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Dear Parents and Carers

As you know King Charles' Coronation is fast approaching, and this newsletter is largely Coronation themed!

Our collective worship this half term is linked to Courage and advocating for those who need it, identifying social issues in our locality and further afield and thinking about actionable steps we can take to support. We will be taking this part of our focus into next half term too. Coincidentally, the theme of the Coronation is linked to this idea of making a positive contribution to the community!

To mark the King's Coronation, thousands of organisations across the country are getting together to give people the chance to help out in their own local communities.

Starting on Monday 8th May there will be opportunities for anyone who'd like to, to join in. The Big Help Out!

No matter what you are good at, there'll be something to suit helping hands of all shapes and sizes! From checking in on someone who'd like a bit of company or volunteering for a charity the more of us who join in, the bigger help we will be.



***Help to do something amazing. Join in, Lend a hand. Make a change.***

Click [here](#) to access the free app and see what opportunities are out there for you! It could be as little as finding which Tesco store supports Fare Share to reduce food waste – could you spare a few items to donate?

### **Do you own a business?**

Does your business want to help create a more sustainable and equitable world?



While tons of business waste goes to landfill, local charities are struggling to deliver the services your community needs. Every year, tons of unwanted business items go to landfill.

According to a recent study, approximately 1.2 million desks and 1.6 million office chairs end up in landfill each year. The study couldn't count the amount of IT equipment, branded merchandise, surplus products and other items that also go to landfill, but if it could, we're sure the number would be heart breaking.

[Take a look here](#) at how your business could support charities by distributing what you don't need!

## What are we up to in school? See if you can spot the theme...! 👑

- 👑 YR children will be creating Union Jack flags to use for their celebrations this weekend (whilst wearing their Coronation crowns). 👑
- 👑 Y1 will be having a celebration in class, learning about features of the Coronation service and having some fun to music! (whilst wearing their Coronation crowns). 👑
- 👑 Y2 are going to make their own version of the new King Charles Stamp, using a profile of King Charles and collages of colourful paper (whilst wearing their Coronation crowns). 👑 This ties in beautifully with their visit to the Postal Museum and history unit of work.
- 👑 Y3 have already been learning about what will happen during the coronation ceremony including talking about the history of the coronation services and Westminster Abbey. They have already made links to how the other planned events for the weekend link with volunteering and community building. Y3 also explored the coronation anthem 'Zadok the Priest' and discussed the way the conductor signals the orchestra and singers to vary the dynamics of the music. (They will be wearing their Coronation crowns too!) 👑
- 👑 Y4 will be learning about the King's crown and the symbolism of the jewels placed in it. They will be getting creative and creating their own careful observational drawings of the King's crown (whilst wearing their Coronation crowns). 👑
- 👑 Y5 will be making beautiful bunting to decorate the classroom along with doing some collaborative coronation themed creative activities (whilst wearing their Coronation crowns). 👑
- 👑 Y6 will be having a post SATs and Coronation celebration on the afternoon of Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May. The children will be having some party snacks and drinks along with some music, dancing and merriment (whilst wearing their Coronation crowns). 👑

### A Coronation gift for the children:

To mark the momentous occasion, the Governing Body of St. Mary's school have generously bought a commemorative pin badge for every child. The children will come home with them by the end of this week; please support them to look after this special item. They could wear it on a school jumper, coat, a school bag for example.



### Our Coronation Song:

We will be proudly performing a special Coronation song on May Day for you all. The children have already been working hard, rehearsing this so that their performance will be fit for a king!

### News from St Mary's Church:

On Sunday at St Mary's Church the congregation will be planting a special commemorative tree, and everyone will sow wild flower seeds to bring colour and new life to the churchyard in honour of the coronation!

Save the date for a super children's party at St Mary's Church on 16th May. As Christian Aid's aim is to raise

funds for farmer planting pigeon peas in Malawi, there's a green theme to the party: if you'd like to, dress in green or as a superhero!



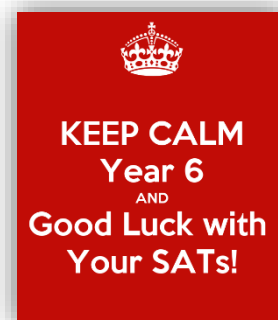


**Do you have a child with Special Education Needs or is your child eligible for free school meals?**

If so, here is a lovely opportunity to get involved in a great project running at Grow Farm based at The Totteridge Academy. Click on the flyer to find out more.

**Do you qualify for free school meals? Enter your details [here](#) to check.**

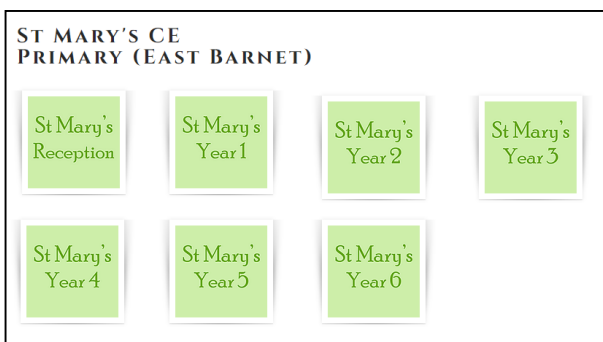
**Wishing Year 6 all the very best of luck for their SATs next week! We know how very hard you have all worked and that you'll do really well.**



### Book Donations:

Our Amazon Wish List can be accessed [here](#). We continue to add new books all the time. **If your child has a birthday coming up, donating a book might be a lovely way to celebrate!**

If parents would like to donate a book via Amazon, and they leave us a message on the page, then we will include a sticker inside the book to note who has made the donation.



As an alternative to the Amazon wish list, we have also worked with the Children's Book Shop in Muswell Hill to create a collection of St Mary's class wish lists:

<https://www.childrensbookshoplondon.com/wishlists>.

Once purchases are made, The Children's Bookshop will send books to school once a week for free, labelled with the child's name and class, but parents are also welcome to go into the shop and browse if they'd rather and take it with them immediately

A reminder that if you'd like to donate an item from our playground equipment wish list [can be accessed here](#). As the weather is getting better, the children would really appreciate some new and exciting addition to their playground boxes. Thank you in advance!

### Coming up this half term:

- Non uniform day – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May
- Bank Holiday – 8<sup>th</sup> May
- Y6 SATs week - 8<sup>th</sup> May
- May Day – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

***From all of us at St Mary's, stay safe, stay well and our love and prayers are with you as always.***

***Enjoy the Bank Holiday weekend!***

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