

Weekly Newsletter
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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Please click on the link below to see the Headteacher's message this week.

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Have a lovely weekend

Kind regards
Mr Sims
Headteacher

WEEK BEGINNING 3rd JULY

Monday 3rd July

Reception Classes visit Christchurch

Tuesday 4th July

Y5 Educational Visit – Greenwich Islamic Centre

Wednesday 5th July

Strike Day

Nursery Sports Day

Y3 Educational Visit – British Museum

Thursday 6th July

Y4 Cricket Tournament - Avery Hill Park

Y6 SEN Transition Visit to St Thomas More Comprehensive

Friday 7th July

Sport's Day – Eltham Park South

SPORT NEWS

Some of our Y4, Y5 and Y6 girls represented St Mary's in a football tournament yesterday, hosted by Charlton Athletic. There were eight other schools in the competition. The girls battled through some tough games and won all their games in the tournament. Very well done to the girls for working together so well as a team and for being excellent ambassadors for the sport.

Many thanks to Miss Gannon for accompanying the girls and to Mrs Garrity for her help on the day.



Y2 LIFE LONG AGO WORKSHOP

The Y2 children took part in a very interesting workshop today on Life Long Ago – the World of Dinosaurs. They loved digging for fossils and identifying what they found.



SCHOOL VALUES: FAITH, MERCY, TRUTH, RESPECT, RESILIENCE, LOVE

SPORT'S DAY

INFANTS - 9.30am-11.30am
JUNIORS - 1.15pm-3.00pm
ELTHAM PARK SOUTH

I hope that the weather will be dry for the St Mary's Sports Day on **Friday 7th July**. Please ensure your children wear adequate sun protection and hats or bring a light raincoat if needed.

Water will be provided for the children so they will not need to bring their own water bottles to the park. If you are planning to attend, please ensure that you stand in the designated area to keep children safe.

Infants will start at approximately 9.30am. Parents are invited to Eltham Park South to support their children.

Juniors will commence at 1.30pm. Parents are also invited to come along and if you wish to take your Junior child home straight afterwards, please inform the teacher when the events are finished. Any Junior child not collected will be escorted back to school. If another person collects your child, please inform the teacher or the main office.

After school clubs (science, drama and American football) will take place as normal in the school.

The **NURSERY** Sports Day takes on a slightly different format. It will take place on **Wednesday 5th July** in the Nursery and parents can come along to watch.

AM children – Activities begin at 9.10am
PM children – Activities begin at 1.20pm
FT children – Children who attend all day Nursery will take part in both activities so parents can come along to either session.

After the children have finished their sporting challenges, there will be a small celebration in the Nursery for the children and parents. Once this is over, parents will be free to take their children home.

Full time Nursery children will remain at school for lunch.

FAITH FRIENDS

Our Faith Friends led prayer time for the Infant children today. They spoke about how we can welcome others and treat everyone we meet as if they were Jesus.

They asked the question:-

How can we make others feel welcome this week?

*God of all that is good,
Move us to share the power of your love and open your hearts in welcome to one another.
Amen.*



COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

Herbie, Nathan and Carter led collective worship for class A. They decided to tell the story of Jesus calming the storm. They told the class that if we feel scared we should ask Jesus for help and Jesus will always be there for us.



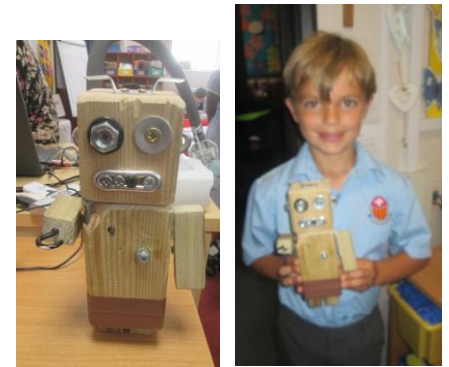
CHILDREN'S CORNER

This week....

Samuel Clarke, 4J, has been growing his own fruit. His grandad made him his own special planter and he has been experimenting growing strawberries and tomatoes this year. An excellent project to be involvd in.



Samuel Hallett made an amazing robot at home with his dad.



Ralph Crystal, 1D, worked very hard in his swimming lessons and got a certificate for reaching level 1.



Very well done to all the children!

PA NEWS

What a wonderful day we had at the Summer Fair. Thank you for coming along and supporting the event. The treasurer of the PA will confirm the profits once the finances are sorted. Every penny made will benefit the school and all the children here.

A HUGE THANK YOU TO:

- The parents for supporting the event by donating bottles, cakes, soft toys and for getting their children here on time ready for the various displays.
- Mrs Evans for organising the Country Dancing.
- Mrs McGarry and The Chamber Choir for their beautiful singing.
- The staff who turned up to run some of the stalls.
- All the volunteers who worked on the day, setting up and clearing up afterwards.
- All the PA members who devote their time to organising such a big event.

The **Annual School Magazine** can still be purchased (£2.50). Please look out for PA members selling it at school.

Y6 LEAVER'S PARTY SATURDAY 15TH JULY (4PM – 8PM)

This annual celebratory event for the Y6 children and their parents is taking place on Saturday 15th July, from 4pm – 8pm at St Mary's. The PA are asking for parent helpers to set up beforehand and for helping during the event.

Please email the PA with your details if you can spare some time.

stmaryspaeltham@gmail.com

Parents can purchase tickets for this event on Wisepay (£20 per adult).

AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

All after school clubs will finish for the term on week beginning Monday 10th July. Clubs will resume in the new academic year.

The children attending the gymnastics club will show their display to their parents on Tuesday 11th July at 4pm (Gym Hall).

The children attending the Friday drama club will have a performance for their parents on Friday 14th July at 4pm (Gym Hall)

Clubs will resume when the children return to school in September.

EDUCATIONAL TRIPS

Children in Y5 are visiting the Greenwich Islamic Centre on Tuesday 4th July. If you can assist on the trip please let your child's teacher know.

Children in Y3 are visiting the British Museum on Wednesday 5th July. Payment for this trip (£20) can be made through Wisepay. If payment is a concern, please contact the main office.

The Reception children are visiting Christchurch on Monday 3rd July.

CAREERS DAY

We are planning to have a Careers Day for the children in years 5 & 6 on Friday 14th July. This was very successful last year so we hope that we can repeat the same this year.

If you or you know someone who would like to come to the school to talk to the children, please contact the main office.

We would like people from different career backgrounds to show case their jobs so please contact us for more information

OPPORTUNITY TO WORK IN THE CENTRAL SERVICES TEAM

We are currently recruiting for a Senior Finance Assistant to work alongside the Finance Operations Lead in providing first class support to the school-based finance staff of our schools. Based at the Trust offices in Croydon this is a great opportunity for someone in an existing finance role to take the next step in their career. We offer flexible hours and will consider both term time only and full-time applications. Full details of the role can be found here

<https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/senior-finance-assistant-croydon-1882780>

Applications close on 03 July 2023