

St Mary's RC Primary School



Friday 3rd November
2023



@StMarys_SW8



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased to say we have planned some **family learning** dates for you to attend, with your child. The focus is reading and phonics. We hope you can join us on the dates below.

During these sessions you will find out more about...

- The expectations for your child and reading in their current year group.
- Examples of what the final assessment looks like.
- Homework expectations for reading.
- How you can support your child with reading at home

We will also share resources to take home and use for support.

We hope to see you all there!

Class	Date	Time
Nursery	Tuesday 14th November	9am
Reception	Wednesday 15th November	9am
Year 1	Thursday 9th November	3:30pm
Year 2	Thursday 23rd November	3:30pm
Year 3	Thursday 16th November	3:30pm
Year 4	Monday 20th November	3:30pm
Year 5	Monday 13th November	3:30pm
Year 6	Wednesday 15th November	3:30pm

Parents consultations

Parents consultations will take place on Thursday 30th November from 1:15pm. School will close early on this day, Nursery will finish at 12:45pm and Reception—Y6 will finish at 1pm.

To book your appointment, click this link:
<https://stmarysrbatt.schoolcloud.co.uk/>

Our Mission Statement

'A man took a grain of mustard seed and sowed it in his field. Indeed the seed is smaller than all other seeds but when it is grown, it is greater than the herbs, and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in its branches'

Matthew 13.31



Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 7th November—Y5 to British Museum

Thursday 9th November— Y2 class assembly

Thursday 9th November— Y1 family learning at 3:30pm

Monday 13th November— Y5 family learning at 3:30pm

Tuesday 14th November— Nursery family learning at 9am

Wednesday 15th November— Reception family learning at 9am

Wednesday 15th November—Y6 family learning at 3:30pm

Thursday 16th November— Y1 class assembly

Thursday 16th November— Y3 family learning at 3:30pm

Monday 20th—Friday 24th November—Y6 to Sayers Croft

Monday 20th November— Y4 family learning at 3:30pm

Wednesday 22nd November— Y4 to Winter Sounds concert rehearsal at the Civic Suite

Wednesday 22nd November— Flu vaccinations

Thursday 23rd November— Y2 family learning at 3:30pm

Tuesday 28th November— Y6 to Wisley

Thursday 30th November— Parents consultations—school will close early.
Nursery will finish at 12:45pm
Reception - Y6 will finish at 1pm

Monday 11th December— Y3 to Chelsea Theatre Pantomime

Tuesday 12th December— EYFS Nativity at 2pm

Wednesday 13th December— KS1 Nativity at 2pm

Wednesday 13th December— Y4 performance at the Winter Sounds concert in Fairfield Halls

Thursday 14th December - KS2 Advent Service

Thursday 14th December— Y1 to Chelsea Theatre Pantomime

Thursday 21st December - LAST DAY OF TERM—school will close early.



Which class has the best attendance and punctuality this week?



Class	Attendance	Lates
Nursery	93%	3
Reception	90%	5
Year 1	99%	4
Year 2	97%	11
Year 3	90%	3
Year 4	90%	2
Year 5	100%	1
Year 6	93%	3

Wednesday Word

The Wednesday word this week is **HUMBLE**

“Being humble helps us share the problems of others. When we live humbly, God takes our small efforts and creates great things”

Pope Francis



Parent Gym taster session Tuesday
10th October at 9am!



parentgym

Available here
Six weeks of free
parenting workshops



Have happier
and more
confident child

Get your
children to open
up and talk
more

Feel calmer
and have more
fun time with
your family

"You can't ask for a more amazing experience. You listen, you share, you connect. After each session of Parent Gym I could not avoid to feel lifted, full of energy and focused to keep it up."

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To secure your place free of charge, worth £1000 per parent.



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FOR PARENTS WHO CARE



Dear parents,

Come and give your parenting skills a 'workout'...
Parent Gym is coming to St Marys

We know from talking with parents that many of you wonder what you can do to give your children the best start in life (and make your life as a parent a bit easier too).

This is why we're delighted to offer Parent Gym, a well-established, six-week programme that shares and explores practical tips and strategies to make family life easier and help your children thrive.

All parents are welcome to apply and places will be filled on a first come first served basis. Through our relationship with Parent Gym the programme is free for parents.

Each weekly session lasts two hours, and will take place in the **Meeting room near the office** on:

Tuesday, from 9 - 11

Tuesday 10th October: Taster (45 mins) – shorter session for you to meet the coach and find out more about the sessions.

Tuesday 31st October: Chat (2 hours) – Help your family talk and listen to each other

Tuesday 7th Nov: Love (2 hours) – Build self-esteem and independence through secure attachments

Tuesday 14th Nov: Behave (2 hours) – Bring calm and order to your home

Tuesday 21st Nov: Care (2 hours) – Looking after ourselves and our families

Tuesday 28th Nov: Discover (2 hours) – Support your children to learn and explore

Tuesday 5th Dec: Together (2 hours) – Look to the future and recapping key techniques

To **confirm** your place, please speak to **Mrs Cadden** or ask **Molly at reception/the office**.



St Mary's RC Primary School Term Dates 2023-2024

Please be aware that some dates differ from those published by Wandsworth.
These are our term dates for the academic year.

Autumn Term 2023
INSET Day: 4th September
Autumn 1: 5th September - 20th October
Half Term: 23rd to 27th October
INSET Day: 30th October
Autumn 2: 31st October - 21st December
Spring Term 2024
Spring 1: 8th January - 9th February
Half Term: 12th - 16th February
Spring 2: 19th February - 28th March
Summer Term 2024
Summer 1: 15th April - 24th May
Half Term: 27th - 31st May
INSET Day: 3rd June
Summer 2: 4th June - 24th July
Two INSET Days TBC



Ten:Ten
Resources



November 2023

The feasts of All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day on 1st and 2nd along with Remembrance Day on 11th November highlight that this is traditionally the month when we remember and pray for the dead and ask God to bring them to their eternal rest in heaven. At the end of the month, we mark the end of the Liturgical Year with the great Solemnity of Christ the King. It's a busy month in the Church calendar and no doubt in the school calendar too!

This newsletter shares a glimpse of some of the prayer and liturgy resources that children will experience at school during this month. We hope you find this resource to be a useful addition to your family prayer time

For the rest of this newsletter please click the following link—

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for->



Individual photos will take place on
Tuesday 7th November 2023



HAVE YOUR SMILES READY... ...IT'S SCHOOL PHOTO TIME!



Be dressed
and ready for
Photo Day!

Make sure you
bring your best
smile!

Every child is
photographed
for our school
records.

How it works...



On the day or shortly afterwards,
your child will bring home an
access code



Log-in, view your images and
get creative using our simple
photo editing tools



Order by your deadline to take
advantage of timed-discounts



Share your code with family
and friends



Don't forget! We will deliver your
order to your preferred address
free of charge!



'Effortless School Photography'



Are you pregnant or have children under the age of 4?

You could get help to buy:

- Plain cow's milk
- Fresh, frozen or tinned fruit and vegetables
- Fresh, dried, and tinned pulses
- Infant formula milk

You can also get free Healthy Start vitamins.

www.healthystart.nhs.uk
@NHSHealthyStart

Scan the QR Code to register your interest for the Healthy Start Scheme / Free School Meals and we will contact you.



For more information and advice you can visit your local Wandsworth Children's Centre or Family Hub.

Call: **Paula - 07866 123 708**

Kathy - 07971 005 884



How to support your child's **READING**

learn to

love to

read

Who: For Reception, Year 1
and 2 parents

Where: St Mary's
RC Primary School

When: Wednesday
8th November 2023
9:00-10:00am





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LET'S CHAT, PLAY, SING AND READ TOGETHER!

Sessions for parents and their children aged 2 to 4 years

Where: York Gardens Library

When: 1:30-2:15pm

**Mondays 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th
November 2023 (4-week programme)**



Storytime



**Gifts each
week**



**Playing
games**



Singing



Tips

Please sign up on our website
<https://bit.ly/46syqCb>





POWER TO CONNECT

Free Family Online Safety and Digital Skills Course



To book your
place contact Megan
from Power to
Connect on
07934553192

Are you a parent or caregiver who wants to learn more about the digital world and keeping your children safe online?



**YVONNE CARR CENTRE
2 THESSALY ROAD,
NINE ELMS, SW8 4HT**



**Start: 14th November
Finish: 5th December
Tuesdays, 10am-12pm**

Join our 4-session course designed to help you gain knowledge and understanding of the risks you and your children may face online. We explore topics such as **social media, online gaming, parental restrictions and privacy settings.** We'll also provide an introduction to Google and all the amazing things it has to offer.

On completing the course you will receive your own refurbished Power to Connect Tablet.

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