

St Mary's RC Primary School



Friday 8th
November 2024



@StMarys_SW8



Dear parents and carers,

Next week is anti bullying week. On Tuesday we ask you to join us in wearing odd socks (to celebrate the fact that we are all different) and in assembly on Monday we will be thinking about how we can 'choose respect' to ensure bullying does not take place here at St Mary's.



We mark Anti Bullying week every year, but address the issue throughout the year in many ways, including through our assemblies, PSHE lessons and through the support of our Learning Mentor and our playground buddies.

What is Anti-Bullying Week?

Anti-Bullying Week is an annual event that aims to raise awareness of bullying of young people, with an emphasis on prevention and effective responses to bullying. It began in 2002 and is coordinated by the charity **Anti-Bullying Alliance**.

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2024: 'CHOOSE RESPECT' CALL TO ACTION

From playgrounds to parliament, our homes to our phones, this Anti-Bullying Week let's 'Choose Respect' and bring an end to bullying which negatively impacts millions of young lives.

This year, we'll empower children and young people to not resort to bullying, even when we disagree and remind adults to lead by example, online and offline.

Imagine a world where respect and kindness thrives - it's not just a dream, it's in the choices we make. Join us this Anti-Bullying Week and commit to 'Choose Respect'. What will you choose?



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

Parents consultations

Parents consultations will take place on Thursday 28th November from 1:15pm.

School will close at 1pm.



Wednesday Word

The Wednesday word this week is GIFT

"Life is a precious gift, but we realise this only when we give it to others"
Pope Francis



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

Date	Class
20th Nov	1

Birthday Invites

Please could we ask that you do not ask school to hand out birthday party invites, unless there is one for each child, as this can understandably cause upset. Thank you for your support with this.

Pupil Recipe Competition - Autumn 2024

Pupils are invited to design a meal suitable to be used as a school meal comprising of either a meat, fish or vegetarian dish, plus a carbohydrate accompaniment and a vegetable or salad dish using the principles of 'The Eatwell Plate' with emphasis on the use of fresh produce.

Entries Must Include:

- ✓ Protein Ingredient – meat, fish, eggs, beans (no seafood)
- ✓ Carbohydrate Accompaniment – bread, rice, potatoes, pasta
- ✓ Fresh Vegetables (and can also include fruit if you wish)

You Must Not Use:

- ✗ Nuts or anything made from nuts
- ✗ Soya or soya ingredients
- ✗ Sesame or ingredients that contain sesame
- ✗ Mustard or any ingredients that contain mustard
- ✗ Processed foods – like burgers, sausages or processed meat alternatives
- ✗ Artificial colourings or flavourings
- ✗ Saturated fats, i.e., butter

Two winning entries (one from KS1 and one from KS2) chosen from across the borough of Wandsworth will appear on the Spring/Summer 2025 menu cycle for all schools within the central contract. Pick up your entry form from the school office today. Closing date for entries is Friday 6th December 2024.

HARRISON
food with thought

If your child would like to enter this competition, please see Molly in the office for an entry



Maths Challenge!



KS1 Challenge:

Use these cards to make some number sentences:



For example:



In each number sentence you must only use a card once, but of course you can re-use them in your next number sentence if you want to.

Can you find a way to use all the cards in one number sentence?

Can you find all the possible ways to use the cards?

KS2 Challenge:

**Louise is thinking of a 4-digit number.
Here are some clues to the number.**

The number lies between 4,000
and 5,000

All the digits are different

The digit in the tens place is twice
the digit in the thousands place

The sum of the digits is 24

The number is odd

**What could Louise's number
be?**



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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

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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



junior parkrun – where everyone is



welcome

junior parkrun is a free, fun, friendly, weekly, community event organised by volunteers of all ages for children aged 4 to 14.

2k junior parkrun events take place on Sunday mornings and are for the whole community to come together to walk, jog, run and volunteer. Join in on the fun at junior parkrun!



junior parkrun



St Mary's Primary School x Battersea junior parkrun Headliner event on Sunday 10th November

Junior parkrun is a **free**, 2k community event where you can **walk, jog, run, volunteer or spectate**. It is for 4-14 year olds and their families and friends, **every Sunday morning at 9am**. junior parkrun is positive, welcoming and inclusive, there is no time limit and no one finishes last. Everyone is welcome to come along and join the fun!

Excitingly, we are running a Headliner event with Battersea junior parkrun on Sunday 10th November! We encourage all children, families and friends to come along for a fun morning! It will be an amazing experience to walk, jog, run or volunteer with so many friends at junior parkrun.

You can register for parkrun for free here - www.parkrun.org.uk/register/

Here are details for Battersea junior parkrun:

Address: Battersea Park, London, SW11 4NJ.

Every Sunday, at 9am (arrive at 8:45am for the fun warm up).

This flat course starts on the path in front of the Hut near the corner of All Weather Sports Ground. The route is two laps in a clockwise direction, the majority of it is on tarmac with the finish on grass, just a few meters from the start. There are three toilet facilities in the park; the closest to the start/finish are the Beechmore toilets close to Sun Gate - behind the children's playground.

For more information see the website below.

www.parkrun.org.uk/battersea-juniors/

If you are interested in volunteering, please email us on batterseajuniors@parkrun.com, it is great fun and a lovely way to meet new people!



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love to

read

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

FREE Sessions for parents and their children
aged 2 to 4 years

Where: St. Mary's Primary School

When: 9.00-9.45 am

Wednesdays 20th, 27th Nov and 4th, 11th Dec 2024
(4 week programme)



Share books



Gifts



Playing
games



Singing



Tips

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





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

FREE Sessions for parents and their children aged
2 to 4 years

Where: Burridge Gardens Community Centre,
Comyn Road, SW11 1UD

When: 10:30-11:10am on Tuesday 12th, 19th, 26th
November and 3rd December 2024



Storytime



Gifts each
week



Playing
games



Singing



Tips

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Family Hubs Virtual Workshops for Parents/Carers

Pathways of support

Monday 4th Nov 2024

1- 2.15pm

New time

- Do you have any concerns about the progress your child is making?
- Are you unsure of where to go to for support?

Join Monika Hammel-Lobo and colleague from the Early Years Inclusion Team as they share where to start in getting support for your child



Or scan the QR code below to join

For more information and to book a place please email
for a Teams link

Hannah.skaife@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk

or call/text: 07974 586467





Family Hubs Virtual Workshops for Parents/Carers

Enjoying Time with Your Child

Part 1: Understanding Their Behaviour

Monday 18th Nov 1 - 2.15pm

New time

Part 2: Approaches and Strategies for Encouraging Positive Behaviour

Monday 25th Nov 1 - 2.15pm

Join Daniel and Phoebe (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.



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Family Hubs Virtual Workshops for Parents/Carers

September - December 2024
Fortnightly Mondays 1 - 2.15pm

New time



Grab yourself a cuppa and enjoy some helpful tips and support on a range of topics aimed at the **under 5s** from Wandsworth colleagues and partners, **all online**

Date	Topic	Delivered by:
16 th Sep	Supporting your child's communication, under 3s	Jo Hardman Specialist Speech and Language Therapist
30 th Sep	Using Makaton with Young Children	Jenny Prior Speech and Language Therapist and Makaton Tutor
14 th Oct	How to support your child with social communication differences	Jo Hardman Specialist Speech and Language Therapist
4 th Nov	Pathways of support Concerned about your child's progress? Next steps in support	Monika Hammel-Lobo Lead Early Years SEND Inclusion Advisor (and joined by EY SEND colleague)
18 th Nov	Enjoying time with your child part 1 Understanding their behaviour	Daniel Sellwood and Phoebe Oliver Educational Psychologists
25 th Nov	Enjoying time with your child part 2 Approaches and Strategies for Encouraging Positive Behaviour	Daniel Sellwood and Phoebe Oliver Educational Psychologists
2 nd Dec	Introducing Solids	Daisy Gresswell Infant Feeding and Healthy Weight Team Lead
16 th Dec	Developing a love of reading through play	Tara Coffin Director, Learn to love to Read

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Health4Life

learn to
love to
read





Ten:Ten
Resources



November 2024

November is a month of special feasts starting with the Solemnity of All Saints and Feast of All Souls and ending with the Solemnity of Christ the King which marks the end of the liturgical year.

Our November resources invite children to explore what is most important. The Gospels encourage us to prioritise God over all things and love our neighbour. Jesus explains that true generosity of heart means giving with the confidence to trust that God will provide us with all that we need and He is always there ready to help and guide us.

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

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