

St Mary's RC Primary School School Newsletter

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Dear parents/carers,

Last Friday key stage two, and particularly year 6, enjoyed a number of important visitors and the press as they went about their day! We welcomed the London Mayor Sadiq Khan and his Deputy Mayor for Environment and Energy, Mete Coban, who came to launch a new £2.7 million programme to deliver indoor air quality filters to hundreds of schools across London. We have been fortunate to benefit from these air filters and have one positioned in every class room. The air filters reduce air pollution by helping remove particulates that are generated indoors or enter the classroom from nearby sources, like roads. In an area of such heavy traffic we have welcomed this initiative. A particular thank you to Funmi and Victor for welcoming the Mayor and speaking with such confidence and appearing on BBC London news! Well done as well to the Eco Ambassadors, who met with the Mayor and spoke about our involvement in a variety of air quality programmes, including idling and our green screen.

Please see below a few links to press articles from our visit from the Mayor of London last Friday.

<https://www.london.gov.uk/mayor-invests-ps27m-air-quality-filters-schools-clean-air-classrooms>

https://uk.news.yahoo.com/200-london-schools-air-quality-121059096.html?guccounter=1&guce_referrer=aHR0cHM6Ly93d3cuZ29vZ2xllmNvbS8&guce_referrer_sig=AQAAAAMFLeQC2qJbBdJEiJiYmi46JlVEiisB3SvCDEulzJpZReAEQzwiYCr_2SfyBpexEPL5Advu3abGmTeTc3HHJUcc93JYrSQjzC_gmDuGMwK82dHYokH9A9K A7Utv1XdiVWyN23h2j7oB6UHdy6W-7ozRLzYn6opLQL_aBzXY

<https://www.wandsworth.gov.uk/news/news-october-2025/primary-school-in-battersea-leads-the-way-on-air-quality/>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/articles/c4gpxygz1lo>



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/>

This weeks Wednesday Word is HUMBLE

'When we live humbly, God takes our small efforts and creates great things'
Pope Francis

INSET DAYS

We will be closed on Monday 3rd November and Tuesday 4th November for INSET days.

School will reopen on Wednesday 5th November at 9am

Thank you to all those local businesses that donated to our parent raffle... a big shout out to:

AP Flower Design
WASH car washing service
Sticks N Sushi
Oddono's Gelati
The Yoga Studio - Nine Elms
Aneugene Health
Colour Works Painting & Decoration services

Our choir recently participated in the Catholic Choirs Festival, and it was a truly delightful afternoon filled with beautiful music. The children performed exceptionally well and represented our school with talent and pride. We are so proud of their dedication and enthusiasm!




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/>

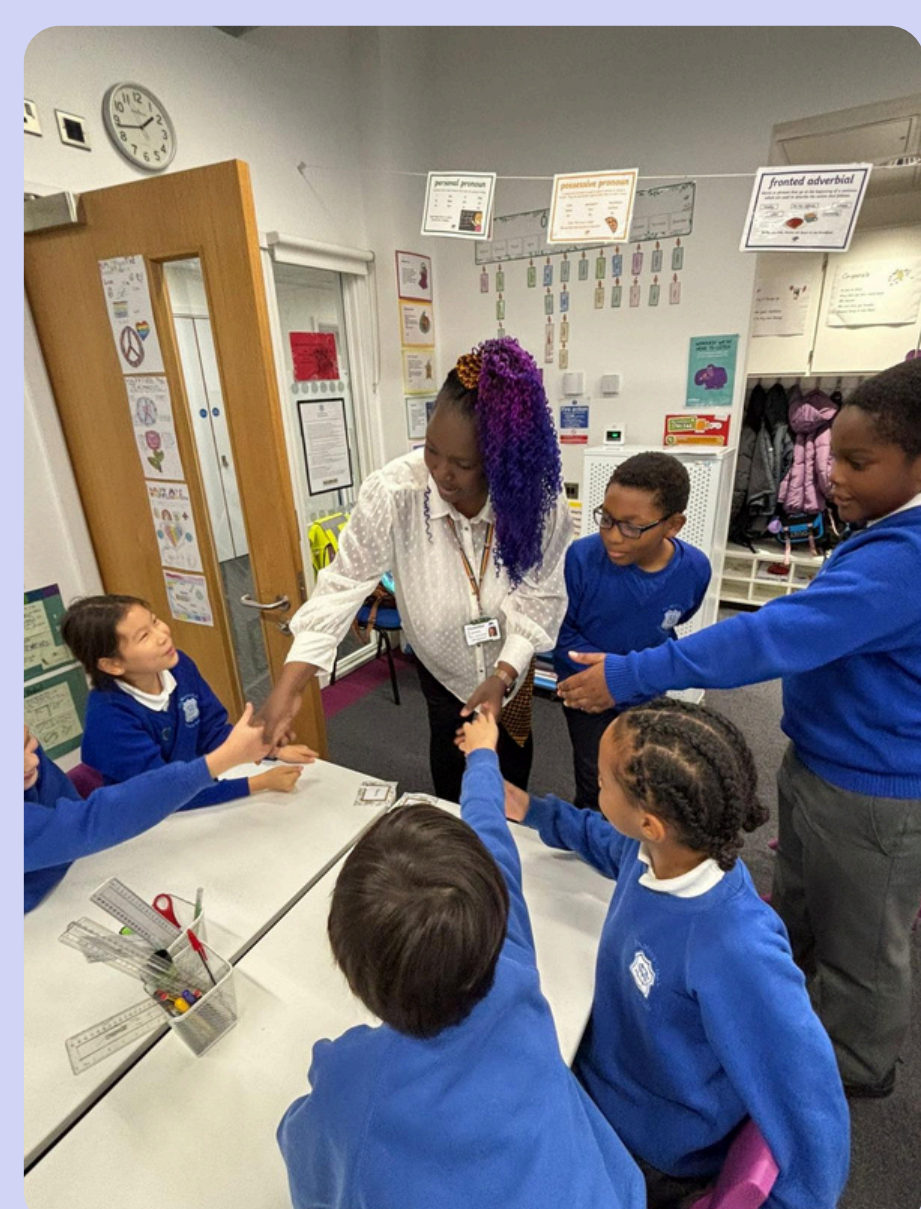
Which class has the best attendance and punctuality this week?

Class	Attendance	Lates
Nursery	83%	2
Reception	92%	4
Year 1	90%	5
Year 2	87%	5
Year 3	89%	4
Year 4	92%	6
Year 5	99% 	10
Year 6	96%	4

Black History Month



To celebrate Black History Month this year we have focused on finding out more about local significant black people. Our Early Years pupils enjoyed finding out more about our very own local hero Sarah Turner and year 1 took a trip to see the wonder of the grapefruit tree on Queenstown Road (planted by Marlene Anderson in the 1980s after bringing the tiny sapling). We also welcomed visits from the author Claire Linney, the WBO international middleweight British Champion Denzel Bentley and the Deputy Leader of Wandsworth Council Kemi Akinola. We have enjoyed finding out about these local black heroes and will display our findings in school -we welcome you to have a look!



Key Dates at St Mary's!

Date	Event
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)



Written in the Records

Black Presence in Putney's Past



More Curricular

Exhibition Dates

24-25 October:

Cromwell Room

12pm - 4pm

26-29 October:

Main Church

(includes Black History Month Service on Sunday 28th October)

Exhibition Features

- Parish Records Display
- Primary School Artwork Display

Admission: Free entry, no booking required

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📍 Venue: St. Mary's Church, Putney Bridge Approach, London SW16 3LA

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