

**IMPORTANT DATES/TASKS THIS WEEK:**

- For Swimming this week, all pupils in Y4 will require additional shorts and t-shirt as part of water safety week.
- Y3 trip to Durham Museum of Archaeology on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November (reminder: pupils should come to school in school uniform and require packed lunch; the class should be back for end of school day).
- Y5 trip to Jarrow Hall Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November (reminder: pupils should come to school in warm, waterproof own clothing and sensible outdoor footwear and require a packed lunch; the class should be back before the end of the school day).
- There will be a meeting for parents of pupils in Y4 regarding Sacramental Preparation in school at 4:30pm on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November.
- We require volunteers for the following:
  - Y2 trip to the Library on 8.11.23 (am)
  - Y1 trip to the Library on 15.11.23 (am)
  - Reception Class trip to the Library on 22.11.23 (am)
  - Reception and Y1 trip to Seven Stories on 24.11.23 (all day)

Please contact the school office on [info@stmw.bwcet.com](mailto:info@stmw.bwcet.com) if you would be able to help out on these days. *If you have already provided your availability for volunteering with trips, you do not need to get in touch again.*

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**SCHOOL UPDATES & REMINDERS****REMINDER – SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION 2023/24:**

There will be a meeting at school at 4:30pm on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November for parents/carers who are interested in their child receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion at St Mary's RC Church, Whickham during the 2023/24 academic year. Pupils must be from Y4 (or above) and be baptised Catholic (or with an intention to be). Pupils should not attend this initial meeting. Please get in touch with Mr Wheatley if you have any questions in advance of the meeting.

**LIFE TO THE FULL:**

During w/b 13.11.23, pupils across school will be completing their first unit from *Life to the Full* – our school's chosen curriculum to support the teaching of Relationships and Health Education.

Please read the attached letter with more detailed information about the programme and how it is delivered in school.

As a shortcut, the following important links will give a more detailed view of the programme for parents:

- *Life to the Full* parent portal <https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-portal/>
- *Life to the Full* parents' consultation programme <https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/courses/parent-consultation-tool-primary/>

**REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY:**

Pupils are invited to represent the school at the annual Remembrance Sunday parade and service in Whickham on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November. Pupils will be required to meet in Whickham for 10:15am, and the parade and service should last no longer than 1 hour. Parents/carers should be in attendance but are not

allowed to form part of the parade, so pupils must be happy to stay under the supervision of school staff for the duration of the event (please take this into consideration). Please email [info@stmw.bwcet.com](mailto:info@stmw.bwcet.com) if your child is willing and able to participate in the event.

**REMINDER – SCHOOL UNIFORM SUPPLIER:**

School uniform can be ordered from our new supplier, Salto UK, who can be contacted at:

Salto UK Limited  
Unit 3D Princess Court  
Princess Way,  
Prudhoe,  
Northumberland  
NE42 6PL

Website: [www.saltouk.com](http://www.saltouk.com)  
Contact Telephone: 01661 835240  
Email: [enquiries@saltouk.com](mailto:enquiries@saltouk.com)

Opening Times:  
Monday-Friday 9:00am–5:00pm  
Saturday 9:00am-1:00pm  
Closed Sundays and Bank Holidays

