



St. Mary's  
Catholic Federation

# Weekly Newsletter-Friday 2nd November

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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. G Owens and **Nursery & Infant School:** Mrs. M Quinn.

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

Dear Parents & Carers,

Following a break from school, we returned to a very busy week! Although the clocks have gone back giving us earlier darkness we still have some blue sky days to cheer us up.

Unusually, we experienced a concerning situation on the junior school site that resulted in a whole school lock down. Thankfully this didn't last for long and all concerned were safe and allowed to go home as normal. Thank you to those parents who have taken the time to send supporting messages to school- these make our day!

Thank you also to parents for meeting with your child's class teacher for the progress meetings. We are very blessed that we have families who are supportive and share responsibilities for the welfare of our children enabling us to be a true learning community.

Please be reminded that we expect all children to wear a coat to school, that together with hats, scarves and gloves need to be in accordance with school uniform policy. This is the responsibility of parents and carers to ensure that children come to school secure in the knowledge that they are following school expectations whilst being comfortable when involved in outdoor activities.

We wish Miss Atkinson, class teacher of 4 Rowan good luck as she starts her maternity leave from today and look forward to a new addition to St Mary's family.

## Spirituality

### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November - 31<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Ordinary time

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>

We welcomed Father Luke to the Junior School on Thursday for the mass to celebrate the feast of All Saints. He praised the children's behaviour and particularly enjoyed their singing.

Thank you to all the families who have already brought in socks contributing to The Passage at Westminster. They will be most welcome.

**Red Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018 - wear one item of red clothing to support Aid to the Church In Need**



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: Is it possible to ever stop thinking? -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

**FSMS Meeting - Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November at 8pm at the Junior School**

**Open Day for Nursery and Reception - 7<sup>th</sup> November at 9.30am**

**Parent Forum Meeting date 8<sup>th</sup> November 2018 at the Junior School 9.15am**

### **PTA - Christmas Donations**

The PTA Christmas Donations in the Infants will be extended for another week.

### **Harvest Mass Appeals**

Thank you for your generous response to our Harvest Mass appeals for food. The Chaplain at St. Philomena's High School, Deacon Errol, has sent the following message of thanks.

**On behalf of the Headteacher, I would like to thank the Headteacher, yourself, the pupils and staff of St Mary's for the generous donation to our communities' foodbank.**

**God bless and replenish you a hundred fold.**

**Best wishes,**

**Deacon Errol**

### **Book Fairs**

'Thank you to all parents and children who made a visit to the book fair's at both schools. We will be totalling up the amount we have made, and this will determine the amount of free books the school will be able to choose and benefit from. Your contribution is hugely appreciated and we are sure the children will enjoy reading their new books.'

### **Fireworks Safety**

With the darker nights come a number of events involving fireworks and bonfires, starting with Bonfire night next Monday. Here is a list of resources to help inform young people and minimise the risks of harm:

**Fireworks, Sparkler and Bonfire Safety (RoSPA)**

<https://www.rospa.com/home-safety/advice/fireworks-safety/>

**UK Fire Services**

<https://www.fireservice.co.uk/safety/firework-safety/>

**Lost property** - we do accumulate a large amount in each school.

Please remember to take the time to label all items. From time to time we also have items handed in of great worth. We are holding something of value currently at the junior school.

Stars of the Week - Week ending 2<sup>nd</sup> November, **Reindeer Class** - Emmeline Koo Mo Shan, **Cheetah Class** - Adiele Amo, **Giraffe Class** - Callum Lowther, **Meerkat Class** - Ksenia McCrea, **Horse Class** - Elsa Zanocco, **Owl Class** - David Thorley. **Well done to all of the Stars of the week!**

## Dates for the Diary

NURSERY & INFANT SCHOOL		JUNIOR SCHOOL
Owl Class Liturgy at 2.45pm Parents Welcome - Access gate 4	Mon 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	
Reception visit to Ecology Centre for Bear Hunt & visit to Cenotaph Hearing Tests for Year 1	Tues 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	
Open Day for new intake for Nursery and Reception at 9.30am	Weds 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Creativity Day Friends of St. Mary's meeting at 8pm
	Thurs 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 4 River Trip to London Year 6 Chaplaincy Sessions Parent Forum Meeting 9.15am - Junior School Year 3 Hawthorn Class Assembly 9am
Infant Creativity Day	Fri 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 3 Mulberry class Assembly 9am Swimming 6O Swimming 5B
Meerkat Class Liturgy Access gate 4 - Parents welcome at 2.45pm SMIF - Special Meeting 8pm	Mon 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Open Day for new intake for Year 3 -1.45 pm
Individual and Sibling Photo Orders to be returned by today Hearing Tests for Year 1 - PM	Tues 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Individual and Sibling Photo Orders to be returned by today
	Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 4 & 5 Mass Year 3 Chaplaincy Sessions
	Fri 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Swimming 5E Swimming 5S
Nasal flu immunisation Horse Class Liturgy Access gate 4 - Parents welcome at 2.45pm	Mon 19 Nov	Year 5 Learning Dome Nasal Flu immunisation (Year 3 - Year 5) Full Governing Body meeting- 7pm Junior School
	Tues 20 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Learning Dome Yr. 3
Full Governing Body meeting- 7pm Junior School	Wed 21 <sup>st</sup> Nov	Year 4 Popular Class Assembly AM
FSMs Quiz Night - The Greyhound Hotel, Carshalton-7pm	Thurs 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	Year 4 Chaplaincy Sessions Learning Dome Yr. 6 FSMs Quiz Night - The Greyhound Hotel, Carshalton-7pm
Sutton Schools Work Assembly - children only	Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	Swimming 5E Swimming 5S
Cheetah Class Liturgy Access gate 4 - Parents welcome at 2.45pm	Mon 26 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Faith in Action Meeting 3.30 - 5pm
	Tues 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	6 Chestnut Christmas Puddings 9.30am
<b>Red Wednesday</b> - wear one item of red clothing (perhaps a scarf, hat, gloves, a pair of socks, rights?) with their usual school	Weds 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<b>Red Wednesday</b> - wear one item of red clothing (perhaps a scarf, hat, gloves, a pair of socks, rights?) with their usual school uniform to

uniform to support Aid to the Church In Need		support Aid to the Church In Need Year 6 copper Beech Class Assembly 9am
	Thurs 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Year 5 Chaplaincy Sessions 6 Copper Beech Christmas Puddings 9am
Mufti Day - chocolate/wine/cakes donations	Fri 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Mufti Day - Chocolate donations Swimming 5E Swimming 5S
Christmas Fayre 11-2pm	Sat 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	St. Philomena's Food donations to be collected
Giraffe Class Liturgy Access gate 4 - Parents welcome at 2.45pm	Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	Adoration at St. Philomena's - Year 3 10.30 - 11.30 and Year 5 9.15 - 10.15
	Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	6 Oak Christmas Puddings 9.30am
	Wed 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Yr. 4 visit St Philomena's drama presentations
	Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Adoration at St. Philomena's Year 4 9.15 - 10.15 and Year 6 10.30 - 11.30 Yr. 3 visit St Philomena's drama presentations
Year 2 to St. Philomena's (drama) 9.30-10.50am	Fri 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 4 Ash Class Assembly 9am Swimming 5E Swimming 5S
Reception Nativity at 1.30pm	Mon 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	
Pantomime theatre group visit to school	Tues 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	
Year 3 Nativity at 1.30pm Year 3 Nativity at 7pm Reception Nativity at 9.30am	Wed 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Yr. 3 Nativity 1.30 and 7pm
Year 2 - Medieval Day	Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	
Nursery Nativity at 10.40am Nursery Nativity at 2.30pm	Fri 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Year 6 Chestnut Class Assembly 9am
Reindeer Class Liturgy Access gate 4 - Parents welcome at 2.45pm Infant Christmas Shop Year 1 Carols around the Crib at 6pm	Mon 17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Whole school trip to pantomime
Infant Christmas shop	Tues 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Music Night at 6pm
Christmas Lunch Infant Creativity Day	Weds 19 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Head or toes - Bring a bottle for Christmas Fayre Christmas Lunch
NURSERY FINISHES	Thur 20 Dec	Christmas Fayre-parents from 2pm
SCHOOL FINISHES 2PM	Fri 21 Dec	Holy Assembly at 9am St. Mary's Got Talent at 10am SCHOOL FINISHES 2PM
INSET DAY 3	Mon 7 Jan	INSET DAY 3
SCHOOL STARTS 8.55AM	Tue 8 Jan	SCHOOL STARTS 8.45AM
SCHOOL FINISHES	Fri 15 Feb	SCHOOL FINISHES
	Thurs 17 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Year 3 Classes - Daisy First Aid 9am
	Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Year 5 Elm Class Assembly 9am
	Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Year 3 Willow Class Assembly 9am
	Weds 13 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Year 5 Birch class Assembly 9am
SCHOOL STARTS 8.55AM	Mon 25 Feb	SCHOOL STARTS 8.45AM
SCHOOL FINISHES 2PM	Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> April	SCHOOL FINISHES 2PM
INSET DAY 4	Tues 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	INSET DAY 4
SCHOOL STARTS 8.45AM	Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> April	SCHOOL STARTS 8.45AM
SCHOOL CLOSED - BANK HOLIDAY	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> May	SCHOOL CLOSED - BANK HOLIDAY

Term dates can be viewed on either website at

<http://www.stmarysinfchool.org.uk/files/TERM%20DATES%20%2018-19.pdf>

<http://www.stmarysjunior.org.uk/files/TERM%20DATES%20%2018-19.pdf>