

Dear parents and carers,

May is the month of Mary and the Church asks us to pray the Rosary during this month. St Mary's, Sacred Heart and Holy Ghost will be joining together for a virtual Rosary on Friday mornings and on Tuesday they will join schools across the Archdiocese for a virtual Rosary celebration led by Archbishop John.

Thursday is also the Feast of the Ascension. The children in years 2-6 will be joining the 10am Parish Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel. Parents are of course welcome.

We will be holding a family Rosary group at 9am led by Deacon Michael on the 21st May in the Prayer garden. Again families are most welcome.

We wish you all a happy and safe bank holiday weekend-see you all on Tuesday!

RUN BATTERSEA RUN 2024

Over 100 children registered to take part in the Run Battersea Run event on Sunday 28th April. Children from Nursery right through to Y6 took on the 1km & 2km challenge at Battersea Park's Millennium Arena. Thank you and well done to all of the children and adults that took part. A special thank you to the staff and parents who volunteered to help the organisation of the event! We are hoping to have raised over £5,000 for Playground equipment for both playgrounds!!



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

Wednesday Word

The Wednesday word this week is LOVE

"The families strength lies in its capacity to love and to teach how to love. Let us ask the Lord for the grace to love everyone"

Pope Francis

Key Dates – Summer Term 2024

Date	Event	
Tuesday 7 th May	Y4 to Apple at BPS	
Thursday 9 th May	Y2 parents optional SATs meeting	
Thursday 9 th May	Ascension Mass	
Monday 13 th May	KS2 SATs start	
Thursday 16 th May	Y3 Mass at OLMC	
Friday 17 th May	Y6 TFL travel workshop (pm)	
Tuesday 21 st May	Y3 Schools to Market workshop	
Thursday 23 rd May	Y4 class assembly	
Thursday 23 rd May	Y2 Mass at OLMC	
Monday 27 th – Friday 31 st May	HALF TERM	
Monday 3 rd June	Inset day – school will be closed to all	
Thursday 6 th June	Y3 class assembly	
Thursday 13 th June	Y2 class assembly	
Thursday 13 th June	Y6 mass at OLMC	
Thursday 20 th June	Y1 class assembly	
Thursday 20 th June	EYFS mass at OLMC	
Friday 21 st June	Y3 trip to Farm	
Thursday 27 th June	YR class assembly	
Thursday 27 th June	St Peter & St Paul Mass at OLMC	
Friday 28 th June	Multi Cultural Evening	
Tuesday 2nd July	Y5 Maths tournament at Emanuel School	
Wednesday 3rd July	Y6 to Imperial War Museum	
Thursday 4th July	Y5 to Kew Gardens	
Thursday 4 th July	Y2 Mass at OLMC	
Monday 8th July	Y4 Battersea Park Cricket Tournament	
Wednesday 10 th July	Market Day at Whole Foods Clapham Junction	
Wednesday 10 th July	Y6 Production	
Friday 12 th July	EYFS/KS1 Sport's Day	
Thursday 18 th July	Y6 mass at OLMC	
Wednesday 24 th July	Last day of term- end of the academic year	

Writing Family Learning Summer 2024

Class	Date	Time
Nursery	Tuesday 14 th May	9am
Reception	Friday 17 th May	9am
Year 1	Thursday 16 th May	9am
Year 2	Thursday 9 th May	9am
Year 3	Wednesday 15 th May	9am
Year 4	Monday 13 th May	9am
Year 5	Wednesday 8 th May	3.30pm
Year 6	Wednesday 22 nd May	3.30pm



KS1 challenge

KS1 Challenge:

If 29 St Mary's children ran 1 mile each, how far did they run altogether?

If Mr Esa ran a 26 mile marathon on Sunday, who ran further – Mr Esa or all of the children combined?

KS2 challenge

KS2 Challenge:

29 St Mary's children ran 1 mile for the London Mini Marathon on Saturday. If 1 mile = 1609 metres, how many metres did they run altogether?





FAMILY CONTACT OF CONT

Join in a family bike ride at 10am from Café in the Park in Wandsworth Park to Colicci Café in Richmond Park

Suitable for all the family!

Dr Bike will be offering free bike maintance checks before the event from 9:30am.

Ride Route (4 miles): https://goo.gl/maps/ twMiZzm49duVDLTM8

Wandsworth

Book your place online. 30 riders maximum. www.wandsworth.gov.uk/family-cycle-rides

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St Mary's RC Primary School

Term Dates 2024 - 2025

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

Autumn '	Term	2024
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INSET Day: 2nd September

First Day: 3rd September

Half Term: 28th October to 1st November

INSET Day: 4th November

Last Day: 20th December

Spring Term 2025
First Day: 6th January
Half Term: 17th to 21st February
Last Day: 4th April

Summer Term 2025
First Day: 22nd April
Bank Holiday: 5th May
Half Term: 26th to 30th May
INSET Day: 2nd June
Last Day: 22nd July
Two INSET Days TBC





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How to get there:



Buses: 28, 37, 39, 44, 87, 156, 170, 220, 270, 337 Nearest Train Stations: Wandsworth Town and Clapham Junction.

There is no parking at the Civic Suite or Town Hall. Nearest car park is Sainsburys or Southside car park off Garratt Lane.

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Due to a recent surge in Measles cases in London, we have been asked to share the following information.



Measles factsheet

What measles is

Measles infection is caused by a virus, and spreads between people very easily. Once symptoms start, people can become unwell quickly. You can get measles at any age, but it is often young children who catch it.

How measles spreads

You can catch measles through close contact with someone who has measles. This could be from the air when they cough or sneeze, or by touching things that someone with measles has coughed or sneezed on. Measles spreads very easily in households and in other places where people mix closely together.

You can be protected from catching measles if you have had 2 doses of the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine, or if you have had the infection before.

A person with measles can spread the infection in the 4 days before they get the rash until 4 days after they develop their rash.

Symptoms of measles

Symptoms of measles usually start between 10 and 12 days after catching the infection. Sometimes it can take up to 21 days for any symptoms to appear.

Measles usually starts with cold-like symptoms. The first symptoms of measles include:

- a high temperature
- a runny or blocked nose
- sneezing
- a cough
- red, sore, watery eyes

Small white spots may appear inside the cheeks and on the back of the lips a few days later. These spots usually last a few days.

A rash usually appears 2 to 4 days after the cold-like symptoms started. The rash starts on the face and behind the ears before spreading to the rest of the body.

The spots of the measles rash can sometimes be raised. They may join to form blotchy patches. They are not usually itchy.

The rash looks brown or red on white skin. It may be harder to see on brown and black skin.

How serious is measles?

Around 1 in 15 people with measles can become seriously unwell. Younger children, pregnant women and people with weakened immune systems are more likely to become seriously unwell.





The more serious complications of measles can include:

- ear infections
- lung infection (pneumonia)
- diarrhoea
- dehydration
- fits (which are less common)

Measles infection during pregnancy can result in the loss or early birth of the baby.

Preventing measles

Having the MMR vaccine is the best way to prevent measles.

The vaccine is usually given to children in two doses. The first dose is given to children aged 12 months old, and the second dose is given after they are 3 years and 4 months old.

If your child is identified as a close contact of someone with measles, sometimes your doctor may recommend the MMR vaccine is given earlier than these scheduled doses. If a dose if given to an infant aged under 12 months then the usual 2 doses of MMR still need to be given at the usual times (with a minimum of 1 month gap between any doses).

If someone has missed a dose or are unsure if they have had any vaccinations, the vaccine can be given at any age. Parents and guardians can check their child's red book for their vaccination records.

Pregnant women or people with weakened immune systems should not have the vaccine. If they think they have had contact with someone with measles they should speak to their GP or midwife for further advice.

For more information on MMR vaccinations visit:

http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/mmr-vaccine

Or scan the QR code:







A person with measles can spread the infection in the 4 days before they get the rash. Once a person has the rash, they can still spread the infection for another 4 days.

If you have been told by a healthcare professional that you might have measles, you should stay away from childcare, school or work for at least 4 days from when your rash first appeared. You can return to your normal activities after 4 days if you feel well and you no longer have a temperature.

Treatments for people with measles

Measles usually starts to get better in about a week.

It can help to rest and drink plenty of fluids, such as water, to avoid dehydration.

Measles can sometimes cause other illnesses. You may be given antibiotics to treat them.

If you have been told by a healthcare professional that you might have measles and think that you or your child are developing more serious health effects, you should contact your GP.

Further information on measles is available at:

http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/measles

Or scan the QR code:









May 2024

May begins amidst the joy of Eastertide and there is more rejoicing at the end of the month when Christians celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Church at Pentecost.

May is also known as 'The Month of Our Lady', a time to remember that Mary is Jesus' mother and our mother too. This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout May and suggests ways for you to engage with them about it. We hope it is a useful resource for your family prayer time.

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

http://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parentnewsletter/