



St Mary's Catholic Federation, Carshalton

Weekly Newsletter-Friday 24th November

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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.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Christmas has arrived in school as we all prepare for the coming Christmas events. Thank you all for such generous donations, each one is very much appreciated. We now look forward to our first family event of the season tomorrow at the infant school and hope to see many of you there.

We would like to update you about the proposed idea of having a common logo for the federation, we have received contributions from the children. The School Councils have looked at these and short listed some that include some really good ideas. The next step would be to discuss possibilities with a designer. We will keep you informed about this in due course. Hopefully it will all be ready to use from next summer ready for the new intakes in September.

Both schools had a visit from the building officer of the Catholic Education Commission. Included in the report to the governors was a comment that the visit to each school was "most uplifting for him". Our children are a credit to the community. We get similar comments when our children act as tour guides for visitors too.

Spirituality

Sunday 26th November - Our Lord Jesus Christ, Universal King

Morning reflection is issued every week by our Chaplain and is available on both schools websites

<http://www.stmarysjunior.org.uk/spirituality.php> <http://www.stmarysinfschool.org.uk/spirituality.php>



Table Talk returns to the newsletter this week with a suggested topic of conversation for your family to discuss at a meal time together. Some of these topics might take even longer. Topic for this week - **If I tell a joke which needs to be translated, who makes the other person laugh: me or the translator?**

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.

News for the week

- It might be Black Friday, but on 22nd November, this week we had #RedWednesday. We prayed for children in Aleppo who have suffered so much for their faith. Your child will have received a prayer card from Aid to the Church in Need.
- It is Advent next week so look out for the travelling cribs at the juniors. Each child will have a turn to bring one home for one night. We hope you enjoy sharing prayers together as we prepare for Christmas.
- Just a reminder that both schools are collecting for the Chaplaincy Gift bags. Small items such as sweets, notepads, pens, teabags, small packs of tissues to be given as gifts to those who live alone or won't receive much in the way of gifts this year. Donations are much appreciated by 15th December. Thank you.
- Star of the Week - week ending 17th November - **Reindeer Class** - Michael Keaveney, **Giraffe Class** - Aoife Mulrooney, **Cheetah Class** - Alan Jackson, **Meerkat Class** - Adrianna Amarasekera, **Horse Class** - Jayden Tharakan, **Owl Class** - Macy Hunt. Well done.



NURSERY & INFANTS' SCHOOL



JUNIOR SCHOOL

Christmas Fayre 12-3pm	Sat 25 Nov	
	Tue 28 Nov	Road Safety Assembly - whole school Year 3 Penitential Service 6.30pm - Year 3 Parents welcome.
	Wed 29 Nov	5 Elm Assembly 9am - Parents Welcome
Giraffe Class Liturgy 9am - parents welcome	Thur 30 Nov	4 Rowan Assembly 9am - Parents Welcome Food Technology - Christmas Puddings 6 Chestnut
Governors Open Day	Fri 1 Dec	Governors Open Day
The Infant Year 2 Choir is singing with the Junior Choir at the Carshalton Village Christmas Festival between 4pm and 4.30pm.	Sat 2 Dec	The Junior Choir is singing with the Infant Year 2 Choir at the Carshalton Village Christmas Festival between 4pm and 4.30pm.
Christmas Post boxes will open on Monday 4th Dec at both schools. All cards need to have the child's full name and class name on the envelopes. Ladybirds AM Christmas Performance 10am. Parents welcome. Please enter through Gate 4. Ladybirds PM Christmas Performance 2pm. Parents welcome. Please enter through Gate 4.	Mon 4 Dec	Christmas Post boxes will open on Monday 4th Dec at both schools. All cards need to have the child's full name and class name on the envelopes.
Reception Classes - Christmas Performance 1.30pm for refreshments. Performance starts at 2pm. Parents welcome. Please enter through Gate 4	Tue 5 Dec	
Reception Classes - second performance (repeat of the performance on 5 th December) 9am for refreshments. Performance starts at 9.30am. Parents welcome. Please enter through Gate 4.	Wed 6 Dec	6 Oak Assembly 9am - Parents Welcome Parent/s Carers Advent Prayers in the Chapel 2.30pm
Cheetah Class Liturgy 9am - parents welcome Open Day Nursery & Reception 2018 Intake 9.30am Year 1 - Christmas Performance. Children to arrive at 5.30pm. Performance starts at 6pm. Parents welcome. Please enter through Gate 4.	Thur 7 Dec	Food Technology - Christmas Puddings 6 Oak
Year 2 to St Philomena's to watch drama performance	Fri 8 Dec	
SMIF Christmas Shop - All children	Mon 11 Dec	
Year 2 children to Junior School to watch Year 3 Nativity SMIF Christmas Shop -All Children Children's Christmas Lunch	Tue 12 Dec	Year 3 Nativity 1.30pm. Year 2 and Parents of Year 3 welcome Year 3 Nativity 7pm. Parents of Year 3 welcome.
Aladdin Pantomime in school	Wed 13 Dec	TFL visiting Year 6 Children's Christmas Lunch

Chaplain Liturgy 9am - Parents welcome Year 2 Carol Service 6pm at Holy Cross Church. Parents welcome.	Thur 14 Dec	Mufti Day - full school uniform with one Christmas accessory in exchange for a bottle and cake donation. Whole school Mass 10am - children only at the Junior School Parent/ Carer Advent Prayers in the Chapel 2.30pm
	Fri 15 Dec	Junior Christmas Fayre 2pm to 4pm for parent/ carers.
	Mon 18 Dec	Whole school to Panto at Epsom Playhouse Parent/ Carer Advent Prayers in the Chapel 2.30pm Music Night 6.30pm for a 7pm start
NURSERY FINISHES	Tue 19 Dec	Choir singing in Sutton - AM St Mary's Got Talent. Whole school - children only.
SCHOOL FINISHES 2PM	Wed 20 Dec	SCHOOL FINISHES 2PM
INSET DAY 3	Wed 3 Jan	INSET DAY 3
SCHOOL STARTS 8.55AM	Thur 4 Jan	SCHOOL STARTS 8.45AM
	Fri 5 Jan	Swimming 4R, 6O & 6C
	Fri 12 Jan	Swimming 4R, 6O & 6C
	Tue 16 Jan	Creativity Day - Whole School
	Fri 19 Jan	Swimming 4R, 6O & 6C
Year 1 Phonics Meeting 2.30pm	Mon 22 Jan	
Year 2 SATS Meeting 2.30pm	Wed 24 Jan	
	Thur 25 Jan	Year 3 First Aid training
	Fri 26 Jan	Swimming 4R, 6O & 6C
	Fri 2 Feb	Swimming 4R, 6O & 6C
	Mon 5 Feb	Year 6 Height & Weight Measurement
	Tue 6 Feb	Year 6 Height & Weight Measurement
Parent Forum Meeting 9am Infant School	Wed 7 Feb	Parent Forum Meeting 9am Infant School
SCHOOL FINISHES	Fri 9 Feb	Swimming 4A, 4P & Mixed group of year 6 SCHOOL FINISHES
SCHOOL STARTS 8.55AM	Mon 19 Feb	SCHOOL STARTS 8.45AM
	Tue 20 Feb	PAR meetings for parents and children by appointment 5pm to 8pm
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	Fri 23 Feb	Swimming 4A, 4P & Mixed group of year 6
	Fri 2 Mar	Swimming 4A, 4P & Mixed group of year 6
	Fri 9 Mar	Swimming 4A, 4P & Mixed group of year 6
	Fri 16 Mar	Swimming 4A, 4P & Mixed group of year 6
Full Governing Body Meeting Junior School 7pm	Tue 20 Mar	Full Governing Body Meeting Junior School 7pm
NURSERY FINISHES	Wed 28 Mar	Easter Reflection led by Year 5 11am for Years 3 & 5 1.30pm for year 4 and Parents
SCHOOL FINISHES 2PM	Thur 29 Mar	SCHOOL FINISHES 2PM
INSET DAY 4	Mon 16 Apr	INSET DAY 4
SCHOOL STARTS 8.55AM	Tue 17 Apr	SCHOOL STARTS 8.45AM
	Fri 20 Apr	Swimming 3M, 3W & 3H

	Wed 25 Apr	Creativity Day - Whole School
	Fri 27 Apr	Swimming 3M, 3W & 3H
	Tue 1 May	Crowning of Mary 9am children only
Parent Forum Meeting 9am Junior School	Thur 3 May	Parent Forum Meeting 9am Junior School
	Fri 4 May	Swimming 3M, 3W & 3H
BANK HOLIDAY	Fri 7 May	BANK HOLIDAY
	Fri 11 May	Swimming 3M, 3W & 3H
	Mon 14 May	SATS WEEK
	Fri 18 May	Swimming 4A, 4P & 4R
	Fri 25 May	Swimming 4A, 4P & 4R
SCHOOL FINISHES		SCHOOL FINISHES
SCHOOL STARTS 8.55AM	Mon 4 June	SCHOOL STARTS 8.45AM
	Fri 8 June	Swimming 4A, 4P & 4R
	Fri 15 June	Swimming 5B, 5S & 5E
	Sat 16 June	School Journey for Year 6
	Thur 21 June	New Year 3 2018 Intake Parents meeting 7pm
	Fri 22 June	Swimming 5B, 5S & 5E
New Reception 2018 Intake Parents Meeting 2pm	Tue 26 Jun	
New Nursery 2018 Intake Parents Meeting 9.30am	Wed 27 Jun	
	Fri 29 June	Year 5 Under Canvas event
	Tue 3 Jul	Year 5 Coffee morning 9.30am to 10.30am to discuss any concerns you have about transfer to high school. This is not a presentation but a chance to ask questions.
	Wed 4 Jul	Year 5 Coffee afternoon 2pm to 3pm to discuss any concerns you have about transfer to high school. This is not a presentation but a chance to ask questions.
Full Governing Body Meeting Infant School 7pm	Tue 10 Jul	Full Governing Body Meeting Infant School 7pm
Year 2 attending year 6 Production at the Junior School	Tue 17 Jul	Year 6 Production 1.30pm & 7pm. All welcome.
NURSERY FINISHES	Thur 19 July	Final Assembly - children only
SCHOOL FINISHES 2PM	Fri 20 Jul	Leavers Mass 11am. Year 6 Parents welcome SCHOOL FINISHES 2PM
INSET DAY 5	Mon 23 Jul	INSET DAY 5

Term dates can be viewed on either website

<http://www.stmarysinfschool.org.uk/files/diary/school-holiday-dates.pdf>

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