

Edition
No 9

Chit

Chat



The



...It's over to you!

A "heart" felt thanks to all involved in making the beautiful bunting in the marquee, it is a sight to behold!!



So after 16 weeks of distance learning and nine editions of The Chit Chat, we are nearing the end of the term and the school year! This is traditionally a time to look back and to think ahead to the next chapters in our individual and collective stories.

One of the highlights for us personally has been how, through The Chit Chat, we have been able to see and hear about all the wonderful things you have been doing during this time. It has really made us all feel together, so from everyone involved in The Chit Chat, we'd like to say a humongous THANKYOU to everyone involved in some way. Without you, there would be no Chit Chat!

This final edition of the school year is another jam packed, bumper edition of fun and loveliness all about YOU, and to keep you going throughout the

holidays we're spoiling you with not one, but two "In the Spotlights" and more jokes than we've ever had before!

We couldn't think of a better way to start this edition than with a note from our current Head Boy and Head Girl, Jamie Walters and Savannah Lyall who, like the rest of Year 6, are moving on to their new schools at the end of term. So read on to hear about their reflections of their time at St Mary's and how it has ended in a way that none of us could have ever predicted back in September! So there's nothing more to be said but we wish you and your families a wonderful summer, have fun and most importantly stay safe!

"We've had a wonderful time at St Mary's and we are very fortunate to have been chosen as Head Boy and Head Girl. Neither of us thought we would be ending our time at primary school in a "bubble" or a class of 13! We think homeschooling with Google Classroom has given us a new perspective about the ways in which we can learn and appreciate our teachers for everything they do for us. We will remember so many things about St Mary's: trips, sports, teachers, but most of all, making friends. St Mary's has been an incredibly important time in our lives and we will miss everyone and everything! Our Year 6 survived lockdown. Next year's Year 6 will have their own challenges too."



Can you work out who our mysterious highflying person is this week?
The answer is on p7



News from our Correspondents



Penny's loving being back on her pony

I have really missed riding in lock down. I used to go every week but I am so lucky now that I am able to start them up again.

Doing my lesson on my own and not in a group because of covid, means I have to work so much harder but I am loving it.

I love to do rising trot and canter, I've also been learning light seat which is what you do to go over jumps.

This is one of my favourite Pony's to ride Tinkerbelle—she likes to think she's a race horse.

Pony Fact !! Pony's can't vomit!

By Penny Lane in Whales Class



William Shackleton's Cake in a Mug

Last week at Cubs we made a really yummy cupcake ... not any old cupcake it was a cake in a cup. It was really easy to do and took just two minutes in the microwave. The ingredients as follows:

1. 4 tbsp self-raising flower
2. 4 tbsp of caster sugar
3. 2 tbsp of cocoa powder
4. 1 medium egg
5. 3 tbsp milk
6. 3 tbsp vegetable oil or sunflower oil
7. A few drops of vanilla essence or other essence (orange or peppermint works well) (optional)
8. 2 tbsp chocolate chips or raisins (optional)
9. Your cake will need to go in the microwave for 2 minutes
10. It will start to rise which is really good

In addition, you will need:

- A large mug (bigger the better)
- Spoon (to measure a table spoon or similar)
- Microwave

Yum!



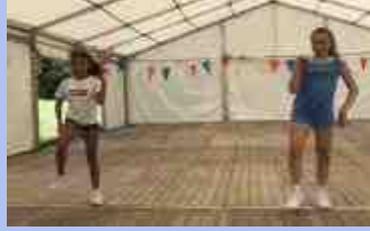
Method

1. Mix together the ingredients once everything is in the cup
2. Cook in the microwave for 2 minutes (with an adult to help get it out as it will be hot!)
3. Best to serve with ice cream because it can be very rich
4. Mine was huge so I cut it into 4 and shared with my family

So that is my recipe hope you like the cake

What amazing talents we have in our school! Well done to everyone who helped make our **Tandridge Talent Tornado** such a wonderful celebration of how amazing you all are!





Photography Club News

Over the last few weeks we have been taking part in a photography treasure hunt and photography rainbow challenge.

Ashley Cumming



May Allgood



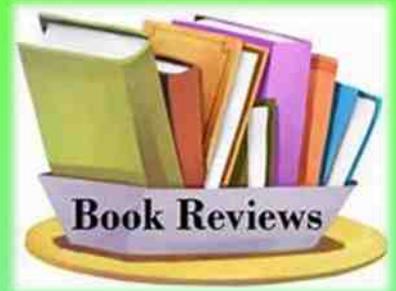
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Would you like to review a book, film or game?

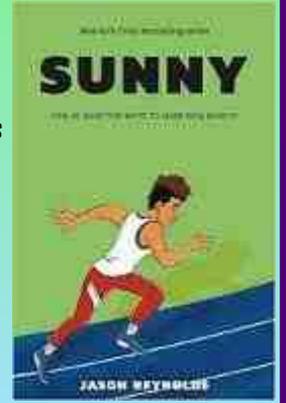
Send us your write-up and a pic to Newsletter@stmarysprimary.org

Don't forget to include your name and your class!



Sunny by Jason Reynolds

Sunny tells the story of a boy who is on an elite running team. He wins all his races and is loved by his team mates, his coach and by his dad who, enthusiastically, attends all Sunny's running meets. Sunny's mum was a runner before she died and Sunny running helps his dad feel closer to her. Trouble is, Sunny doesn't want to run anymore. He wants to do something else instead but he is worried that people won't understand and will be disappointed in him. This is an excellent book with an engaging writing style that will grip you and keep you hooked as you follow Sunny on his journey to open up to his dad and follow his own dreams whilst keeping his friendships with his team mates. I loved the character of Sunny, he was kind and emotionally mature beyond his years - best of all, this book is one of a series of 4, with each book focusing on a different member of the running team. Give it a go!



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JOKE CORNER

We asked St Mary's grown ups for their favourite jokes -here's what they came up with....



Mrs Brown



What do you call a deer with no eyes?

No eye deer!



Mr Skilton

LOL

Did you hear about the dog that swallowed a load of Scrabble tiles? He kept on leaving little messages all over the house!



Mrs Slimming

Why did the tomato blush?

Because it saw the salad dressing!

Why is there no aspirin in the jungle?

Because the Parrots-eat-em-all



Mrs Bailey

How does Harry Potter get rid of a rash?

Quit - itch!

Why is Mad Eye Moody such a bad professor?

Because he can't control his pupils?

On a scale of 1-10, how obsessed with Harry Potter am I? About 9 3/4s!

Did you hear about the man who bought a paper shop?

It blew away.

What's yellow and dangerous?

Shark infested custard.

Why did the boy take a pencil to bed?

So he could draw the curtains.



Mrs Church

Doctor, Doctor, I feel like a strawberry. I'll give you some cream for that!

Did you hear about the explosion in the cheese factory? There was "de Brie" everywhere!!!



Mrs Quick



Mrs White

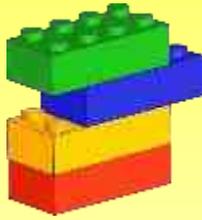
Boredom BUSTERS

Don't let boredom take over at home! Here's some inspiring ideas from St Mary's children...whether it's high-tec, or getting out the mixing bowl for some baking...there's always something to do!

Erica Barlett (Whales) has made an amazing Lego Mansion



Erica says, 'This is my Lego mansion. It took me 4 days to complete. My favourite part is the bedroom because it is very light and has a luxury balcony with big windows. The mansion also includes – a laundry Room, bedrooms, bathrooms, a sitting room with a giant flat screen and a garden with a bird house, bee hive and brewery. The owner of the Mansion has a propeller hat and jet shoes.'



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ARTIST IN (HIS OWN) RESIDENCE!

Finlay Kirven from Whales Class created his own art show. He painted some cardboard frames and did five new drawings for the show. He chose to put two of his art class paintings and also his African mask into his exhibition too.



Very impressive
Finlay!!





Our hidden teacher was Miss Wylie. Check out her Spotlight on the back page



Well done to Luke (Whales Class) and Jessica Allen as well as their friends and families who took part in this video in support of the Memory Walk to raise money for the Alzheimer's Society. Check out the finished result at this link:

<https://classroom.google.com/c/NjI4MTUxMDM2MTda>

SAM CHURCH FROM 5S IS VERY PROUD OF HIS DOT-TO-DOT SNAKE— AND RIGHTLY SO! IT MUST HAVE TAKE YOU HOURSSSSSSSSS



Lottie Whitehead from 3R has thoroughly enjoyed drawing A LOT over lockdown!! This is what she says about her drawings:

"I absolutely love drawing these cute girls and boys from the You Tube channel, Draw So Cute. They are colourful and fun and because the videos tell you what parts to draw and in what order, it has really improved my drawing skills. There are all sorts of things you can learn to draw. Here are some of my favourite characters!"

Mrs Cope and Miss Wylie are...

In the Spotlight

What's your favourite hobby?

Dancing, listening to music, reading and singing, lots!!



What's your favourite hobby?

Dancing!



If you had a superpower what would it be?

I'd like to be able to read people's minds so I know what they really think of me.

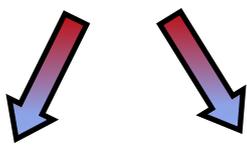


If you had a superpower what would it be?

Flying! I would love to be able to fly, I think that would be so cool!



Craziest thing you've ever done?



I abseiled down an eleven storey building for charity. I've also trained twice to do a parachute jump, but the weather each time has been too bad to do it!!



I went paragliding in Switzerland when I was twelve years old. We had to run straight down a mountain and then the wind caught the parachute and lifted us up. It was scary but very fun and the views were amazing.



Mrs Cope, what would you do with a million pounds?

Buy a new house, some pets, treat my family and give some to charity.



Miss Wylie isn't one for sitting around and relaxing.....



Miss Wylie, what would you do with a million pounds?

I would buy my family their dream houses

Fish and Chips or Sausage and Mash

YouTube or Netflix

Rock or Pop

Milk Chocolate or Dark Chocolate

Curry or Chinese

Snow or Sun

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DECISION TIME



Q. Who's this in the background?

A. It's Mrs Bowles, Mrs Woodward and Mrs Gautrey!