

Friday 17th November 2023 - AUTUMN 2 NEWSLETTER

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Executive Headteacher: Mrs S Hulme. Chair of Governors: Mr B Tomkins

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 M Kenny, Nursery & Infant School: Mrs. M Quinn.

<u>Safequarding Deputies: Mrs. S Hulme, Mrs F Black & Mr S Pratsis & Mrs E Heath, Safequarding Governor: Mr, T Richmond</u>

A message from Mrs Hulme

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you all so much for your ongoing generosity, sending in money for the Operation Elf raffles which were drawn today with huge excitement at the junior school and Monday at the infant school and thank you also for the donations that are being brought into school in readiness for the whole school Christmas Fayre.

Although we are looking forward to the Advent and Christmas celebrations that start at the end of November, we still have lots of normal learning happening. During this last week we have held year group progress meetings which drive the finer detail in lesson planning as we anticipate pupil outcomes for the end of the autumn term.

We also held our third open morning for new intake September 2024 at the infant school this week. We are very pleased with the interest taken in considering St Mary's School for their children and for these visitors who were very complimentary about the children seen currently in school. We will continue to welcome new enquiries until the closing date in January.



Junior School

This Sunday, 19th November, is World Day of the Poor. We thank you for your generous donations to the chocolate raffle. The proceeds (we haven't finished counting just yet) show that our school community really does care about the less fortunate in our world. Thank you for supporting Operation Elf and the work

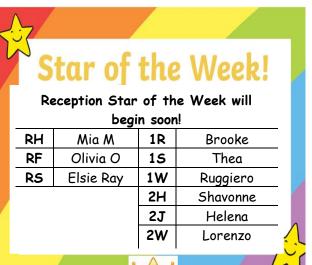
of https://www.prisonadvice.org.uk/operation-elf The children who won chocolate will have been told not to eat their prizes until they have shown them to you at home and have permission!

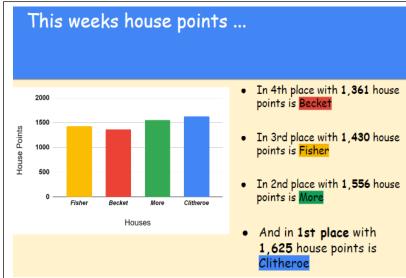


Wednesday 22nd November gives us another opportunity to support the vulnerable in our society. #RedWednesday is a chance for the children to reflect on the fact that they can express their faith publicly, without fear of persecution. They will learn that this is not the case for children across the world. They may wear one item of red to school (not a sports shirt as this puts the focus on a team) with their uniform. you would like to know visit https://acnuk.org/resource/redwednesday- primary/ Please do not worry if your child does not have a red item, or does not want to wear one to school. They can still support this day through prayer and reflection.

#REDWEDNESDAY

News for the week





School Uniform Expectations

Please be reminded that pupils are not allowed any jewellery of any kind. This includes plastic substitute earrings. PE lessons cannot be taken whilst wearing earrings of any kind.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

TAN AWARDS			
3 Hawthorn	Oskar	5 Birch	Deisy
3 Mulberry	Yura	5 Elm	Lucas
3 Willow	Owen	5 Sycamore	Норе
4 Ash	Conrad	6 Chestnut	Patrick
4 Poplar	Lennox	<u> 6 Copper Beech</u>	Kuba
4 Rowan	Mimi	<u>6 Oak</u>	Izabela

Netball

Our A and B team played a netball match against Holy Trinity. The teams are growing each week and working really well together, passing the ball more confidently up and down the court. There was some really great play and interceptions from both teams and it is great to see the teams confidence growing. Our A team





unfortunately lost their game, but managed to bring the goal difference down between the first and second half. Our B team won their game confidently and demonstrated great team work. A huge well done to everyone who took part and a big thank you to the families who came to support.

Football

On Monday, our Year 5 football team played their first game together. The boys were all very excited about the chance to represent the school and wear the school football kits. The children worked really hard throughout the game and were up against some tough opponents. Unfortunately, the game ended in a 3-1 loss, but we are very proud of the boys for their determination. Thank you to all the family members who came to watch!





As a school, we aim for 97.4% attendance, which would bring us in line with expectations; unfortunately, many children had not achieved this percentage last term. We really need the help of our parents to raise our attendance this term by ensuring children are attending school each day.

	Yearly Total to Date %
Infant School	96.6%
Junior School	97.0%

Registration	Attendance	Punctuality	Registration Group	Attendance %	Punctuality
Group	%	(late) %			(late) %
Froglet N	93.0	0.58	3 Mulberry	98.2	0.13
R Fox	95.9	0.18	3 Willow	98.1	0.07
R Hedgehog	97.7	0.71	3 Hawthorn	96.7	0.44
R Squirrel	96.2	0.73	4 Poplar	97.1	0.40
1 Robin	96.6	0.98	4 Ash	97.4	0.54
1 Wren	97.2	0.14	4 Rowan	96.9	0.21
1 Sparrow	96.4	0.26	5 Elm	95.2	0.79
2 Jay	97.9	0.14	5 Birch	98.2	0.27
2Woodpecker	97.6	0.20	5 Sycamore	96.6	0.17
2 Heron	96.1	0.43	6 Chestnut	97.3	0.35
			6 Oak	96.0	0.21
			6 Copper Beech	96.6	0.07

<u>Dates for the Diary</u> <u>TBC means To Be Confirmed (dates may be subject to change)</u>

	NURSERY & INFANT SCHOOL	JUNIOR SCHOOL
Mon 20 th Nov		Boys B Team Football St. Mary's vs Foresters School
Tues 21st Nov		
Weds 22 nd Nov	Red Wednesday – Children can wear one item of red clothing	5 Sycamore Class Assembly at 8.50am – Parents Welcome Red Wednesday – Children can wear one item of red clothing
Thurs 23 rd Nov		Year 5 Maths Workshops – 9am – 9.30am – 5B 9.45am – 10.15am – 5E 2.40pm – 3.10pm – 5S Year 6 Maths Classroom Drop Ins at 9am – 9.20am
Fri 24 th Nov	White Ribbon Day Event in Sutton High Street by COGNUS – More details to follow	Year 5 Wonder Dome Year 6 Swimming Lessons 1.30pm – 3pm 6 CB return at 3.30pm White Ribbon Day Event in Sutton High Street by COGNUS – More details to follow
Tues 28 th Nov		Yrs 3 & 4 Sports Hall Athletics 1.30-3.30pm at Wallington High School Year 3 Penitential Service 6.30 – 7.30pm - TBC
Weds 29th Nov	Year 2 visiting St. Philomena's Year 3 Open Day at the Junior School Tour at 2pm, Talk from 2.30pm – 3pm	6 Oak Class Assembly at 9am – Parents Welcome Year 3 Open Day at the Junior School Tour at 2pm, Talk from 2.30pm – 3pm

		Boys A Football Team St. Mary's vs Tweedale at St. Philomena's field
Thurs 30 th Nov	Year 2 Maths Workshop – Sign up via email link	Year 3 to St. Philomena's to watch the GCSE Performance at 9.15am Year 4 Maths Workshops – Sign up via email link Year 5 Maths Classroom Drop Ins Yrs 5 & 6 RFL A, B Festival 10-12.30pm at John Fisher Playing Field
Fri 1 st Dec		Year 6 Swimming Lessons 1.30pm – 3pm 6 CB return at 3.30pm
Tues 5 th Dec	School Governors Full Governing Body Committee Meeting	School Governors Full Governing Body Committee Meeting
Weds 6th Dec		4 Ash Class Assembly at 2.45pm – Parents Welcome
Thurs 7 th Dec	Nursery Nativity at 10am – TBC Year 2 Christingle service at Holy Cross at 6pm Year 1 Maths Workshop – Sign up via email link Year 2 Maths Classrooms Drop Ins	Year 3 Maths Workshops – Sign up via email link Year 4 Maths Classrooms Drop Ins
Fri 8 th Dec	PTA Bottle Mufti Day – More details to follow!	PTA Bottle Mufti Day – More details to follow!
Sat 9th Dec	PTA Christmas Fayre – More details to follow!	PTA Christmas Fayre – More details to follow!
Mon 11 th Dec	No Clubs running from this week Year 1 Maths Classrooms Drop Ins Year 1 Carols around the crib at 3.30pm - TBC	No Clubs running from this week Year 3 Maths Classrooms Drop Ins
Tues 12 th Dec	Reception Nativity at 10am - TBC	
Weds 13th Dec	Christmas Lunch – Christmas Jumper/Accessory Day	5 Birch Class Assembly at 8.50am – Parents Welcome Christmas Lunch – Christmas jumper/accessory day
Thurs 14 th Dec	Reception Nativity at 10am - TBC	Year 3 Christmas Nativity at 1.30pm – TBC Year 3 Christmas Nativity at 7pm - TBC
Fri 15 th Dec	Reception Nativity at 10am - TBC	St. Mary's Got Talent 'In House'
Mon 18th Dec	PTA Christmas Shop	Music Night - TBC
Tues 19 th Dec	PTA Christmas Shop	Whole School visit to the Pantomime at Epsom Playhouse
Weds 20th Dec		6 Copper Beech Class Assembly at 9am – Parents Welcome Junior School Fayre – More details to follow
Thurs 21st Dec	LAST DAY OF AUTUMN 2 TERM SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2PM	LAST DAY OF AUTUMN 2 TERM SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2PM
Mon 8 th Jan	INSET DAY 3 SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY 3 SCHOOL CLOSED
Tues 9th Jan	FIRST DAY OF SPRING 1 TERM	FIRST DAY OF SPRING 1 TERM
Mon 29 th Jan – Fri 2 nd Feb	SEND Parent Academic Review Week	SEND Parent Academic Review Week
Tues 30 th Jan	PTA Committee Meeting at 7pm in the Infant School	PTA Committee Meeting at 7pm in the Infant School
Fri 2 nd Feb	PTA Coffee Morning at 9am in the Infant School	PTA Coffee Morning at 9am in the Infant School
Mon 5 th Feb – Fri 9 th Feb	Parent Academic Review Week	Parent Academic Review Week
Weds 7 th Feb	School Governors Inclusion Committee Meeting	School Governors Inclusion Committee Meeting
Fri 9 th Feb	Y1 After School Treat Sales	
Mon 12 th Feb – Fri 16 th Feb	FEBRUARY HALF TERM SCHOOL CLOSED	FEBRUARY HALF TERM SCHOOL CLOSED

Mon 19 th Feb	FIRST DAY OF SPRING 2 TERM	FIRST DAY OF SPRING 2 TERM	
Sat 24 th Feb	PTA International Fayre – More details to follow!	PTA International Fayre – More details to follow!	
Fri 1 st Mar	PTA Wine/Gin Tasting (Adult Event) – More details to follow!	PTA Wine/Gin Tasting (Adult Event) – More details to follow!	
Tues 5 th Mar	School Governors Resources Committee Meeting School Governors Curriculum & Standards Committee Meeting	School Governors Resources Committee Meeting School Governors Curriculum & Standards Committee Meeting	
Mon 25 th Mar – Fri 19 th Apr	PTA Sponsored Read Event – More details to follow!	PTA Sponsored Read Event – More details to follow	
Weds 27 th Mar	School Governors Full Governing Body Committee Meeting	School Governors Full Governing Body Committee Meeting	
Thurs 28 th Mar	LAST DAY OF SPRING 2 TERM SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2PM	LAST DAY OF SPRING 2 TERM SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2PM	
Mon 15 th Apr	INSET DAY 4 SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY 4 SCHOOL CLOSED	
Tues 16 th Apr	FIRST DAY OF SUMMER 1 TERM	FIRST DAY OF SUMMER 1 TERM	
Fri 19 th Apr		PTA Junior School Disco – More details to follow!	
Fri 26 th Apr		Y3 After School Treat Sales	
Thurs 25 th Apr	PTA AGM Committee Meeting at 7pm in the Infant School	PTA AGM Committee Meeting at 7pm in the Infant School	
Mon 6 th May	EARLY MAY BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED	EARLY MAY BANK HOLIDAY SCHOOL CLOSED	
Fri 10 th May	PTA Ladies Night (Adult Event) – More details to follow!	PTA Ladies Night (Adult Event) – More details to follow!	
Fri 17 th May	YR After School treat Sales		
Tues 21st May	PTA Committee Meeting at 7pm in the Infant School	PTA Committee Meeting at 7pm in the Infant School	
Mon 27 th May – Fri 31 st May	MAY HALF TERM SCHOOL CLOSED	MAY HALF TERM SCHOOL CLOSED	
Mon 3 rd June	FIRST DAY OF SUMMER 2 TERM	FIRST DAY OF SUMMER 2 TERM	
Weds 5th June	School Governors Inclusion Committee Meeting	School Governors Inclusion Committee Meeting	
Mon 17 th June	INSET DAY 5 – TBC SCHOOL CLOSED	INSET DAY 5 – TBC SCHOOL CLOSED	
Fri 14 th June		Y4 After School Treat Sales	
Tues 25 th June	School Governors Resources Committee Meeting School Governors Curriculum & Standards Committee Meeting	School Governors Resources Committee Meeting School Governors Curriculum & Standards Committee Meeting	
Fri 5 th July	PTA Bottle Mufti Day – More details to follow!	PTA Bottle Mufti Day – More details to follow!	
Sat 6 th July	PTA Summer Fayre – More details to follow!	PTA Summer Fayre – More details to follow!	
Thurs 11 th July	School Governors Full Governing Body Committee Meeting	School Governors Full Governing Body Committee Meeting	
Weds 24 th July	LAST DAY OF SUMMER 2 TERM SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2PM	LAST DAY OF SUMMER 2 TERM SCHOOL FINISHES AT 2PM	

The 'UK General Data Protection Regulation' (UK GDPR) brought about changes about how we can use your personal data and keep it safe, and strengthens your rights over your own data. Please refer to our privacy notices on the school's website for details of how sensitive or private information about yourselves and your children stays safe.