



**ST MARY'S NEWS**  
22<sup>nd</sup> April 2016

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**From our Acting Headteacher, Tom Holmes**

Dear Parents,

Welcome to the new term and our new fortnightly newsletter. We have had a busy start to the term with two fantastic trips; Year 1 to Painshill Park, two children from each class in Years 3 - 6 visiting 10 Downing Street and Sycamores (Year 3) class assembly today when we learned lots about the Romans.

Friday afternoon creativity started today, the theme being "The Jungle Book" across all three sites. This is our production for Years 5 and 6 week commencing 11th July.

Lots of varied and interesting activities are already planned for the summer term including school trips, visitors to the school, sports day, house competitions and many class assemblies.

We have also rearranged our whole school photograph for Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> May. Details to follow.

This newsletter is available on our website. Please follow us on Twitter (@twickstmarys). The website has a news feed on the home page and since the beginning of this term there have been articles about class assemblies, trips, writing achievements and sports events. We will continue to use School Communicator as a way of sending you letters and giving you instant updates via "alerts". Please ensure you have ticked your child's class and year group in your account settings so you can access information in "Resources".

I hope the weekly emails from the class teachers are useful and allowing you to support your child's learning in English and maths.

Have a great weekend. You can contact me directly at [headteacher@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:headteacher@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk)

**Governing body news**

The governing body are looking for a new parent governor. Please see email sent to parents today with all information.

[governors@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:governors@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk)

## A message from Father Piotr

Dear Parents

I hope you all had a nice Easter break and enjoyed a bit of sun. We are back with the Collective Worship and this term we will be learning about our local Masters of Prayer... First, I hoped to invite some famous people who are the pillars of spirituality, BUT as we are so privileged living in Twickenham, our chosen Masters are: the local river Thames, the birds of the sky, trees in spring and flowers... With children on all three sides we try to look at what is well known to us and discover a hidden and spiritual dimension in these features. Do you want to know more? Ask your children.

May I take this opportunity and invite you to our Celebration of Life service (3<sup>rd</sup> May at 10am, St Mary's Church) and Messy Church (20 May from 15.15-16.45 with the theme: "You are precious in my eyes"). If you wish to know more please drop me a line.

With my kind regards

Fr. Piotr

*Revd Dr Piotr Ashwin-Siejkowski*

Assistant Priest/School Chaplain St Mary's Twickenham

<http://st-marys.richmond.sch.uk/our-school-film/>

see the place where **heaven** touches **the earth**:

<http://www.metooandco.org.uk/>

## St Mary's walking bus, September 2016

There is a parent-run walking bus that takes a small group of children each morning from the Infants (leaving at 8.30), via the middle site, to juniors (arriving by 9.00). In order for your child to join every day, you will need to undertake one of the walks each week. It's been particularly helpful for working parents who struggle to make the later drop-off at the junior site every day or those who use the Asquith Breakfast Club (as they don't deliver children to the middle or junior sites). Numbers are limited so if you are interested in using the bus from September, please email [marilia@waitrose.com](mailto:marilia@waitrose.com) as soon as possible. We may also be able to accommodate you this term.

w/c 11.4.16	Best attendance	Best punctuality	HOUSE POINTS		
Year 3	99.01%	Year 6 (4.4% Lates)	Attenborough	Green	317
Year 1	98.71%	Year 5 (6.6% Lates)	Farah	Yellow	304
Year 5	98.40%	Year 1 (7.5% Lates)	Twining	Red	322
Year 6	98.31%	Year 2 (7.7% Lates)	Walpole	Blue	290
Year 4	98.20%	Year 4 (10% Lates)			
Year 2	97.98%	Reception (11% Lates)			
Reception	97.36%	Year 3 (17.7% Lates)			

**Whole School attendance: 98.29%**

#### Weekly diary for w/c 25<sup>th</sup> April & w/c 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2016

**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April:** School run clubs start, Year 2 cake sale

**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April:** Reception Robins assembly (link class 6P)

**Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May:** BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May:** Celebration of Life service, 10am, St Mary's Church, everyone welcome

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May:** Year 3 to St Alban's Cathedral

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May:** Year 2 to Richmond Synagogue

#### Local news

Bushy Park Girls cricket are looking for new players, aged 8 +. No experience necessary.  
<http://www.teddingtoncc.co.uk/bushy-park-girls/>

Hampton & Richmond borough football club are playing Enfield Town tomorrow, Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April. Kickoff is at 3pm (gates open at 1pm). Adults £10, under 16's £2 and concessions £6. Beveree Stadium, Beaver Close Hampton.

Action on Hearing loss, "Ramble round Richmond" on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> May. Join a 7.4 mile walk to celebrate Deaf Awareness week. Families welcome. For more information go to [www.actionhearingloss.org.uk/richmondhike](http://www.actionhearingloss.org.uk/richmondhike) or 0207 296 8039