



Weekly Newsletter-Friday 5th July

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Safeguarding Statement: This school takes notice of and adheres to all the national and local policies and guidance in regard to Safeguarding Children and Young People.

Lead Safeguarding Person Junior School: Mrs. G Owens and Nursery & Infant School: Mrs. M Quinn.

Safeguarding Deputy: Mrs. S Hulme Safeguarding Governor: Mr. T Richmond

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are all looking forward to seeing our whole community together at the summer fayre on Saturday. The weather looks favourable thanks to our good Lord.

Thank you to all the committee and the merry band of helpers that have enabled this to come together and to you all for sending in the many donations over the last week.

These last few weeks are always busy, thank you for the great turn out for infant sports day and we look forward to the junior one next week.

For those who missed the notice last week we are saying farewell to a number of staff at the end of this term. We are having a thanksgiving Mass to celebrate the time Mrs Owens has been in service at St Marys on Thursday 18th July at 2 pm to be celebrated by Bishop Paul. We do have limited space but will be able to include a small number of parents who have had children in Mrs Owen's class over the last few years. If you would like to be considered for a place, please email Ms Nicol, apologies in advance, if we reach our limit and you are disappointed. We are also saying farewell and good luck to Mr Joice, Miss de Valmency, Miss Coggins, Mrs Campion, and Mrs Mitchell, all at the junior school and Mrs Lynch at the infant school.

Spirituality

Sunday 7th July - 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Morning reflection is issued every week by our Chaplain and is available on the school's website:

<https://www.smcsc.org.uk/spirituality.php>

We have all started our work on the final RE topic of the year. This has a focus of the planet and the people on it. Children in Year 3 will be learning about special places, and especially those of pilgrimage. With holidays coming up, this may be a nice topic for conversation.

Alternatively, Year 4 have started to think about Saints, and are full of enthusiasm about researching their own names and the names of their families. Do your children know why you chose their name?

This week pupils in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 enjoyed hearing about Joseph Bear's pilgrimage to the Holy Land. As they went back to class they were given a Jerusalem Cross pilgrimage 'badge'. The Jerusalem Cross is a design composed of 5 crosses. If your child has been wearing one, you may wish to ask them what the 5 crosses signify.



Table Talk Topic for this week - If both hands fall off a clock, is it still a clock? Just a reminder, that we have a Prayer Intention Book in the Reception area of each school. Please feel free to write your intentions in as you wish. Thank you to those who have added to it. Please take the time to read it when visiting the school.



News for the week

School Kitchen Garden

We were very excited as a group of children started to crop the food grown in the small kitchen garden at the juniors. Home grown radishes were added to the salad bar at lunchtime last week. We don't have large areas but it gives the children the experience an idea of growing food even on a patio. Maybe you could try this at home. Gardening is one of the best remedies for poor mental health and stress. Give it a go!

Chicken Pox Outbreak in Infants

Please be aware there are currently a few children off with Chicken Pox in the Infant school. Please check your children for signs of itching/spots and if suspected please could you get your GP to check your child.

Borough Sports competition - Juniors

We had a glorious afternoon at The David Weir Arena on Wednesday with some children from years 3, 4, and 5 for the annual Borough Sports competition. The children were outstanding, reaching the finals in all but one of their races. We were incredibly proud of the talent and determination they displayed on the day but also of the excellent sportsmanship and teamwork that they demonstrated. A special mention as well to the parents, grandparents and little ones who supported us in the heat, it was really appreciated. A fantastic time had by all and another great sporting success from St.Mary's! Mrs Birch

Choir Times for the Summer Fayre

11:15-11:45 choir (combined Junior and Infant's)
11:50-12:00 nursery & Reception
12:05-12:15 Year 1
12:20-12:30 year 2
12:35-12:45 year 3
12:50-1:00 year 4
1:05-1:15 year 5
1:20- 1:30 year 6

Sports Day - Infants

Sports Day was fantastic, the children had fun and enjoyed taking part in lots of physical activity, the weather was on our side and the PTA provided refreshments for our wonderful families. It was a pleasure to see our field full with so many families and friends which made an exciting atmosphere for the children. Thank you for supporting your child and the school community. A huge thank you must also go to Mr Earley and Carshalton High School for Boys for providing help at each activity. The boys were a great model for our children and we hope to continue working with the school in the future. We are always looking for ways to work with and support our local community. Victor Seymour used our school field to host their sports day yesterday. It's a pleasure to be able to share our lovely grounds.

Junior Sports Day

Gate 6 will be open for entrance and will close again at 9.30am once Sports Day commences.

It is expected to be warm for our sports day and having risk assessed this event, please read the following instructions.

Please ensure your child's PE kit contains their PE tshirt, shorts, socks and trainers. Children wear their school uniform to school as normal and will change at school.

All children will need to have a sun hat: preferably one that will stay on their head whilst they are doing activity, like a baseball cap. CHILDREN WILL NOT BE TAKEN DOWN TO THE FIELD WITHOUT A SUNHAT.

All children must have a bottle of water: please ensure this is clearly named as there will be hundreds of them around.

All children must be wearing sun cream: please apply this to them before they come to school and bring it to school named.

Please ensure all items brought to school are named.

Parents are very welcome to come and support on the day! Entrance to the field is only through Gate 6 in the alleyway and supporters are asked to wait on the big playground until a member of SLT asks you to move to the field. Refreshments are available on the playground from 8.45-9.15am but must not be bought onto the sports field.

Year 5 and 6 sports day starts at 9.30

Year 3 and 4 sports day starts at 1.30

Many Thanks for your ongoing support, we look forward to seeing you there!



Stars of the Week - Week ending 5th July 2019

**Elephant Class - Daisy D, Penguin Class - Beatrix N, Bee Class - Bhadra P
Reindeer Class - Keeva E, Cheetah Class - Grace M, Giraffe Class - Rocco R,
Meerkat Class - Jakub K, Horse Class - Lourdes, Owl Class - Emilie W**

Well done to all of the Stars of the week!