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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER: FRIDAY 16th June 2023, WEEK 2

FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Middle Site Library

Enormous thanks to those who offered to devote time to our middle site library sort out on Monday or Tuesday of next week or for contributing to the library FoSM appeal. This really is an extraordinary community and we are so grateful for your help to repair all that was damaged. The library has been dried out with the aid of dehumidifiers and today it was made safe; redecoration will take a little longer. Next steps will be to see what shelving is salvageable and whether our piano and organ are still working. We will keep you updated as time goes on; we want our children to have full use of it as soon as possible.

Help rebuild our School Library

Please have a look at the attached flyer and Help us win a £1000 to rebuild our School Library #rebuildthelibrary – plus win a £100 National Book Token for yourself!

LDBS

You will know that this year I was seconded to work as an interim Primary Advisor for the London Diocesan Board for Schools working in Kensington and Chelsea. The role has been made permanent which means I will continue to spend some time each week in London from September. In my absence the school is in the very capable hands of Mr Cadman and the St Mary's team.

Road Safety

On two occasions this week, members of the public and school community have informed us of some very dangerous incidents where St Mary's children walking to and from school have almost been hit by a vehicle. Please reinforce a strong message at home to only cross at pedestrian crossings and only when the lights are green to cross – not when flashing green.

Willow Wood

Our Reception, Year 1 and Year 6 children began their Willow Wood journey this week and the teachers enjoyed it as much as the children. Soon we will be letting you know about an opportunity for your child to attend Willow Wood days over the summer break. Keep your eye out for more information to follow.

Attendance

Weekly attendance: w/c 12th June 2023

Well done to Year 4 for reaching 'The Golden Goal' - for the highest attendance and for the least lates this week!

Year group	Lates	Attendance
Reception	6	97.54%
Year 1	4	97.04%
Year 2	5	96.43%
Year 3	5	97.41%
Year 4	2	98.89%
Year 5	3	97.91%
Year 6	3	97.29%
Whole School	28	97.50%

OTHER NEWS

Father's Day Sunday 18th June 2023

This Sunday, Father's Day, our choir and Worship Ambassadors will join Father Jeff at St Mary's Church at 10.00am for an open-air service. It would be lovely to see some of our families there so do join us if you can.

UK Health Security Agency

Please find attached an information sheet from the UK Health Security Agency called "Beat the Heat".

<https://www.nationalbooktokens.com/schools>

Heatham House Youth Centre

Heatham House Youth Centre is a popular spot for children in Years 4-7. A great place to be with friends and take up the many opportunities the centre offer (programme attached). Starting next week on the Junior Site, Dwayne from Heatham House and his team will spend Friday lunchtimes playing and engaging with the children. They will be promoting their junior/transition clubs via playground activities, taking part in games, art/music and chatting with them. The main aim of these sessions is for our children who haven't attended the Heatham House Junior/Transitions Youth Club to meet their staff team and recognise a friendly face if and when their first attend.

Hong Kong parents: transition and SEND workshops

We have two free online workshops this term for Hong Kong parents funded by the Mayor of London and delivered with Kingston BEATS.

Transition: **Thursday 29 June from 5 to 6pm** for Hong Kong parents of Year 4 to 6 pupils. Sign up using [this form](#).

SEND: **Wednesday 5 July, 4 to 5.30** for all Hong Kong parents of pupils with SEND. Sign up [here](#).

FINALLY

FoSM Summer Fair, Saturday 24th June 2023

We hope to see you all at the St Mary's Summer Fair next weekend from 11-3pm at the middle site. Do drop by the staffs' stalls as there are a number this year: games, international foods and the School Council stall as well as the St Mary's Governor sweet jars - not to be missed.

Prayer

Dear God, thank you for the chance to find wisdom in our everyday tasks. We pray especially to be like the wise man and to persevere until we get the best result we can. May wisdom live and grow strong in us. May we all live strong and happy lives on the rocks overlooking the sea just like the wise man did. Amen. *Isla J 6VG*

Yours sincerely



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