



Dear Parents

12 May 2017

The summer term is rapidly moving on and the children have continued to have many wonderful experiences

Thought for the week

May is the month of Mary. It would be a lovely time to pray together as a family and help the children to learn the Hail Holy Queen.



Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve.

To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.

Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile.

Show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O merciful, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

Dates for your diaries !

- 13 **Saturday School**
- 17 KS2 assembly - Yr 3 ukulele - 9.00am
Educational visit - Yr 5 Greenwich
Educational visit - Yr 6 Imperial War Museum
Music concert - 6.00pm
- 18 Mass - 3Y - 9.15am
- 19 KS1 assembly - 2Y recorder - 9.00am

- 20 **Saturday School**
- 21 Yr 5 group to Holland
- 22 KS2 assembly - Yr 6 keyboard & trumpet - 9.00am
- 23 KS2 toilet twinning assembly
- 24 KS2 assembly - Yr 6 violin & flute - 9.00am
Educational visit - 6B Greenwich
- 25 Mass - 3B - 9.15am
Chess tournament at St Joachim's
- 26 Educational visit - 6Y Greenwich
May procession - 10.30am
Next newsletter
End of half term - school ends at 3.20pm

Highlights

Nursery children have enjoyed an exciting learning opportunity with visits to the greengrocer to select healthy fruit and vegetables.



We have listened to musical performances from Year 3 and 4 ukulele and Year 5 trumpets and keyboards.



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Year 4 practised their French language skills when meeting their pen pals in France, on the beach and at a school in Boulogne.



The children enjoyed games at the Stella Maris accommodation.



On Saturday the children visited the French market in Le Touquet and ordered crepes in a French cafe.



A group of children from Year 4 had an extended learning opportunity with a visit to the Imperial War Museum to learn more about the Victoria Cross that was awarded to Bernard Cassidy, a former St Helen's pupil.



Year 5 have further developed their understanding of British values, especially democracy, during their recent visit to the GLA.



The children in Year 6 have worked hard and taken their SATS tests this week.



Over the next few weeks Year 2 will be finalising their work for their SATS too.

We would like to say thank you to the children for trying their best; to parents for their great support and to the staff who have given so generously of their time and worked to support them.

Staff News



We welcome Mr Oliver Browne who has joined the support staff team in Year 2.

Mrs Pitkin will also be leaving for a while as she goes on maternity leave. We await news of her new arrival



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Reminders

School Money

We will be introducing an online payment system from next week.



This will enable parent to make payments online for school activities such as educational visits and breakfast and 6 o'clock club. In future uniform ordering and payments will also be possible.

The office staff spend a huge amount of time on collecting and keeping track of payments received for the numerous events that take place. Our new Schoolmoney.co.uk facility will allow parents and staff to experience a more streamlined and efficient payment collection system in a secure and safe environment.



From time to time you will receive a text message from the school inviting you to access a website as an option to make a payment for an activity. We would appreciate your support in this matter,



To ensure that we all experience maximum benefit from this service, we would ask all parents to notify us if you have recently changed your mobile number and/or email address.

We have attached a guide to paying online and more details can be found at www.schoolmoney.co.uk.

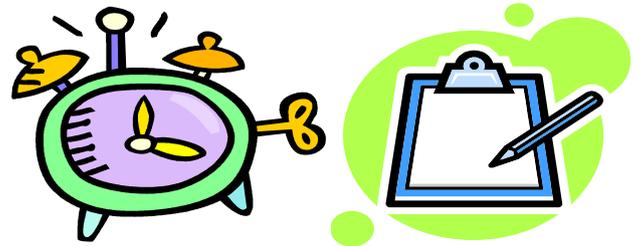
Sainsbury's vouchers

Once again we are collecting Sainsbury's vouchers to exchange for equipment for the school.



Punctuality

Please remember school starts at 8.55am and finishes at 3.20pm every day, with clubs ending at 4.30pm.



Lost Property



Please help us to reunite children with their jumpers, PE kits etc., by writing your child's name on their clothes. Please also check your child hasn't taken someone else's items by mistake.

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