

St Mary's RC Primary School



Friday 12th January
2024



@StMarys_SW8



Dear parents and carers,

Happy new year to you all. We hope you all had a peaceful and happy Christmas break.

It was a pleasure to see the pupils returning on Monday, ready to start the new year with positive mind sets.

We are keen to invite you to a special parent event on **Tuesday 23rd January 9-10.30am**. For every parent attending you will be entered in to a draw to win a hamper (full of goodies and treats for you!). The event will have friendly experts available to help you with keeping your child safe on the internet, finding out more about services in the borough that can support you and we will be informing you all about the 'zones of regulation' we use in school and how they help your child. There will be more guests...further details to follow. We hope to see you there. Hopefully there will be something for everyone.

2024
— HAPPY NEW YEAR —

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

Food collection

We are incredibly lucky to receive on-going support from City Harvest every week which allows us to deliver a weekly food bank to our parents.

Our food bank takes place every Tuesday so if you are interested, please come along from 3:15pm.



Dates for your Diary

Monday 15th January – INSET Day

Monday 22nd January - After school Disney event

Tuesday 23rd January - Parent Inclusion Event

Monday 29th January– School Council to Houses of Parliament

Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February - Half Term

Thursday 22nd February—Reception to National Gallery

Thursday 7th March—World Book Day!

Thursday 14th March—Y2 to Tate Modern

Monday 18th March—Y4 to National Gallery

Thursday 21st March—Book Fair starts!

Thursday 21st March– Parents Consultations—school will close early

Monday 25th March—Y4 and Y5 perform at Lyceum Theatre

Thursday 28th March - Last day of term, school will close early for the
Easter break

Wednesday Word

The Wednesday word this week is NEW START

“Let us allow God’s constant help to make us new people”

Pope Francis

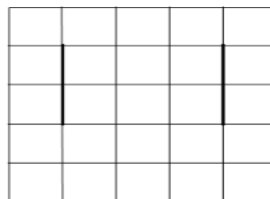
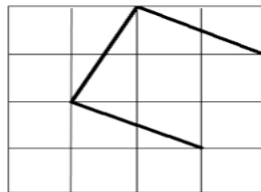
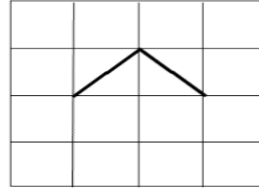
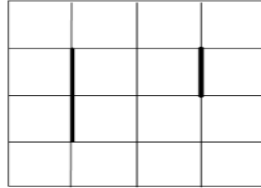


KS1 and KS2 Maths Challenge!



KS1 challenge answer- There are 2 presents, 10 candles and 13 baubles. There are 26 objects including the tree. Well done to all who attempted this challenge, especially Ellie in Y2 for her efforts this week.

Can you complete each picture so that it shows a square?



KS2 challenge- Each red present weighs 3 kg. Well done to all who solved the challenge successfully, especially to Oliver Y5 and Kinga Y5 who showed their excellent strategies!



Using the image above, how many different ways can you find of writing $\frac{1}{2}$?

From the picture, what equivalent fractions for $\frac{1}{3}$ can you find?

Again, using the image of the fraction wall, how else could you write $\frac{3}{4}$?

Can you find any "rules" for working out equivalent fractions?



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

Education Wellbeing Service Webinar

NHS
South West London and
St George's Mental Health
NHS Trust

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Understanding and Supporting Your Child's Sleep

Sleep is incredibly important for us all and in some ways, even more so for children. This workshop is for parents and carers of primary school-aged children and will introduce some of the science and research on childhood sleep. It will also explore practical ways that you can support your child's sleep, including sleep hygiene, implementing routines, step-by-step approaches and some useful resources.



DATE / TIME

Tuesday 16th January 1-2 pm

Wednesday 17th January 7-8 pm

LOCATION

Online - Hosted on Teams

Sign up to this event for free on Eventbrite (and check out our others!) by scanning the QR Code or following the link below:

[Click here to book](#)



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Ten:Ten
Resources



January 2024

The new year has arrived and some of you may have already taken your Christmas tree and decorations, but it's not yet time to put away all signs of Christmas. Some families like to leave the crib on display until the wise men have visited and delivered their gifts to Jesus, the newborn King.

The 6th of January is the Feast of the Epiphany and is celebrated in many churches on the Sunday of that week. We have created a special assembly that may be used in schools, and which explores the Epiphany through children's experience of giving gifts.

This is a perfect opportunity to reflect on what we can give to Jesus as we start afresh in 2024 with the reminder that Jesus is the most perfect gift of love from God to all of us!

This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout January and suggests ways for you to engage with them about it. We hope and pray that the new year brings peace and blessings for you and your family.

To read the January 2024 newsletter please click this link here-

<http://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

POWER TO CONNECT

Digital Drop Ins



These free sessions give you an opportunity to visit us with your device or use one of the devices available, sit down with a member of our team, and receive assistance with a specific problem or enhance your tech skills.

****Booking is not required, but please keep in mind you may need to wait to chat to one of our volunteers****

January 2024 - June 2024

BATTERSEA LIBRARY

265 LAVENDER HILL, SW11 1JB

**Every Monday
10am-12pm**

ROEHAMPTON LIBRARY

2 DANEBURY AVENUE, ROEHAMPTON, SW15 4HD

**Every Monday
2pm-4pm**

TOOTING LIBRARY

75 MITCHAM ROAD, SW17 9PD

**Every Friday
2pm - 4pm**

Important Notice

Digital Drop-ins will NOT be available:
Week commencing 12th February 2024
Week commencing 1st April 2024
Week commencing 8th April 2024
Week commencing 27th May 2024



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Free Introduction to Vinted Course



What is Vinted?

Vinted is an online marketplace for buying and selling secondhand clothing and accessories.



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**Tuesday 23rd January
2024, 10am-1pm**

In this short course you will:

- Be introduced to Vinted Market Place
- Learn the art of product photography
- Learn efficient packing and shipping techniques
- Gain valuable tips and tricks

To book your place contact Megan from Power to Connect on
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Family Hubs Virtual Workshops for Parents/Carers

Enjoying Time with Your Child Understanding Their Behaviour

~ Monday 22nd January ~ 1.30 - 2.30pm

Join Henrietta and Daniel (Educational Psychologists) to hear more about understanding your child's behaviour and how you can enjoy the time you spend with your child even more.



To register your interest please email or text Hannah for the link
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