



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

School Newsletter

Friday 21st May 2021

Morning Drop-off

Please arrive within these time slots-

UEYs: 9.00 - 9.05am

Yr1: 8.55 - 9.00am

Yr2: 8.50 - 8.55am

Yr3: 8.45 - 8.50am

Yr4: 8.40 - 8.45am

Yr5: 8.35 - 8.40am

Yr6: 8.30 - 8.35am

Siblings can be dropped off together - earliest time for any of your children

Collection Times

PLEASE REMEMBER A FACE MASK

Each class will go home at the following times:

-3.05pm: Reception

(UEYs)

-3.10pm: Years 5 and 6

-3.15pm: Years 3 and 4

-3.20pm: Years 1 and 2

-3.30pm: Nursery

PE Days:

All pupils (Years 1 to 6) require their PE kits in school every day. Please bring PE bags/kits into school every Monday morning.

??? HISTORY MYSTERY ???

What do you think this object is?

Who made it?

What was it made out of?

When was it made?

What was it used for?

Every Friday, we plan to show a photograph of a 'History Mystery'. You may like to talk to your child about what they think the object is - helping them to develop their enquiry skills. Older pupils may like to do some research.

We look forward to hearing about what pupils think this object might be on Monday!



Local History - Blue Plaque Challenge

As a part of our 'Local History Month' celebrations, we would like to invite our family members to take part in our Blue Plaque Challenge.

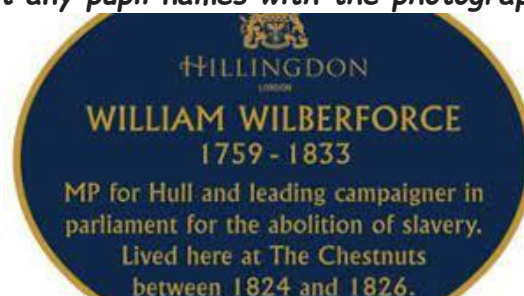
A blue plaque is a sign installed in a public place to commemorate a link between that location and a famous person. This web page shows the local heroes who have been awarded a blue plaque in Hillingdon -

<https://www.hillingdon.gov.uk/blue-plaques>

Pupil challenge: To track down one of these blue plaques and have your photograph taken next to it. We are hoping to display all these photos in a special Gallery on our History page. If you give permission for your child's photograph to be included in this Gallery - please send their 'blue plaque photo' to:

office@stmarysuxbridge.org.uk

We will not print any pupil names with the photographs.



School Uniform

Please ensure your child has their full school uniform for after the May holiday including their school shoes and a tie. We have not been as strict with our uniform policy over the last few months as we appreciate that parents may have had difficulty obtaining uniform items during the lockdowns. Now that all shops have reopened we hope that this may things a little easier.

- P.E. kit: Bottle green shorts OR green or plain black joggers (no logos please)
- **Pupils (Years 1 to 6) should not wear trainers to school.**
- Pupils should only wear plain coloured hair bands, beads and hair clips that are in keeping with the school uniform colours (green, black or grey).

The latest Government advice (May 2021) is as follows:

We would encourage all schools to maintain their usual uniform policies. Uniform can play a valuable role in contributing to the ethos of a school and setting an appropriate tone.

Uniforms do not need to be cleaned:

- *More often than usual*
- *Using different methods*

Travel to Tokyo Challenge

To celebrate the rescheduled Tokyo Olympic and Paralympic Games, Team GB and Paralympics GB are inviting schools and families to get active with their virtual Travel to Tokyo challenge. Are you back from playing tag in the garden or building a fort with your family in the living room? Log your activity here to help our school team on their journey to Tokyo. Please use our school postcode to log an activity: **UB8 2UA**

Every time a pupil logs their activity, Team GB will convert it into a distance to help our pupils make a virtual journey around the world! There's still time to make it to Tokyo before the Games, so get started today!

<https://www.getset.co.uk/travel-tokyo/log-activity>



National Archives

We have booked a series of workshops with representatives from the National Archives (based in Kew Gardens). On Wednesday, our Year 5 children took part in a 'What is History?' session. Next Friday, our Year 2 pupils will take part in their Great Fire of London session via Zoom.

You can also play the Great Fire of London Game on the National Archives website:

<https://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/education/resources/great-fire-london/>



Miss Budd - Fond Farewell

At the end of this half term, we will be very sad to say goodbye to **Miss Budd**, one of our EYs Teaching Assistants. Miss Budd will be moving to a new house (and position) in Somerset. She has made such a positive impact on the progress of our pupils and we know that she will make a similarly impactful difference in her new school.

Year 6 Citizenship Day

Next Thursday, Year 6 will take part in their virtual Citizenship Day. The day will include a range of transition activities including a Transport for London safety talk.

History Page Survey

A big thank you to all the parents who completed our Website History Page Survey. We will do our best to take your comments on board. We have tested all of the links so hopefully they should all be working now (although they may not work on specific android phones). A few parents asked for more photos of children's work, workshops etc. We have added some more examples this week and will continue to add to the Gallery throughout the year. You will find the History Photo Gallery if you scroll all the way down to the bottom of the History Page:

<https://www.st-marys.hillingdon.sch.uk/page/?title=History&pid=52>

Name a Food Waste Truck

Primary school pupils, can you help name our new food waste trucks?



Please remind yourself of the Public Health Guidelines below:

Students **MUST NOT** come to school if they, or a member of their household, have **one or more of the main COVID symptoms** or have been tested for COVID.

The three symptoms are:

- A high temperature
- A new continuous cough
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

UPCOMING EVENTS

For a complete list of dates - please visit our school website:

<https://www.st-marys.hillingdon.sch.uk/>

Date	Event
Mon 24 th May	Hay Literature Festival
Fri 28 th May	YR2 Workshop - National Archives - The Great Fire of London
Fri 28 th May	School Finishes (Half-Term Break)
Mon 7 th June	School Re-Opens
Tue 8 th June	YR4 British Museum Virtual Visit
Wed 9 th June	YR3 Uxbridge History Trail
Mon 14 th June	Health Week - Disability in History Week Theme: Paralympics
Mon 14 th June	Paralympic Workshop
Tue 15 th June	YR6 Greek Workshop
Wed 16 th June	YR3 History Workshop
Wed 16 th June	YR6 Go Ape Tree Top Adventure
Wed 16 th June	YR3 British Museum Workshop
Tue 22 nd June	Windrush Day
Tue 22 nd June	YR6 Bunker Trip
Tues 22 nd June	YR2 Sports Day
Wed 23 rd June	YR1 Sports Day
Mon 28 th June	YR6 Test Week
Tue 29 th June	LEY'S Sports Day
Tue 29 th June	UEY'S Sports Day
Wed 30 th June	YR3 Sports Day
Tue 6 th July	YR4 Sports Day
Mon 12 th July	Wizard of Oz Show
Mon 12 th July	Battle of the Boyne (N Ireland)
Wed 14 th July	No Pens Wednesday
Fri 16 th July	Pupil Voice Day
Mon 19 th July	Revision Week
Tue 20 th July	YR6 Disco
Wed 21 st July	Leavers Mass
Thu 22 nd July	Term Ends (Early finish)