

## Friday 28th April 2023 - SUMMER 1 NEWSLETTER

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

Safeguarding Deputies: Mrs. S Hulme, Mrs F Black & Mr S Pratsis & Mrs E Heath, Safeguarding Governor: Mr. T Richmond

### A message from Mrs Hulme

Dear Parents and Carers,

Waking up to, a lovely blue sky this morning reminded me of the glories of springtime mixed with the beautiful colours of the blossom. We hope that filled your hearts with hope and peacefulness too.

A huge well done to those who ran the Marathon last week, to all of the children who participated in the mini version and the adults in the main event. We congratulate Mrs Kenny and Miss Miller at the junior school for running it in fast timings too.

One year 3 class went to London on an activity trip today followed by the other classes in the next couple of weeks. The brighter days allow more learning activities to be outdoors providing a greater range of initiatives; this is something we have been working on to improve as a school.

The next two weeks are only 4 days each with a lot to achieve. Yr 6 are completing the preparation for the statutory tests, Year 1 has a focus on phonic teaching and year 2 for their end of key stage assessment tasks. These are all crucial times for the children in these groups.

We are filled with joyful anticipation, looking forward to the coronation celebrations in the coming week.

Thank you to the parents who have joined us already for our coronation assembly presentations, the children really enjoy participating and performing for you. We have more to come next week.

Please also see arrangements in school for next Friday below.

Happy Spring Bank Holiday weekend.



#### Football

The Year 6 football A team played All Saints on Wednesday evening. The boys played brilliantly together and as we enter into our final term with the team, it is wonderful to see how far they have come. The support the boys give one another on and off the pitch is a real testament to their friendship and determination. The game ended 5-1 to us! A huge well done to all the team and a big thank you to all the families for supporting the boys.



#### Netball

On Wednesday evening, 2 netball teams went to Westbourne Primary School to take part in a netball match. Westbourne were a tough team to beat, with lots of height and speed to compete with on the court. The A team were determined and kept going despite Westbourne scoring a number of goals early on. The B team also played a brilliant game, passing well up and down the court, supporting, and encouraging each other throughout. The teams won one game and lost one game, but all played so well. A huge well done to all the pupils who played and a big thank you to the families for taking the teams to the match.







### London mini marathon

Wow! What an incredible experience this was. The London marathon is a truly iconic event, raising huge amounts of money for charity every year and celebrating the best aspects of humanity. Last weekend, 100 children and their families of our school community were lucky enough to run the inspiring final stretch of the marathon, in front of huge crowds and media. We were incredibly fortunate to be able to enter this event, as this was open to all London boroughs and places were full almost instantly.

Every year group had large numbers of representatives, from reception to Year 6. Every child who entered this race finished with a huge smile on their face and those who entered with an adult, all made sure they crossed the line before them! This is a finish line that Liz McColgan, Paula Radcliffe, Eliud Kipchoge, Brigid Kosgei and many more have all represented their countries and won the London Marathon on and now St Mary's proudly follows in their footsteps. A huge well done to Josh who won the wave 19 and Poppy who was the first female winner. We are SO proud of you!

The pride we feel for all the pupils who took part in this is unimaginable. The whole event was incredibly moving and we cannot wait to do this all over again next year. We would like to extend a huge thank you to all the families who came to this event and supported the children; it will not be one we will forget for a long time to come. We are delighted to see the enthusiasm our pupils have towards running and look forward to seeing many of these faces complete the London marathon when they are older.





# News for the week

## Infant - Stars of the Week

R Hedgehog	Stars of the Week will recommence next week, due to the coronation assembly taking place.
R Fox	
R Squirrel	
1 Robin	
1 Sparrow	
1 Wren	
2 Heron	
2 Jay	
2 Woodpecker	

## Junior - House Points

4 <sup>th</sup> place is Clitheroe	<p>A bar chart with four bars representing house points. The y-axis ranges from 0 to 120. The bars are: Clitheroe (blue, ~100), More (green, ~110), Fisher (yellow, ~105), and More (red, ~115).</p>
3 <sup>rd</sup> place is More	
2 <sup>nd</sup> place is Fisher	
1 <sup>st</sup> place is More	

## Juniors - Star Writer

3 Willow	Star Writer will recommence next week
3 Mulberry	
3 Hawthorn	
4 Poplar	
4 Ash	
4 Rowan	
5 Elm	
5 Sycamore	
5 Birch	
6 Copper Beech	
6 Oak	
6 Chestnut	



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.

Registration Group	Attendance %	Punctuality (lates) %
Froglet AM Nursery	95.4%	0.24%
Froglet PM Nursery	81.9%	0.27%
R Fox	94.1%	0.49%
R Hedgehog	93.7%	0.21%
R Squirrel	96.2%	0.95%
1 Robin	93.9%	0.63%
1 Sparrow	94.2%	0.23%
1 Wren	93.3%	0.44%
2 Jay	96.3%	0.31%
2 Woodpecker	96.0%	0.62%
2 Heron	93.6%	0.17%
3 Mulberry	96.7%	0.19%
3 Willow	95.8%	0.10%
3 Hawthorn	96.7%	0.21%
4 Poplar	96.9%	0.52%
4 Ash	94.6%	0.29%
4 Rowan	95.3%	1.63%
5 Elm	97.2%	0.25%
5 Birch	95.3%	0.41%
5 Sycamore	96.2%	0.11%
6 Chestnut	96.3%	0.37%
6 Oak	96.1%	0.93%
6 Copper Beech	96.6%	0.09%



## Coronation celebrations

- Class / year group assemblies
- Next Friday - wear full school uniform with red, white and blue socks.
- Children also have the option of wearing a royal themed hat, a coronation sash or rosette
- Links to the royal occasion will be included in some learning during the week

## Safeguarding News

### Capture Video - Financial Times

In a recently published video by financial times films, gives an important insight to the impact of social media on our children and our family life. The video is well worth a watch and in particular encouraging parents to watch. I've used this video with parents groups, and they were shocked. The video led them to reconsider how they talk to their children about, their social media use. You can find the video on YouTube by

following the link below:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6UY2HOPuTIk>

## Wednesday Word

Please click on the link below to access the weekly Wednesday Word - <https://www.paperturn-view.com/uk/wednesday-word/follow?pid=MTA101634&v=90.3>