

# Dewhurst St Mary Newsletter



Monday 5th February 2024

'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16

## Dates for your diaries

### Safer Internet Day 6<sup>th</sup> Feb

Half term holiday: 19 Feb - 23 Feb 2024

**World Book Day Thurs 7<sup>th</sup> March** -PJ's and a favourite book to share

SEN Consultations Mon 18<sup>th</sup> - Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> March

Parent Consultation Evenings: Tue 26<sup>th</sup> or

Weds 27<sup>th</sup> March

Palm Service Tues 26<sup>th</sup> March

Break up Thurs 28<sup>th</sup> March 1.30pm

Easter holiday: 29 March - 12 April 2024

**OCCASIONAL DAY Fri 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024**

**BANK HOLIDAY Mon 6<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

Yr 6 SATS Mon 13<sup>th</sup> - Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Half term holiday: 27 May - 31 May 2024

Yr4 - Multiplication Check-June

Yr1 - Phonics screening week beg 10<sup>th</sup> June

Transition day Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> July

Break up for Summer: Fri 19th July 1.30pm

School Year 2024/25

INSET DAY Mon 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept 2024

**First day back for pupils Tue 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2024**

**Half term holiday : 28<sup>th</sup> Oct-1<sup>st</sup> Nov 2024**

INSET DAY -Fri 6<sup>th</sup> Dec

**Christmas holiday: 23<sup>rd</sup> Dec -3<sup>rd</sup> Jan 2025**

**Half term holiday: 17 Feb - 21 Feb 2025**

**Easter holiday: 7 - 21 April 2025**

**Half term holiday: 26 May 2025 - 30 May**

**Break up last day: 1.30pm 18th July 2025**

INSET 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2025

Start school Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> Sept 2025

Hertfordshire Term Dates

## Inspiring all to 'Dream, Believe, Achieve'

### O2-Young Voices

Well done to our choir who took part in 'Young Voices' at the O2 where lots of choirs from other schools all joined together to perform to their families. A late night but what an experience! Thank you to staff for organising this.

### World Book Day - Thursday 7th March 2024

World Book Day is designed to promote reading for pleasure and to help develop a love of reading. Our theme for this year's World Book Day is 'Cozy up with a book'. Instead of fancy dress, we would like to invite children and staff to come to school wearing their 'cozy' pyjamas or onsie. During the day they will be paired up with another child in the school to share a story and 'cozy up with a book'.

Following the success of last years pre-loved book sale, FODs will be running this again after school on the day and will be shortly asking for donations of books. There will be other events planned for the day but wanted to let you know in advance of the theme and to let you know that you will not need costumes this year. Further information will be shared in the coming weeks.

### Family assemblies this term 2.45pm

**This week: Year 2 Fri 9<sup>th</sup> Feb**

Year 4 Fri 16<sup>th</sup> Feb

Year 3 Fri 1<sup>st</sup> March

Year 5 Fri 8<sup>th</sup> March

Year 6 Fri 15<sup>th</sup> March

Reception Thurs 21<sup>st</sup> March

**Fri 22<sup>nd</sup> March Maths Day -TTRS- Rock stars !!!!**

**REMINDERS- Please check all uniform and water bottles are labelled  
PLEASE KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE- DO NOT DRIVE DOWN THE LANE**

## 'Let your light shine' Matthew 5:16

Our School Value;



### Deuteronomy 31.6:

Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

### 2 Timothy 1.7:

For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid but gives us power, love and self-discipline.

### Reading books

Well done to all the children who are prioritising their daily reading at home and remembering to bring their book in each day. Although we teach the skill to read fluently and confidently at school, without having the opportunity to practise this daily this is unable to be consolidated and progress is hindered.

**Remember we also have our after-school library available each Monday run by Mrs Davis, our year 6 teacher. This runs from 3.25-3.45**

### Absence

If you are reporting absence please e-mail our attendance email before 9am to [attendance@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@dewhurst.herts.sch.uk) this will go straight to Mrs Dove, our attendance officer. If we have not heard from you we will make contact to rule out a safeguarding concern. Please also remember to cancel their chosen meal before 8am to avoid a charge.