

St Mary's RC Primary School



Friday 20th September
2024



@StMarys_SW8



Dear parents and carers,

We enjoyed a positive start to our after school clubs this week. On offer this term we have homework club, football, tennis, cooking, Curiosity Club, lunchtime choir club and World Heart Beat studios are offering a music club, which we take pupils to in Nine Elms.

The teachers are all also busy planning further enrichment opportunities to come including visits to museums, performances in music concerts, residential trips, theatre trips...and so much more! Details will follow. We always make the most of what London has to offer us in terms of enriching our pupils' learning.

Thank you to all the parents who have attended the open classrooms the last two weeks-it has been a pleasure to invite you in to school.

Lastly, the pupils in years 4/5/6 are busy preparing for their park run debut (some have of course already started!) which we hope will take place on Sunday 10th November in Battersea Park at 10am-confirmation and more details will follow. In the meantime we encourage our pupils to stay active and get out there and start running, or any other forms of exercise that interest you!



Year 4 are already training for their
Park Run debut!



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

INSET DAY!

School will be closed on Monday 7th October for an INSET day.

School will be closed to all children.



Wednesday Word

The Wednesday word this week is SERVING

“Jesus leads us to go out from ourselves more and more, to give ourselves and to serve others”
Pope Francis

Please take a look at this important link for more information regarding attendance.

<https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/schools-and-admissions/schools/school-absence-and-attendance/>



Class assemblies will start at 9am in the school hall. Please come to the office for a sharp 9am start!

Date	Class
27 Sept	6
2 Oct	5
9 Oct	4
16 Oct	3
23 Oct	2
13 Nov	1



Maths Challenge!



KS1 Challenge:

1. Think of one of the numbers from 1 to 9.
2. Add 9 to your number.
3. Add the digits of your answer together. What is your new number?

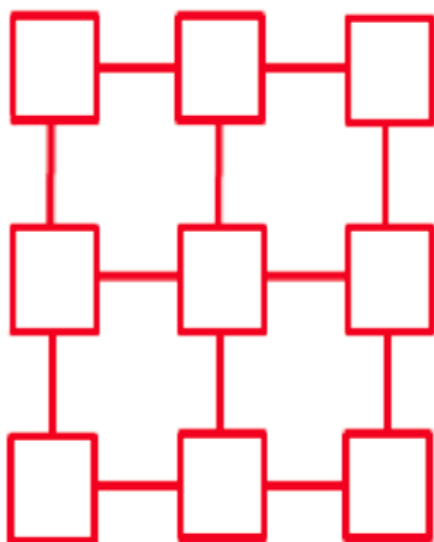
What do you notice?

Try the trick again with a new starting number from 1 to 9. What do you notice now?

Will this always happen if you start with a number from 1 to 9?

KS2 Challenge:

Place the numbers from 1 to 9 in the squares below so that the difference between joined squares is odd.
(You must use each of the numbers once.)



Can you find some other ways to do this?



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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
INSET Day: 2nd September
First Day: 3rd September
INSET Day: 7th October
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: 21st July
One INSET Day TBC



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Term Dates 2025 - 2026

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

Autumn Term 2025
INSET Day: 1st September
First Day: 2nd September
Half Term: 27th October to 31st October
INSET Day: 3rd November
Last Day: 19th December
Spring Term 2026
First Day: 5th January
Half Term: 16th to 20th February
Last Day: 27th March
Summer Term 2026
First Day: 13th April
Half Term: 25th to 29th May
INSET Day: 1st June
Last Day: 17th July
Two INSET Days TBC



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St George's Mental Health
NHS Trust

Education Wellbeing Service

Parent Webinars For Early Years Parents & Carers

Autumn Term SCHEDULE 2024

16TH or 18TH September

**Goodbyes and Goodnights:
Building your child's
confidence and independence**

For early years parents & carers

14TH or 16TH October

**Toilet Time: Supporting your
child with toilet training**

For early years parents & carers

2ND or 4TH December

**Building Strong Bonds:
The Circle of Security for a
Healthy and Secure Attachment**

For early years parents & carers

We also provide free 1:1 early support for parents of Early Years children to support their child's common worries and anxieties or support children's tricky or challenging behaviours, speak to your school to find out more

Scan the QR Code or follow the
link to sign up to any of these
free local NHS parent webinars
and hear more

[Click here
to sign up](#)





POWER TO CONNECT

Digital Drop Ins



These free sessions give you the opportunity to connect with others on all things digital, share tips and get expert advice from our Digital Champion volunteers. Visit us with your device or use one of the devices available.

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

Autumn 2024 (September - December)

BATTERSEA LIBRARY

265 LAVENDER HILL, SW11 1JB

**Every Monday
10am-12pm**

ROEHAMPTON LIBRARY

2 DANEURY 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 28th October 2024



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Strengthening Families, Strengthening Communities (SFSC)

Yvonne Carr Children's Centre

Thursdays 9.30-12.30

STARTING September 19th – December 12th 2024

What is the SFSC group?

To support parents and carers to develop and increase their parenting skills. It promotes: positive parent-child relationships; a range of life skills; self-esteem; strong ethnic and cultural roots and positive discipline methods.

How do you know this group is for you?

Anyone with responsibilities caring for a children aged 0-18 years.

How can the group help?

The course includes how to handle stress and manage anger as well as learning how to build positive family relationships and how to value family and cultural traditions within their home. Helping to build self-esteem and confidence in your child and promote a sense of wellbeing and confidence as a parent.

How long do the groups run for?

Face to face: 13 weeks for 3 hrs

You will be given a parent manual when you come to group.

What Parents Say?

'I am shouting less and am calmer'

'My relationship with my daughter is better...'

'In my opinion every parent should/must do this group '

Contact: WandsworthLINKS@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk





Ten:Ten
Resources



September 2024

September marks the return to term-time and as your children get used to routines, a new class or maybe even school, the new term promises to bring lots of change.

Our September resources have a new look and introduce new ways of praying but in amongst all the change and newness, this month we remember God's unchanging nature and how extraordinary change can come when we allow God's love to work in and through us.

This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout September 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 September 2024 newsletter please click this link here-

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