

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER: FRIDAY 9th June 2023, WEEK 1

FROM THE HEADTEACHER

I hope you all enjoyed the half term holiday. The term has started well with an exciting variety of hook day activities to start topics off as well as some lovely inter-borough sporting events. Do check out the photos on Twitter - @twickstmarys

Parents of pupils in Year 3 in September 2023 and other parents new to the junior site this year:

Please keep 2.30 – 3pm on **Thursday 15th June** in your diary for a tour of the junior site.

Parent Survey

It is the time of year when we ask you to complete a parent survey to let us know what you think about our school. This is hugely important and informs our school improvement plan so please take a few minutes to complete it thank you. The deadline is noon on Friday 16th June: https://forms.gle/KP7terHhrve58EaD7

Walk to School Day - Wednesday 14th June

On Wednesday next week, we want all our children and families to make a special effort to walk (or scoot/cycle) to school. The majority of children at St Mary's already walk to school and know it is not only good for our health but also helps keep our planet healthy. If you do need to drive, hopefully you can park and stride on this day.

Warm Weather

With the glorious summer weather comes the need to protect ourselves from the potentially dangerous sun. Please ensure your child comes to school with **sun screen applied and a sun hat.** We will remind children to keep hydrated in class.

Attendance

Weekly attendance: w/c 5th June 2023

Well done to Year 5 for reaching 'The Golden Goal'- for the highest attendance and for having no lates this week!

Year group	Lates	Attendance
Reception	4	95.79%
Year 1	7	97.94%
Year 2	6	97.01%
Year 3	2	98.58%
Year 4	1	96.67%
Year 5	0	99.05%
Year 6	3	96.94%
Whole School	23	97.59%

OTHER NEWS

Mathletes' Calculation Videos

Earlier in the year, we shared with you our Mathletes' Progression in Calculation videos for addition and subtraction. These are terrific videos which show parents and carers how maths calculations are learnt at our school in different year groups, often differing to how adults were taught when they were at school. We are delighted to share two further videos: one for

multiplication https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7_i Psd-H-WQ

Choral opportunity

The Wrenathon: A Choral Marathon on Saturday 24th June is all part of the celebrations for the Wren300 Square Mile Churches project. The Wrenathon is a choral marathon, across nine city churches, featuring singers and choirs from eleven community choirs from across the city. Featuring various styles of music and performances throughout the day and finishing at the Ye Olde Watling Pub with a singalong with the London Sea Shanty Collective. This is a free event, and all are welcome to come along for the whole or part of the day.

Some more information on the Square Mile Churches website about the full programme: https://squaremilechurches.co.uk/event/wrenathon-a-vocal-marathon/

Dates/reminders for your diaries:

- Non-uniform day: Friday 16th June in return for a bottle for the summer fair.
- St Mary's Church: Sunday 18th June (Father's Day) at 10.00 - join us at church to hear our choir sing.
- FoSM Summer Fair: Saturday 24th June 1100 - 1500, we look forward to seeing you there
- Friday 23rd June, 0930 1200 KS1 (Yrs 1&2) sports morning, Orleans Park field (parents invited, please access the field via the junior site gate)
- Friday 30th June, 0930 1200 KS2 (Yrs 3-6) sports morning, Orleans Park field (parents invited, please access the field via the junior site gate)
- Friday 7th July, 0920 1050, Reception sports morning, middle site playground. Parents invited, gate opens at 0915.

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Prayer

Dear Lord, thank you for our beautiful world and also for my family and friends. Thank you for the amazing food and for our beautiful nature. Please help us to always work hard and to try our very best. Amen. Sienna H 4C

Yours sincerely

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