

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Thursday 20th September 2018

TOMORROW:

Joshua Seigal (Poet)
Assembly and
Workshops

Year 3 Trip to Intu in
Uxbridge

NEXT WEEK:

Monday

Gymnastics Club
KS1 Chelsea Football

Tuesday

KS2 Chelsea Football

Wednesday

Gymnastics Club
Netball Club

Thursday

Years 3 to 5 Multi-
Sports Club
Rugbytots club (Y1,Y2)

Friday

Gymnastics Club



Poetry Week

The children have been sharing lots of poems this week, ahead of tomorrow's visit by critically acclaimed poet and National Poetry Day Ambassador - Joshua Seigal. Joshua will lead an assembly with the whole school in the morning and then visit each class to lead fun, interactive poetry writing workshops.

Year 5's Class Assembly

Year 5 will perform our first class assembly on:

Monday 1st October - at 3pm. All parents, carers and family members are more than welcome to attend.

Please see the table below for other assemblies and productions taking place this term.

One World Week (ADVANCE WARNING: Dress-Up Day)

We've planned our annual One World Week for the week beginning Monday 15th October. The aim of this week is to develop opportunities for pupils (and family members) to share aspects of their own cultures with others, promote cultural understanding and explore global issues. As a part of this week each class will be finding out more about a particular country (see table below).

On Friday 19th October, we will be holding our popular **dress-up day** and would like to invite all pupils to wear clothes/costumes associated with the country they will be studying (see below). **This could simply be clothes that are the same colour as the national flag (please don't buy any expensive costumes).** Alternatively, your child may prefer to wear national clothes associated with the country their family members originate from.

Class	Country they will be studying:
Early Years	Italy
Year 1	Brazil
Year 2	USA
Year 3	Australia
Year 4	Thailand
Year 5	South Africa
Year 6	Japan



Year 6 Parents' Talk - Secondary School Transition

On **Wednesday 10th October**, the Headteacher from Douay Martyrs (Mr Corish) will visit school to talk to our Year 6 parents about the transition to secondary school. This meeting will start at **3pm**, in our hall, and will finish before the end of the school day.

Parents' Information

We hope you found our recent 'Meet the Teacher' presentations useful. Our first Parents' Evenings have been planned for Tuesday 15th and Thursday 17th January (following our Test Week - just before the Christmas break). If you require any information before this time, please arrange an appointment with your child's class teacher after school.

St. Mary's - Primary TS Alliance

St. Mary's has been designated as a National Teaching School by the National College and we have been awarded extra funding to support local schools. This support includes direct 1:1 help as well as providing a comprehensive programme of courses. Training this term includes: 'Mental Health Awareness Training', Maths and English subject development and training for senior leaders on 'Analysing School Performance' and supporting vulnerable pupils through Pupil Premium funding. Please visit our Teaching School website for further details:
<https://www.primarytsalliance.org/>



Primary TS Alliance

Curriculum Open Afternoon

We would like to invite all parents to attend our Curriculum Open Afternoon on **Friday 12th October** from 2:30 p.m. This will be a good opportunity to have a look around the school whilst the children are working.

Eduspot app

Please note that if you download the Eduspot app (to pay for the school trips, year 6 books, y6 PGL, etc.), all the text messages that we send will be only available through this app and you will not receive a notification or the message through your usual text service.

Secondary School Applications

If you have not already done so the closing date for applications is Wednesday 31 October 2018.

To give your child the best possible chance of being offered their preferred school(s), please ensure your application is received on time. Hillingdon council cannot be held responsible for any problems with internet providers; **they are therefore recommending you submit your application** online to the Admissions at London Borough of Hillingdon **by Friday 26th October.**

Starting Primary School in September 2019

If your child was born between 1st September 2014 and 31st August 2015, please make sure to apply at your local Borough's website and complete St Mary's application form and bring originals of birth certificate, baptism and Certificate of Catholic Practice (Priest reference) and proofs of address of child and parent on a Tuesday to the school office **by 15th January 2019.**

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HOUSE POINTS

House Point Winners (each class):

Year	Name	Number of House Points
1	Elsie	6
2	Orla	22
3	Emma	12
4	Isabella & Hayley	15
5	Josiah	20
6	Cuba & Aldric	6

This week's winning house is: **St Thomas** with 308 points!!

EVENTS THIS TERM:

Date	Event
Fri 21 st Sept	Joshua Seigal (Poet) Assembly and Class Workshops
Fri 21 st Sept	Year 3 Trip to Intu in Uxbridge
Mon 1 st Oct	School Photographer Visiting
Mon 1 st Oct	Year 5 Class Assembly at 3pm
Fri 5 th Oct	Year 6 Coding Challenge
Mon 8 th Oct	Year 4 Class Assembly at 3pm
Mon 15 th Oct	Start of One World Week
Mon 15 th Oct	Year 3 Class Assembly at 3pm
Fri 19 th Oct	Dress-up Day: One World Week Costumes/Clothes
Mon 22nd Oct - Fri 26th Oct	HALF TERM HOLIDAY
Mon 29 th Oct	All pupils return to school
Thu 1 st Nov	All Saints Mass (Church) at 10.30am
Tue 6 th Nov	Years 1 and 2 Mass (Church) at 9.30am