



## St Mary's Church of England School

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Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Dear Parents,

### Happy Valentine's Day!

Don't forget that school is closed tomorrow for staff training. We are now officially half way through the school year; we wish you a very happy half term break and hope you have some quality family time before it all begins again.

### World Book Day:

We are celebrating WBD on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March rather than Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>. Pupils, parents and staff are invited to join in the fun by coming in dressed as their favourite book character. We welcome those creative home-made ideas, so don't go to any expense.

On Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March Scholastic Book Fair returns to each site at St Mary's, further details will follow after half term.

### Rotary Young Photographer Competition

***Please note that all entries will be collected on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February by the Rotary Club.***

The Rotary Club are inviting children from Years 3-6 to enter this year's Young Photographer Competition. This year the theme is the 'Beauty of Nature'. Applicants are required to produce three photographs based on the theme in colour or black and white printed on photographic paper. Prints submitted should be no larger than A4 in size and each print should be submitted separately (i.e. no collages). Mobile phones may be used. Information and the entry form are available in School Communicator, Resources, category "Rotary Club Young Photographer Competition – in the meantime, get snapping!

### Traffic update:

Anti-idling and traffic officers have powers of enforcement (including fines) from 1<sup>st</sup> March. On a more positive note, parents can sign a pledge not to idle their engines, or can even join volunteer activities to spread the message and help cut local air pollution.

[www.richmond.gov.uk/council/news/press\\_office/campaigns\\_and\\_events/idle\\_free](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/council/news/press_office/campaigns_and_events/idle_free)

### 20mph limit set to go to Scrutiny and Cabinet for approval:

An amended 20mph limit is set to be introduced in Richmond upon Thames, if the Council's Scrutiny Committee, followed by the Cabinet, agree to the amended proposals. This follows a twelve week consultation held last year. This should mean that all roads around St Mary's will be reduced to 20mph speed limit.



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### Delay to the proposed works on the Oak Lane / Amyand Park junction

Owing to the Thames Water closure of Strafford Road, proposed works to the above junction have had to be postponed. Works were due to take place over the break but will now commence later in the year.

### Attendance for this half term

Our whole school attendance for this term is **97.51%**. I met with the Education Welfare Officer today who has informed me she will be contacting parents directly when pupils take holidays in term time.

### House points for this half term

Attenborough = 1171

Farah = 1047

Twining = 900

Woolf = 990

### Sporting update:

What a cracking start to 2019 sport wise!

Our Y3/4 Basketball Team were crowned Borough Champions on Monday at the Richmond Knights Basketball Tournament at Twickenham School. They were undefeated, winning 4 out of 4 games. A fantastic team effort! I would like to give a special mention to Dexter H who, out of every participant, won the 'Most Valuable Player' award.

Ruby B, Edward S, Camilla K and Shimon R competed at the RISE Swimming Gala on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> February. They swam confidently, taking home Gold and Silver medals!

Our Boys Football and Mixed Netball have had mixed results this season but everyone has put in some courageous performances.

The Girl's Football team have played five matches, winning two and drawing three, meaning that they finished second in their league out of six schools. In the tournament the girls won all four of the group matches before being knocked out in the next match on penalties. Our B team have also had a successful season, winning two out of three matches.

Huge congratulations to all our Sports girls and boys, we look forward to sharing more sporting success with you soon!



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## Help Needed

We are looking for some SMSAs to join our lunchtime teams. The main responsibilities of this post will be:

- Supervise the children during the lunch break
- Monitor and manage the children's behaviour in the dining hall and playground
- Deal with accidents and incidents in the dining hall and playground

The ideal candidate must be dependable, with good interpersonal skills - preferably with knowledge of a school setting.

If you would like more information about the role, or to get an application form, please contact Simon Minty on [sminty@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:sminty@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk).

## Hall Hire:

Don't forget our middle site hall can be hired for private functions. If you are interested drop Mr Minty an email to enquire: [sminthy@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk](mailto:sminthy@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk)

## **SATs information meetings for parents in Years 2 and 6**

*Please see below for dates of important up and coming SATs meetings for parents of children in Years 2 and 6.*

### **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February**

INSET DAY

### **Monday 18<sup>th</sup> – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**

HALF TERM

### **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February**

SCHOOL BOOK FAIR WEEK – *information to follow*

### **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February**

*Year 6 to Houses of Parliament*

### **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

*Scholastic Book fair – all sites 14:00 – 16:30*

### **Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March**

*Year 2 SATs meeting for parents 15:30, middle site hall*

### **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March**



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Year 6 SATs meeting for parents 19:00, junior site hall

### Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March

**NO SCHOOL RUN CLUBS THIS WEEK (Parent Teacher consultations)**

WORLD BOOK WEEK

Yea 3 cake sale

### Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Parent Teacher consultations – School finishes ONE hour earlier 16:00 – 19:00

### Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March

Year 1 Nightingales class assembly (link class 4M)

Parent Teacher consultations – School finishes ONE hour earlier 16:00 – 19:00

### Friday 8<sup>th</sup> March- Note the change of our date - nationally WBD is the 7<sup>th</sup>

World Book week, dress up as your favourite book character- all welcome! (whole school)

Yours sincerely,

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