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**BRONZE AWARD** 

Dear parents and carers,

It has been an extremely busy and enriching end to the half term, marking the midpoint of the academic year as we celebrate our progress thus far and anticipate future successes. Year 1 enjoyed a fantastic trip to Clip and Climb, whilst improving their coordination and strength. Our Choir represented St Mary's and sang

beautifully at the Mayor's Gala Concert at the Civic Suite. We also had the pleasure of meeting

author Smriti Halls, who inspired us with her love of storytelling. Our St Mary's 'Bake Off' was a delightful success, supporting our local community. Additionally, the Wandsworth Air Quality team helped us understand the importance of clean air, and Year 6 engaged with the Battersea Society to learn about 'Growing Up in Wartime Battersea.'

Thank you for your continued support and we wish you a happy and safe half term holiday.



#### 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

<u>Wednesday Word</u> The Wednesday word this week is TRUST

"Put your **trust** in God! The beatitudes are Jesus' way of life." Pope Francis

Please click the link below for the termly St Mary's P.E and Sports newsletter!

http://eepurl.com/i9JZyo







#### The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven. may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth. when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen







### February 2025

The dark mornings and evenings are still with us as we celebrate Candlemas, the feast of The Presentation of the Lord, on 2nd February. This feast day marks the official end of the Christmas season in the Catholic Church and reminds us again that Jesus is the light who came into the world to save us.

Throughout February, children will consider how Jesus, Light of the World, invites us to follow Him and leads us to joy, peace and truth. To read the rest of the ten ten parents newsletter please click this link below!

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Free Dance Opportunity from the Royal Academy of Dance

On 2nd March, the Royal Academy of Dance are hosting a day of free workshops called 'let's dance: a day of dance classes'.
There are still spaces in the Family Dance Movement (ages 2 ½ -3 years), Kids Hip-Hop (ages 8-12) and Beginners Ballet (ages 13-17).

For more information and to book a space please click the link below https://www.royalacademyofdance.org/event/lets-dance-a-day-ofdance-classes-with-royal-academy-of-dance/





## ST MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL

## Family Learning Week W/b 24th February 2025

	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup>
	at 9am	at 9am	26 <sup>th</sup> at 9am	27 <sup>th</sup> at 9am	at 9am
Event	Zones of	Reading	Online	Learning in	(years 1-6
	regulation	breakfast	safety-Helen	class rooms-	only)
	parent talk		Savage City	class	Mathletics
			Learning	teachers	and TT
			Centre		Rockstars-
					Mr
					Shoubber
Place	Small hall	Main hall	Small hall	Classrooms	Classroom

For every session you attend, you will receive a raffle ticket-and a chance to win a prize of a hamper full of goodies, a voucher for Wagamama, No 29 The Power Station or afternoon tea at the Art'otel!



## **Important Spring term dates!**



Monday 17th February- Fri- day 21st February	Half Term
Monday 24th February	Zones of regulation parent talk at 9am
Tuesday 25th February	Family Reading Breakfast 9am
Tuesday 25th February	Y1 celebration of the Word-2pm-Y1 parents welcome
Wednesday 26th February	Online Safety session for parents with Helen Savage at 9am
Thursday 27th February	Learning in classrooms at 9am-all parents wel- come
Friday 28th February	Mathletics and TT Rockstars workshop with Mr Shoubber at 9am
Tuesday 4th March	Y3 visit Battersea Power Station
Wednesday 5th March	Y2—Y6 Ash Wednesday Mass 10am
Thursday 6th March	World Book Day
Thursday 6th March	NIPA coffee morning
Friday 7th March	Y2 and Y5 Fire Brigade Workshops
Tuesday 11th March	Nursery Celebration of the Word –2pm-N par- ents welcome
Wednesday 12th March	Y2 optional SATs parents session at 3:30pm
Tuesday 18th March	Reception Celebration of the Word-2pm-R par- ents welcome
Tuesday 18th March	Y6 to Mayor's Parlour
Thursday 27th March	Parents Consultations-school closes at lunchtime



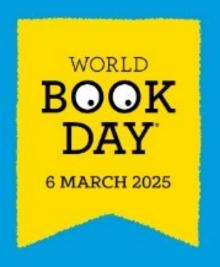






Dear Parents / Carers,

As you are aware it is World Book Day in the UK on the Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March. The theme this year is <u>"Read Your Way!"</u> Read Your Way calls on everyone to let go of pressure and expectations, giving children a choice – and a chance – to enjoy reading!



There are two things we would like parents and carers to think about.

Please can you bring in a white/ pale coloured t-shirt (an old school polo shirt would work!) and give to your class teacher by Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March. This will be decorated on World Book Day as a project in class. There will **not** be dressing up this year.

If you do not have a white / light coloured t shirt and will not be able to access one, please see Molly in the school office as soon as possible.

Show us Reading YOUR Way! Think about a place where you like to read/ how you like to read. An adult can take a photo of you or you can draw a picture of you in that place. This will be a competition! Send in your photo to your teacher via class dojo by Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March.

Thank you all very much for your support.





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



#### Free sessions for parents and their children aged 2 to 4 years







#### Free books and other gifts every week

Where: Yvonne Carr Children's Centre When: 1.30-2.10pm Wednesdays 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th March

#### Please sign up: by clicking here <u>https://bit.ly/46syqCb</u> or email sally@l2l2r.org or message or call 07859883798

#### or scan here





## Maths Challenge!





KS1 Challenge: if all 8 classes, made 30 cakes each, how many cakes did they make all together?

KS2 Challenge: If the school sold 175 cakes for 50p each. How much money did they make altogether? Give your answer in £.



Our Eco Ambassadors have been busy find out how we all travel to school (see results below). Well done us!! The majority of children walk, or travel by scooter and the minority of staff travel by car!

	Students (%)	Staff (%)		
Car		19%	7%	
Bus		16%	26%	
Train or tram		1%	33%	
Walk, cycle or scoot		64%	34%	







#### 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
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







#### St Mary's RC Primary School

#### 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





#### POWER TO CONNECT

# Digital Drop Ins

NO BOOKING REQUIRED! BUT, PLEASE NOTE YOU MAY NEED TO WAIT TO CHAT WITH ONE OF OUR VOLUNTEERS AND SPACES ARE LIMITED

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.

#### Jan 2025 - Feb 2025 - Mar 2025

\*\*Sessions run from w/c 13th January to w/c 31st March, with a pause for half-term during w/c 17th February\*\*

#### MONDAY

BATTERSEA LIBRARY 265 LAVENDER HILL, SW11 1JB 10AM 12PM ROEHAMPTON LIBRARY 2 DANEBURY AVENUE, SW15 4HB 2PM - 4PM

#### TUESDAY

BATTERSEA PARK LIBRARY 309 BATTERSEA PARK RD, SW11 4NF 2PM - 4PM

#### WEDNESDAY

SOUTHFIELDS LIBRARY 300 WIMBLEDON PARK RD, SW19 6NL 2PM - 4PM

#### THURSDAY

WANDSWORTH TOWN LIBRARY 9 COURTHOUSE WAY, SW18 4QG 10AM-12PM

#### FRIDAY

TOOTING LIBRARY 75 MITCHAM RD, LONDON SW17 9PD 2PM - 4PM

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