

SCHOOL NEWSLETTER: FRIDAY 29th September 2023, WEEK 4

FROM THE HEADTEACHER

ParentView

Thank you to 41 parents who have so far completed the Parentview survey. Here is what the Ofsted Handbook says about gathering evidence:

When making their judgements about a school, inspectors take into account the views of parents and carers expressed through Ofsted Parent View and weigh these against first-hand evidence gathered during the inspection.

It takes no more than 5 minutes to complete, please support us in getting to at least 200 entries. Thank you.

https://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk/

- Paste the link above into your search engine.
- You will be taken to "Welcome to Ofsted Parent View"
- Click on "Give your views now"
- Register or login
- You will then be taken to Give your views, then search for our school.
- Please type this into the search bar: St Mary's CE Primary School Twickenham, Amyand Park Road, TW1 3HE
- We are 7th on the list on the first page and our school is listed as "St Mary's Church of England School".
- Answer the question (Yes or No) underneath the name and address of our school.
- Press "Continue"
- There are 14 pages with multiple choice answers.

A reminder about "Friday Treats"

Only pupils who have packed lunches are permitted to bring in a treat on Friday to eat with their lunch, not during break in the playground; this is because children who have school lunches are given an occasional low sugar cake/treat for pudding and may have fish and chips. Please see the link below with ideas for healthy playtime snacks:

https://st-marys.richmond.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/09/St-Marys-Healthy-Eating-suggestions-2023.pdf

Please note that children who do bring in crisps or chocolate bars for breaktime for example, will not be permitted to eat them; they can of course save them for after school.

Weekly attendance: w/c 25th September 2023

Well done to Year 2 for reaching 'The Golden Goal' - for the highest attendance and to Year 4 for no lates this week!

Year group	Lates	Attendance
Reception	2	96.92%
Year 1	22	94.66%
Year 2	2	99.14%
Year 3	1	97.70%
Year 4	0	99.01%
Year 5	1	97.53%
Year 6	1	96.92%
Whole School	16	97.45%

OTHER NEWS

Willow Wood: requests for help please!

We have purchased a marquee to allow us to remain outside for lessons in the less favourable weather. Kevin is appealing for help next Friday 6th October at 1.30pm to erect it; he believes 4 or 5 helpers are needed.

If you are free to help please let us know by emailing info@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk
Apparently it doesn't involve heavy lifting!

If you happen to be on a walk in a park over the weekend can you please gather as many pine cones as you can carry? Kevin needs them for various activities this year and it seems madness to buy them when they are lying all over the ground; he will be very grateful for your contributions. Thank you to those who sent in spare towels and baking trays last week (3)

FoSM News

Star Bakers!

We're off to an INCREDIBLE start with our Cake & Bake sales with a collective of £471.55 raised across the recent Yr 2 & Yr 1 sales - well done to all of those who helped out either on the day or through contributing the delicious treats!

This year we introduced a 'Star Baker' award for each sale, the winners of which receive a certificate as well as FIVE house points! Congratulations to **Charlotte Stapleton** (Yr 2 Willows) and **Ned Bailey** (Yr 1 - Puffins), we may be coming to you for baking tips!

Year 5 are up next on 6th Oct to we look forward to more star baker news!

Christmas Fair!

Yes, you read that correctly! Whilst Father Christmas & his elves may still have a number of weeks to go, the FoSM elves are elfing away, creating fun & magical plans for our St Mary's Christmas Fair. A day not to be missed! Please save the date, **Saturday 2nd December** from 12 noon – 4pm. As well as being one of our biggest fundraisers of the academic year, it's an event that the children absolutely love & is such a great way to kick off that festive spirit!

Your FoSM team & class reps will be in touch soon with the various ways you can get involved - ho, ho, ho!

SAVE THE DATE: QUIZ AND CURRY NIGHT ON FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER, middle site, Stafford Road!

The legendary St Mary's QUIZ AND CURRY NIGHT is back!

More details to follow but as before it'll be:

- Teams of 8 people
- Tickets are £20 per person including a delicious curry
- Mr Cadman is returning as our wonderful host and Quiz Master
- Ricardo's Bar will be selling drinks and snacks

Parents (and friends) of ALL YEAR groups are very welcome to attend. All money raised from the evening is going to FoSM to help fund all the important, exciting things they provide for the school.

What you need to do:

- Recruit a team of 8 people a great opportunity to mix with other parents
- Choose ONE person per team to request a table from 8pm on Tuesday 10th October (further details will be provided in coming days on this)
- If you want to take part but don't have a table of 8 we'll endeavour to match you up with other parents to create a team

This is always a very popular event and a key fundraiser for the school so for now get organising into your teams of 8, get the babysitters booked for FRIDAY 17th NOVEMBER and watch out on Classlist and in your class WhatsApp groups for further details.

Please join us for a fun evening! Quiz and Curry night team.

FINALLY

Prayer

Dear God, please help us to be kind and helpful to others if they are hurt, sick or they want or need something. I am thankful for my friends, teachers and family for helping and supporting me all along the way. Please guide us when we feel sad or when we need advice. Please help the poor by guiding them in times of need. Amen. *Eric R 5K*

Yours sincerely

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