



Weekly Newsletter-Friday 13th September

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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. S Hulme and Nursery & Infant School: Mrs. M Quinn.

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to all the parents who have attended the welcome meetings and we hope that you found the information about online safety interesting and useful. We often find that children have online accounts of some sort that are actually illegal due to age restrictions and wonder why parents allow this to happen. When this knowledge comes to the attention of the school, we have an obligation to view this as a safeguarding issue and have the responsibility to follow this up.

We were delighted with the responses regarding the support for the new PTA events. Thank you for completing the volunteer forms with offers of help for the future events. The school has a wonderful community and it is important for all parents to be a part of that.

We have a number of classes that either have a full or nearly full set of completed Home School Agreements returned. Thank you for your quick responses. Appointments will be made with families who have failed to return these as requested.

Governor's Fund letters are due to be sent out next week. Please be reminded that all tax payers can complete the gift aid form allowing the school to claim extra funding. This is really appreciated - thank you.

Please check the calendar date information carefully as some dates are changed from time to time.

Spirituality

Sunday 15th September - 24th 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>

A group of children represented St Mary's by attending the new year School Commissioning Mass at St George's Cathedral. This was a real privilege to be in the presence of the newly appointed Archbishop of Southwark- John Wilson. Prayers were offered for all the children and staff in the Diocese of Southwark.



OT Table Talk Topic for this week – Would you rather help set the table before dinner or help clean up after dinner? 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

Wider Achievement - Infants school

As a school we love to celebrate your children's successes both in school and at home. To help us celebrate your child's achievements in clubs outside of school please send in any certificates they achieve throughout the year. The original will be photocopied and sent home. Their certificate will be shared with their class and then displayed on a board in the school hall for everyone to see!

Thank you in advance for helping us celebrate your children's achievements.

Lost property

All Lost Property boxes will be put in the playgrounds on Friday at pick up, please be advised that all lost property from last term needs to be collected by Friday 20th September as these will then be put into the Bertie bin.

All pupils are expected to come to school with in full school uniform, a coat EVERY DAY and no earrings. Water Bottle should only have plain water (no fruit).

Autumn planting

The new gardening season is fast approaching. Please think of us if you have spare plants that could be used in school-winter pansies, cyclamens, spring flowering bulbs, hellebores, herbs (sage, mint, thyme, lavender, Rosemarie, calamine) or perhaps you may just buy an extra one for the school when shopping. We can also use compost if you have leftovers. The children love gardening and we have a group at each school. Thank you.

School Liturgy's - Infants

Please note the new times of the School Liturgies in the Infants, these will now commence on a Thursday at 9am



E-Safety

Keeping your child safe online

Following on from the Welcome to St. Mary's Meeting on Monday night at the Infants with Steve Welding here are some useful links on being online. These can also be find in your Infant Parent and Carers' Room in the Google Classroom.

<https://www.thinkuknow.co.uk/>

<https://www.internetmatters.org/>

<http://childnet.com>

<http://www.nspcc.org.uk>

<https://www.iwf.org.uk/>

<https://www.common sense media.org>



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Stars of the Week - Week ending 13th September 2019

**Reindeer Class - Daisy D, Cheetah Class - Amelia L, Giraffe Class - Sienna Z,
Meerkat Class - Nicole L, Horse Class - Yara H, Owl Class - Joanne F**
Well done to all of the Stars of the week!