



St Mary's CE Primary School
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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER: SUNDAY 5th MAY 2024, WEEK 3

FROM THE HEADTEACHER

In our term of "Service", we have been reminding the children about our charity of the year, Connected Planet Foundation, whose goal is to build connections by providing a range of different experiences and opportunities that will not only connect people to the planet, but to themselves and each other. Their work is based predominantly in South Africa and St Mary's children know how, by supporting the charity, they are making a difference to the conservation of wild life living there. Here is a short film about their work.

<https://www.connectedplanetfoundation.com/gallery>

Weekly attendance: w/c 29th April 2024

Well done to Year 2 for reaching 'The Golden Goal' - for the highest attendance and to Reception, Yrs 2, 3 & 6 for the least lates this week

Year group	Lates	Attendance
Reception	2	97.66%
Year 1	18*	96.89%
Year 2	2	98.15%
Year 3	2	97.91%
Year 4	4	97.39%
Year 5	3	96.20%
Year 6	2	96.55%
Whole School	33	97.25%

- Sadly, this is not improving.

OTHER NEWS

FoSM Summer fair update: change of date

SAVE THE DATE we know how busy the diaries can get so please make a note of the amended date for our EAGERLY AWAITED Summer Fair! **Saturday 20th July** - more details to follow in time, though for now, get it blocked out in the family calendar!

The beauty of having it towards the end of term is that we will (hopefully) have lots of sun by then (!) and will also be in touching distance of being in holiday mood!

If anyone would be keen to support the FoSM team in the planning for this, the more the merrier! Please send an email to chair.fosm@googlemail.com

Some housekeeping reminders

Medication:

Please make sure school procedure is followed. We are able to give your child medication (antibiotics, Calpol etc) but it must be handed to the class teacher or school office. This ensures the safety of all the children. If you wish us to give your child medication, please ensure you complete the "Administration of medication" form and email it to your school office (a copy of this form is attached to this email and is also available via our website). Thank you for your support.

<https://st-marys.richmond.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/Medical-conditions-in-school-policy-2024.pdf>

Medical appointments

We ask for a copy of your child/ren's medical appointments for our records – this can be a text message or email. Please remember to share this via your school office

Absence from school:

Our attendance has dropped to **94%** today.

Please do not take your child out of school or make travel arrangements without asking permission first. We have an absence request form which you should complete and return to me via headteacher@st-marys.richmond.sch.uk.

Our Attendance & Punctuality policy is below and the word document is available to download underneath this policy:

<https://st-marys.richmond.sch.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Attendance-and-Punctuality-policy-2022-23.doc.pdf>

Thank you for your support.

Socks

Stevensons have run out of socks but I understand that School Days have plenty and they are cheaper!

FINALLY

Prayer

Dear God, please pray for those people in our lives who continuously serve us. From the teachers who dedicate their time to teach us and prepare us for the future, to the NHS who have served our community. Let us serve everyone just as Jesus showed us demonstrate "True love shows itself in action" in all we do. Amen. *Izzy 50*

Yours sincerely



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