

St Mary's RC Primary School School Newsletter

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Dear parents/carers,

Recent news

Years 4 and 5 have thoroughly enjoyed their 'Adopt a Chef' cooking sessions in recent weeks and have been learning to cook couscous salad, pastry pizza, tomato pasta sauce, dough for bread, salad and fruit granola which we hope have been enjoyed by their families at home!

We're also thrilled to announce that year 5 have started djembe drum lessons in their music sessions- looking forward to a performance at some point!

Early Years

As the youngest children in school settle in to school life, we were pleased to welcome our EY families to a recent Teddy bear's picnic-where we enjoyed reading and sharing our love of books...with a drink and biscuit too!

On 22nd October at 9am-we invite in reception and year 1 parents-to tell them all about our exciting venture towards using digital reading logs.

The Religious life of the School

The Faith Friends represented our school well recently, as they attended the start of year Mass at St Georges Cathedral.

Years 2-6 also took part in a start of year Mass, at Our Lady Of Mount Carmel and St Joseph's. We all received our class candles and prayed for a positive and successful year ahead.

We are taking part in a weekly whole school Rosary and hoping to invite families for a special family Rosary soon.

Eco Ambassadors

Our Eco Ambassadors have been busy planning the opening of a eco refill shop. We hope to launch the shop soon after half term and will invite you all to attend. In the meantime, please save your plastic 500ml bottles and either hand in to us at the office to use at our shop or bring in yourself to buy refill products. We think you'll love the products!

Top secret-our Eco Ambassadors are also preparing for a special visitor next week-where we will talk more about air quality. Watch this space...



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

Family Learning Week at St Mary's
From 17th November at 9am every day!

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
|-------|--|-------------------|---|--|--------------------------------|
| Event | Mathletics and TT Rockstars-Mr Shoubber | reading breakfast | Learn to love to read EY parent session | learning in class rooms-class teachers | online safety-Helen Savage CLC |
| Place | Small hall | Main hall | Small hall | Classrooms | Small hall |

Attendance

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/>



Chat Health – confidential help and advice

ChatHealth is a safe and easy way to speak to a qualified health professional.

<https://fis.wandsworth.gov.uk/kb5/wandsworth/fsd/service.page?id=3jFAbAXlmtM&newfamilychannel=0>

This weeks Wednesday Word is
THANKFULNESS

‘In all things recognise the care and wisdom of God, and give God thanks’
St Teresa of Avila

Are you following us?



Thank you for all who bought cakes and raffle tickets on Wednesday, we made a fantastic £320 for school enrichment!


Our October prayer resources explore faith, forgiveness and perseverance in prayer. We can be sure that God loves us and longs for us to grow in deeper friendship with Him.

One way of growing our friendship with God is by praying the Rosary, where we meditate and reflect on the life, ministry and death of Jesus and also His Blessed Mother, Mary. The month of October is dedicated to the Rosary, and children will be given opportunities to engage with this traditional prayer.

This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout October, and suggests ways for you to engage with them about it. We hope it is a useful resource for your family prayer time.

To view the full version of the Ten Ten newsletter please click this link - <https://new.express.adobe.com/webpage/Vjmo5i0YPU8zc/>

Which class has the best attendance and punctuality this week?

| Class | Attendance | Lates |
|-----------|---|-------|
| Nursery | 80% | 6 |
| Reception | 83% | 3 |
| Year 1 | 95% | 10 |
| Year 2 | 82% | 7 |
| Year 3 | 95% | 11 |
| Year 4 | 95% | 16 |
| Year 5 | 99%  | 9 |
| Year 6 | 91% | 6 |

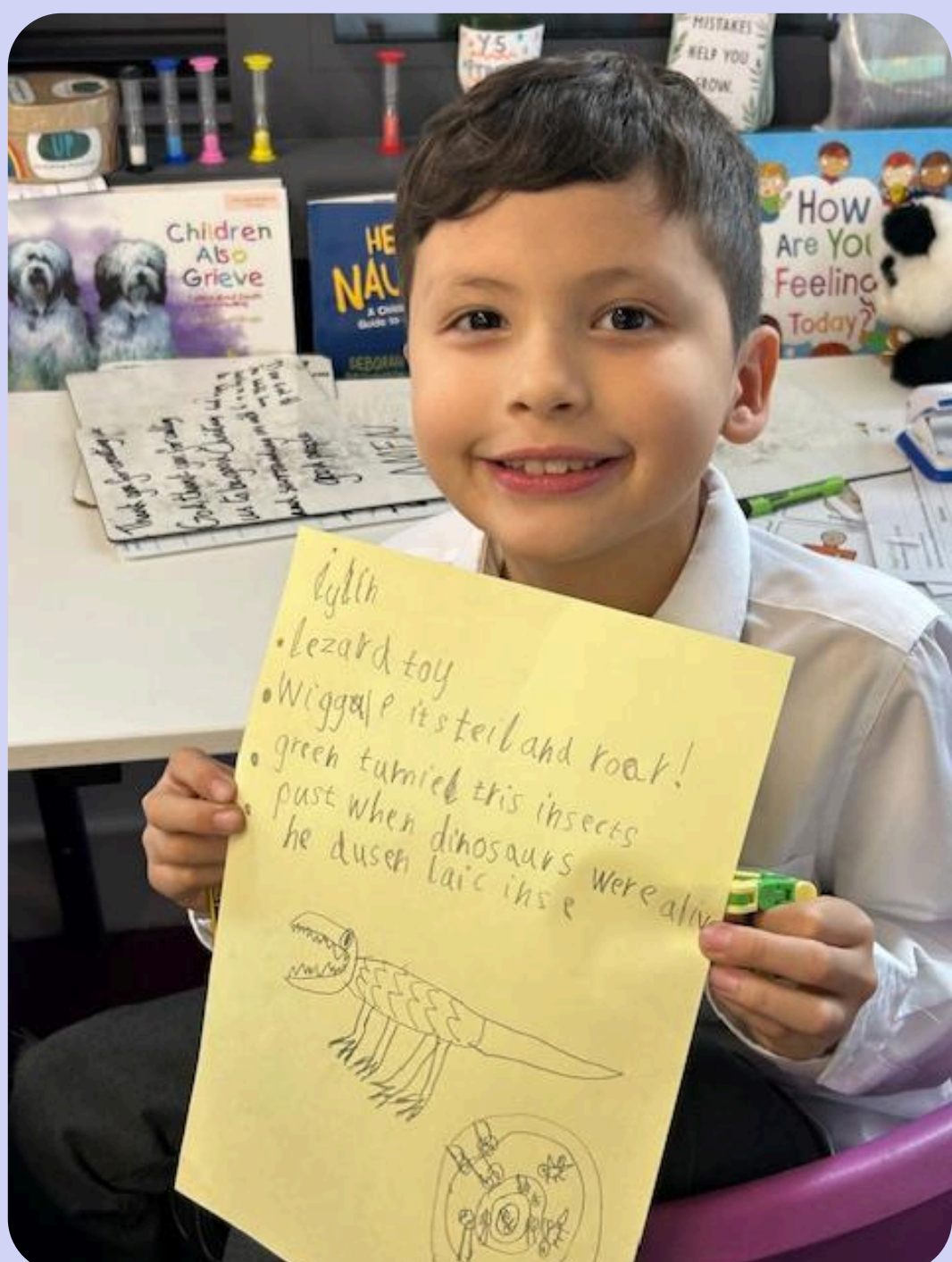
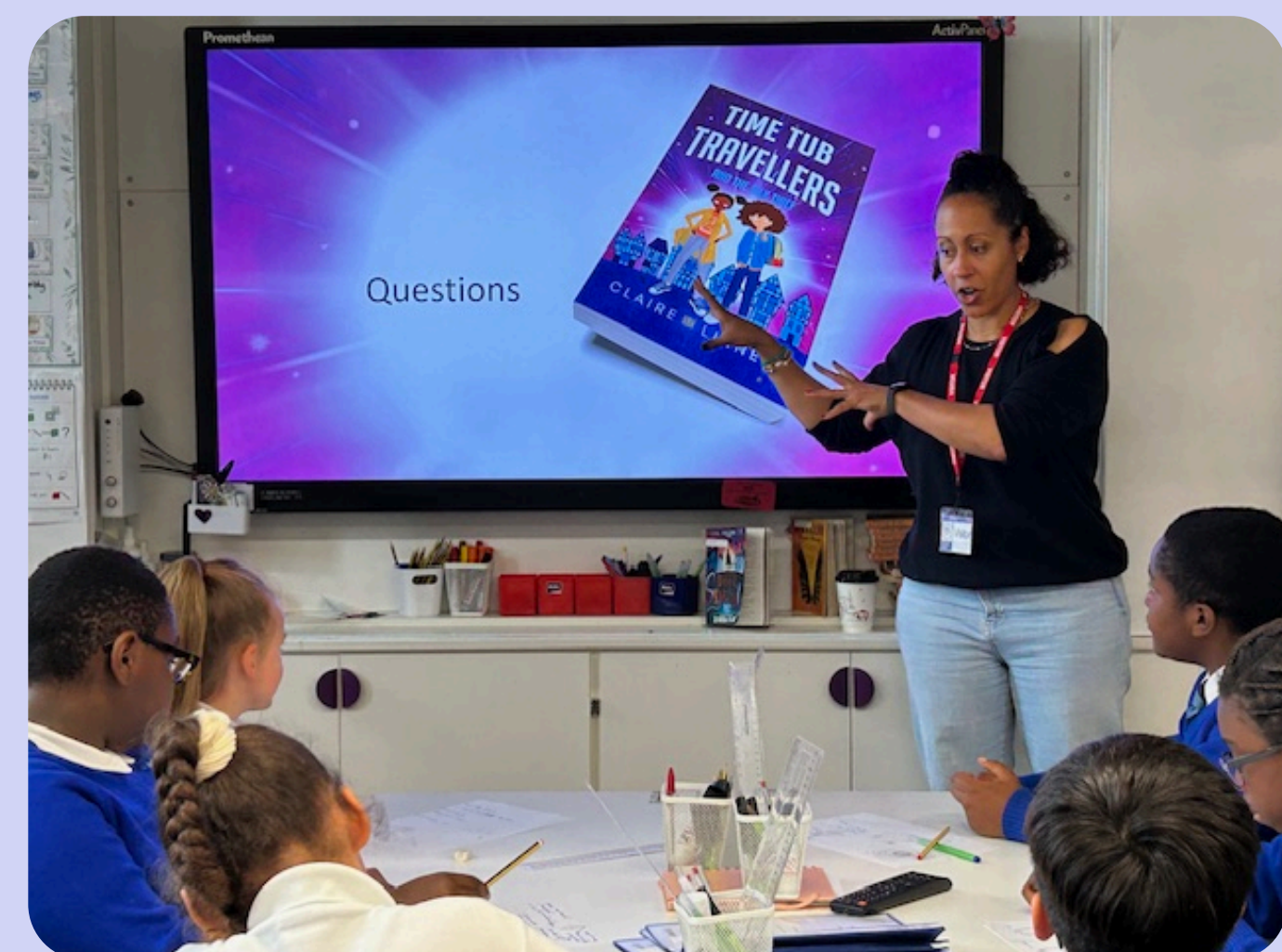
Black History Month



What a wonderful way to launch Black History Month with author Claire Linney visiting the school! Claire spoke to all the children in years 4, 5 and 6 about her route into writing children's books and held a workshop with year 5 who got to plan their own time travelling story with her support.

Claire was so impressed with the year 5 children's enthusiasm and creativity that she has asked them to be her beta readers for her new book due out next year. This means that they will read her draft and suggest ways to improve the story before it gets published.

What a fantastic opportunity!



Key Dates at St Mary's!

| Date | Event |
|---|--|
| Tuesday 14th October | Open morning for EYFS prospective parents at 9:30am |
| Friday 17th October | Y6 to Burntwood for Author visit (am) |
| Tuesday 21st October | Individual photographs |
| Wednesday 22nd October | Y6 school journey parent meeting at 3:25pm |
| Thursday 23rd October | Y2 class assembly at 9am |
| | Y6 trip to the Ragged museum |
| 27th – 31st October | Half term |
| Monday 3rd November | INSET Day – school closed |
| Tuesday 4th November | INSET Day – school closed |
| Thursday 6th November | Year 3 class assembly at 9am |
| Friday 7th November | Y5 to start swimming lessons at Latchmere |
| Thursday 13th November | Y1 class assembly at 9am |
| Monday 17th November – Family Learning Week! | Maths Family learning session with Mr Shoubber at 9am |
| Tuesday 18th November- Family Learning Week! | Family Reading breakfast at 9am |
| Wednesday 19th November – Family Learning Week! | EYFS Learn to Love to Read session at 9am |
| Thursday 20th November – Family Learning Week! | Learning in all classrooms parent session at 9am |
| Friday 21st November- Family learning Week! | Parents online safety session with Helen Savage at 9am |
| Monday 24th November | Y6 evening trip to ‘A Christmas Carol’ at the Old Vic |
| Thursday 27th November | Parents Consultations – school to close at 1pm |
| | Open morning for EYFS prospective parents at 9:30am |
| Friday 28th November | Y4 rehearsal at Burntwood School for ‘Wandsworth Winter Sounds’ concert (am) |
| Wednesday 3rd December – Friday 5th December | Y6 residential trip to High Ashurst in Surrey |
| Monday 8th December | Children’s flu jabs |
| Wednesday 10th December | Nursery Pantomime trip to Battersea Art’s Centre (am) |
| | Y4 to perform at Fairfield Halls for ‘Wandsworth Winter Sounds’ Concert |
| Thursday 11th December | Christmas dinner day! |
| | Christmas jumper day! |
| Tuesday 16th December | KS2 Advent church service at 2pm |
| Wednesday 17th December | KS1 Nativity at 2pm |
| Thursday 18th December | EYFS Christmas sing - a - long at 2pm |
| Friday 19th December | Last day of term for Christmas – school to close at 1pm |



COBHAM

TRAINING GROUND

OCTOBER HALF TERM



Chelsea Football Club are excited to be opening the doors to their Training Ground this October. Cobham is the exclusive home of our Chelsea FC's Men, Women's and Academy squads and this Half Term we are giving a limited number of players the opportunity to train here and experience our world class facilities.

We have several sessions available across the week from:-
2 Day Courses, 1:1 Sessions and Girls Only Sessions

Book on early to avoid disappointment! Please scan the QR code which will take you directly to our booking page providing you with all sessions available across the week.

| Venue | Dates | Time |
|---|---------------------------------------|--|
| Cobham Training Ground Surrey, KT11 3PT | 27th-31st October | 09.00-15.15 (excluding 1:1 Sessions) |
| Age | Players | Prices |
| 6-12 Years (7-18 Years for 1:1 Sessions) | Boys & Girls (Mixed ability level) | £75.00 a day (excluding 1:1 Sessions) |

