



NEWSLETTER ONE: 7th September 2012

St Mary's CE Primary School
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Dear Parents

Welcome back

Welcome back to a brand new academic year. We are very pleased to welcome not only our new Reception children, but children throughout the school. The middle site is up and running; children and staff are settling in well. I am particularly grateful to those governors and staff who have work tirelessly to ensure the middle site was ready for opening in September.

I will be inviting all parents to look around the new site later in the term. Emily Price is our new Admin Officer at the middle site and will be working there full time.

Parents of children on the middle site; please note the gate will not be opened until 8.30 am each day. Children can come into school from 8.35 onwards and go straight into their classrooms. Please note parents are responsible for bringing their child to the appropriate Yr2/Yr3 doors. No bikes or scooters are to be ridden when on site. Thank you for your co-operation.

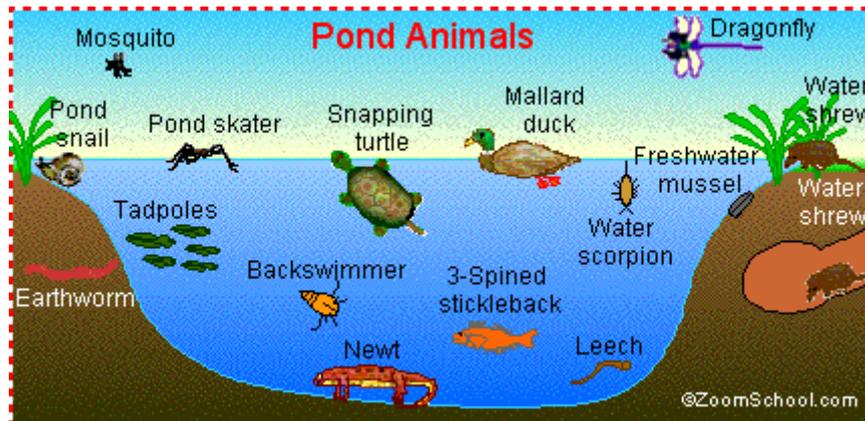
If you are able to help in school, either on a regular or ad hoc basis, please speak to your class teacher.

SMSAs needed at the middle site

The middle site is **urgently** looking for SMSAs to help over the lunchtime period. If anyone is interested, please contact Beti Wyn Thomas at the middle site on 020 8249 6863. SMSAs help manage the hall, oversee the children while they eat, ensure the safety of the play areas and provide basic first aid. They will need to be on site between 12 - 1.15pm. We also need additional SMSAs on the other two sites.

Pond area at junior site

We have been very fortunate to have both hard labour and financial support from FoSM to make the pond area at the junior site accessible for all the children. In addition, thanks to Mrs Morris (mother of Fionn in 5B), who works for Shell, we had a whole army of volunteers yesterday working on the pond area. It looks amazing and is now ready for the children to use. I would like to thank both FoSM for their support and Mrs Morris for arranging for us to benefit from Shell's voluntary scheme.



ParentMail

All our records/details have been upgraded over the summer holiday. If your details have changed, please ensure you log onto ParentMail and update your information; otherwise you will miss important information sent out by the school. If you are having problems or need to be re-registered, please contact Jane Tomlinson at the junior site (info@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk or 8892 7849).

Contact Sheets/Integris

As with ParentMail it is the responsibility of parents to keep this information up to date so we are able to contact you if we need to. If your address, telephone numbers, emergency contact numbers etc have changed, please let us know immediately, using the info@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk email address. Thank you.

Medicines in School

If your child/ren needs medicine (inhalers, Epipens etc) in school, please complete a pink medicine form and send into school as soon as possible. All medicines must be named and be in their original packaging. Please be aware we cannot administer pain killers or antibiotics. Thank you.

School run clubs

Letters regarding school run clubs will come home via your child (we will also send an email to parents) by the end of this week or early next week. We will endeavour to include as many year groups as possible but logistically it will be challenging to move children between sites. For example, in order to run a football club for children in Year 3, we will need parental help to walk the children back to the middle site from the junior site. If you are able to help walk children between sites on a regular basis, please let Jane Tomlinson know either via email: jtomlinson@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk or phone 0208 892 7849. Thank you for your support.

Walking Bus scheme

We urgently need parent helpers to walk with children on the Walking Bus scheme. If you are able to help, please contact Penny Grant at the infant site: 0208 892 5840 or email her at pgrant@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk. Thank you.



Scratch Orchestra for parents: message from Tim Elliott

Holidays are over for me so I need some fun to cheer me up!
Therefore I'm pleased to say the next meet of the Scratch is now fixed

The next event is now fixed as follows. Date: Monday 1st October, from 8pm-10pm
Venue: Oak Hall, St Stephens Church, East Twickenham (same venue as last 2 meet).

Please let me know now if you think you can and want to come (or if not whether you would like to be included on future mailings)

As a reminder this is ad hoc for fun, for adults and pretty flexible on standard (maybe about grade 5 minimum as a rough guide). You bring instrument, music stand and a few £ to cover cost of venue only. Daniel Meyer (who plays violin for BBC symphony orchestra) kindly conducts us and makes the event as fun and musical as possible.

As an optional extra please feel free to come for chat and drink (in local pub) after the music. This is a relaxed event BUT it does make it hard to get appropriate music if the expected instruments don't show up. So if you say "yes" please give your best endeavours to get date in diary/fix babysitter/avoid work commitments.

I know a few of you told me that you could not make 1 October when it was provisional - if you could reply to this that would help.

Where there may be more potential players than spaces (woodwind) I'll give first slots to "regulars" and then call on others as needed. Generally there is space so please invite other potential players (just check in with me before they come).

Best wishes Tim (Bassoon & Fixer) 07976 532 756

Polite reminders

Please ensure your child/ren has the correct uniform, PE kit and proper shoes for school. Hair, if long, should be tied back. We are NUT FREE school; please don't send your child/ren to school with products containing nuts.

If your child is on a course of antibiotics, has had diarrhoea or vomiting s/he should not return to school until 48 hours after starting a course of antibiotics or their symptoms have stopped. Please adhere to this common sense rule as it prevents everyone else being infected.

Yours sincerely



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