



ST MARY'S NEWS
20th May 2016

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From our Acting Headteacher, Tom Holmes

Dear Parents,

We have had another incredibly busy two weeks and with just one more week to go until half term, time is going by incredibly quickly. Years 2 and 6 have been doing their SATs and Years 3 to 5 their optional SATs in the last two weeks; Year 2 still have one more paper to do next week. All children have worked to the best of their ability and disruption to normal school life has been minimal.

A fantastic variety of school trips has taken place since the last newsletter, including visits to the Houses of Parliament, the Orange tree theatre (plus workshop), Orleans House gallery, Twickenham apiary and in school themed days, such as Florence Nightingale in Year 2.

The whole school photograph went very smoothly on Thursday, with staff sorting themselves into height order more problematic than the children!

The building work for the 9th and 10th classrooms on the junior site is well under way and we hope they will be ready by September 2016.

I hope those who are going to the Twickenham 7s over the weekend have a great time; over 600 tickets were given to the school by the RFU.

Have a great weekend. You can contact me directly at headteacher@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk.

Charity news

CHARITY EVENT ALERT: Friday 27th MAY 2016

Dear Parents

Thank you so much for helping to support our charities so far this year. We are very grateful for your generous donations to Water Aid, the Poppy Appeal and Macmillan Cancer Research.

This term, we would like to support the "Make a Wish" foundation. We would like to help the charity grant wishes for children suffering from life-threatening illnesses in the UK. On **Friday 27th May**, each site will be making a coin trail in their respective playgrounds to spell out one of the St Mary's school values (IS: **LOVE**, MS: **HOPE**, JS: **COMPASSION**). To help support this worthwhile cause, we are asking for every child brings in at least £1, in any coin denominations, to help us to write the words and make some children's dreams into a reality. Thank you very much in advance for your generosity and support. <https://www.make-a-wish.org.uk/wishes/stories?&&page=1>

Annabel Gurdenli, Reception Robins class teacher and Charities coordinator

w/c 25.4.16	% attendance	No of Lates	HOUSE POINTS		
Reception	96.54	10	Attenborough	Green	453
Year 1	97.98	12	Farah	Yellow	418
Year 2	98.90	6	Twining	Red	452
Year 3	97.86	9	Walpole	Blue	445
Year 4	98.60	10			
Year 5	97.06	1			
Year 6	98.19	5			

Whole School attendance: 97.92%

Weekly diary for w/c 23rd May & w/c 6th June 2016

Monday 23rd May, Yr 3 cake sale

Tuesday 24th May, 6T to Houses of Parliament, Yr 5 to Orange Tree Theatre

Wednesday 25th May, Science day, IS & JS, 6W to Houses of Parliament

Thursday 26th May, Yr 6 Greek day, 1 Kingfishers assembly (link class 2 Oaks)

Friday 27th May, Age UK coin trail morning, 3 Elms assembly (link class 1 Owls)

Monday 30th May, HALF TERM

Monday 6th June, INSET DAY

Wednesday 8th June, Borough sports, Yrs 3 & 4 Orange tree theatre workshops (school hall), Class photos IS

Thursday 9th June, Class photos MS, JS

Friday 10th June, 2 Oaks assembly (link class 1K), Yr 3 Orange tree theatre workshop (in school)

Saturday 11th June, FoSM summer fair, MS 11.00am – 3.00pm

As advised via email on 9th May 2016 our planned inset day of 31st March 2017 has been changed to Tuesday 18th April 2017. Our first day of the summer term will now, therefore, be Wednesday 19th April 2017.

A new “before and after” school club is coming in September 2016

From September, a new, independent childcare solution company '**Daisy Roots**' will be offering St Mary's children a before and after school club based on our middle site. This Ofsted registered company, spearheaded by a previous St Mary's parent will be providing care exclusively to us at St Mary's. With only 30 places, it is likely to be in strong demand and although operating from the school, all communications and enquiries should be made directly to Lauren Reeson of Daisy Roots at www.daisyrootstwickenham.co.uk

Local news

Drumsense Drum camp 25th July – 28th July 2016, 10 – 4pm, MS. For further details please contact Colin Woolway 07768 065295 or John Park 07525 836842

Six week fitness programmes at Feel Good Fitness centres

Get your six week fitness programme at one of our Feel Good Fitness sites now. Call us on 020 3772 2999 for more information or visit www.richmond.gov.uk/fgf

FREE STREET DANCE CLASSES AT ST MARY'S Studio K are now offering Street Dance classes for ages 6 to 10 at the middle site every Thursday from 4:45-5:45pm. Your child can try out the class out for FREE on either Thursday 26th May or Thursday 9th June. To book your free class all you need to do is call 02034174070 or email info@studiokdance.co.uk but hurry there are only **10 free** places available so claim yours today. These classes are a great way to learn new skills, build confidence, keep fit and make new friends too. www.studiokdance.co.uk