

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Thursday 13th February 2020

TOMORROW

Gymnastics Club 8am
Last Day Half Term
PTA Valentine's Day
Chocolate Sale at 3:15pm

1ST WEEK BACK

Monday

VICTORIAN DRESS-UP DAY

Class Parties (party food donations)
Gymnastics Club 8am
Reception & KS1 Chelsea Football 3:30pm

Tuesday

Yr4 Kurling Competition (Pield Heath)

KS2 Chelsea Football 3:30pm

Guitar Lessons

Drumming and Recorder Lessons

Wednesday

Yr4 Swimming

Rugby Tots at 3:30pm

Gymnastics Club 8am

Violin Lessons

Ash Wednesday Service 2:30pm

Yr3 Climate Change Workshop (Library)

Thursday

Netball Match at Highfield

Friday

School Mass at 2:30pm



School Anniversary Celebration Day

On the first day back after the half term break (Mon 24th Feb), we will be celebrating 125 years since the opening of our school (in the Victorian era). We have planned the following activities for this day:

- Victorian Schoolroom Experience - St. Mary's in 1895
- Victorian dress-up day (further details below)
- A timeline of St. Mary's - photos through the ages
- Class disco
- Class parties (we would like to invite all pupils to bring in party food on this day (24th Feb))



Victorian Dress-up Day: Mon 24th February

To help make our Victorian school room event more realistic we would like to invite all pupils to come to school wearing Victorian school clothes. Ideas for costumes below:

Girls: Black dress and a white cotton apron

Boys: Shirt and trousers/shorts in drab colours (they may also like to wear a waistcoat, jacket or cap)

You may like to visit the following website for further ideas:

http://www.victorianschool.co.uk/what_they_wore.html

Holiday Homework

Reading Photo: We are in the process of changing our Reading display in our main corridor. We are asking all pupils (EYs to Yr6) to bring in a photo of them reading in an unusual place. These photos will be used in our new display.

History Project: We are also asking pupils (from Year 1 upwards) to do some research about what our school was like in the past. They could present their findings in lots of different ways e.g. a scrap book of old photos, a poster, presentation, collage etc.

School Birthday Mass

We would like to invite all family members to attend our Anniversary Mass on **Friday 28th February**. This will take place in our school hall at **2:30pm**.

Well Done Year 1

Well done to Year 1 for leading such a brilliant assembly on Tuesday - reminding us about the importance of being a 'good friend'. Thank you to all the family members who came along to support the children.

Rubik's Cubes, Puzzles and Toys

We ask that pupils do not bring Rubik's cubes, puzzles or any toys to school. If your child has found a Rubik's cube in the school playground - please can you ask them to hand it in to the school office, thank-you.

PTA Valentine's Day - Choc Sale

On Friday 14th February, our PTA will be holding a Valentine's Day Chocolate Sale after school. This will take place at the front entrance - from 3:15pm.



Kurling Competition

On Tuesday 25th February, four pupils from Year 4 will represent our school at the Hillingdon New Age Kurling Competition.

Time: 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (arrival from 9:45 a.m.)

Venue: Pield Heath House School, Uxbridge, UB8 3NW

Pupils taking part in this competition do not need to come to school in the morning but should be taken directly to Pield Heath for the competition.

Need: Packed lunch and water bottle



Year 3

On Wednesday 26th February, Year 3 will walk to Uxbridge Library to take part in the 'Uxbridge Rock Show'. This is a hands on experience including a special feature on global climate change run by Harrow and Hillingdon Geological Society.

Uxbridge Library - Half Term Activities

Uxbridge Rock Show (13-28 February 2020) - A hands on experience for all the family including a special feature on global climate change run by Harrow and Hillingdon Geological Society. This is a drop in event and does not need booking.

(Please note, our Year 3 children already have separate class visits booked for this event during the exhibition)

Rock Show Treasure Hunt: (15-23 February 2020) - Ask for a worksheet at the counter. Find the hidden letters in the Children's Library and unscramble them to reveal the missing word. Hand in the completed worksheet to receive a 'goodie'. This is a drop in event and does not need booking.

Dino Crafts: (Thursday 20 February - 2.30-3.30pm Ages 7-11) - A dinosaur themed craft session. This is a bookable event with limited spaces.

Toy Exhibition: Come and visit our toy exhibition on level 6 with a free activity sheet and toys to play with. Running from Monday 18th February to Friday 21st February

Monday 18th - Toy Making Workshop: Come along to our craft session on level 6 where you can make your own toys to take home! Craft materials will be provided. Adult supervision required. Drop in sessions running from 10:30 - 12:00 and 1:30 - 3:00 - No need to book! Uxbridge Library, Level 6

Thursday 20th - Cave Paintings: Learn about the Prehistoric animals that used to roam around Hillingdon and make your own cave painting (no mess involved!)

Craft materials provided. Adult supervision required.

Drop in sessions running from 10:30 - 12:00 and 1:30 - 3:00 - No need to book!
Uxbridge Library, Level 6

Book Week

This year's Book Week will take place the week beginning 2nd March.

On Wednesday 4th of March we would like to invite children back to school at 4:45 for 'Camp Out with My Favourite Book'. A twist on the usual Bedtime Stories, children can come back in their PJs with their favourite book and bring a sleeping bag and pillow and a camp light or torch if they have one. Children will have hot chocolate as a treat. While the children are snuggled up in class sharing stories parents are invited to the hall for refreshments and parent session on '**Creating a Love of Reading at Home by English consultant Joe Heffer**'

- Reading for pleasure - why it matters
- Creating a positive reading culture - what research tells us
- Parents as positive role models
- Importance of reading to children
- Fun ways to read with your child

We would love to see you there.

Children can come to school dressed as their favourite book character on Friday 6th March. We would also like to invite parents into school to read with their child(ren) on Friday 6th March from 9 am to 9:30 or alternatively 2:45 to 3:15 (parents costumes are optional). We would especially love to have some dads as it is vital that boys have positive male role models.

Wednesday 12th February football match results

Well done to St Mary's football team; they won 3-nil against St Andrew's. Goals were scored by Harry S, Cillian and Nadab.

Last Week's House Point Winners

Year	Name	Number of House Points
1	Dominik	18
2	Nicole	31
3	Olivia MN & Helen	13
4	Teagan	20
5	Daisy	18
6	Shay	16

The winning house was: St Bernadette's with 210 points

Child's emergency contacts

Please make sure that all your child's emergency contacts are up to day. It is parents' responsibility to inform us of any changes to their contact details as soon as possible.

Please note that these contacts are separate from the authorised people to collect your child.

Someone else to collect your child?

If you arrange for someone else to collect your child and this person is not in your "authorised people to collect", please make sure to inform us via email or telephone call by 2 pm.

SchoolMoney passwords for trips and other payments

Passwords for SchoolMoney have changed. If you have not logged to SchoolMoney in the last 2 months you will need to reset your password. Please contact the school office to receive a link via email and text to do this.

Last Day

We finish tomorrow for the Half Term break (usual time). All pupils return to school on Monday 24th February - **don't forget your Victorian costumes!**

Term Dates

Please see our website for a complete list of Term dates for the academic year 2020 to 2021:

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

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Fri 14 th Feb	PTA chocolate sale 3:15 pm
Mon 17 th Feb	Half term break
Fri 21 st Feb	
Mon 24 th Feb	School 125 anniversary
	Victorian dress-up day
	Victorian school-room experience
	Celebration street party
	Class parties
	KS1 Disco
	KS2 Disco
Tue 25 th Feb	Kurling competition
Wed 26 th Feb	Ash Wednesday 2:30pm - 3:30pm
	Parents clothes collection
Fri 28 th Feb	School birthday Mass 2:30 pm
	PTA Year 2 birthday cake sale 3:15 pm
Mon 2 nd Mar	Start of Book Week
	PTA Coffee Afternoon 2:45 pm
Wed 4 th Mar	Stations of the Cross - Y2 & Y5 10:30 am
	WE day
	Camp Out with My Favourite Book
Fri 6 th Mar	Dress up as favourite book character
Mon 9 th Mar	Start of Science Week
Wed 11 th Mar	Y6 Uxbridge Library Visit am
Thu 12 th Mar	Y6 Uxbridge Library Visit am
Mon 16 th Mar	Start of Test Week
Tue 17 th Mar	Stations of the Cross - Y1 & Y6 10:30 am
Mon 23 rd Mar	Y3 school trip
Tue 24 th Mar	Prospective parents tour to school 1:30pm
Wed 25 th Mar	Stations of the Cross - Y3 & Y4 10:30 am
	Y6 Junior citizens
Thu 26 th Mar	Year 4 Trip
Mon 30 th Mar	Extra INSET day - school closed-
Wed 1 st Apr	Mass at the end of the term at Church 9:30 am
	Movie night 3:40 pm
Thu 2 nd Apr	KS2 Production 2:30 pm and 6:00 pm
Fri 3 rd Apr	Early finish at 1:30 pm
Mon 6 th Apr - Fri 17 th Apr	Easter break
Mon 20 th Apr	First day of summer term. All pupils back to school
Tue 28 th Apr	Parents' evening 3:35 - 6:00 pm

Thu 30 th Apr	Parents' evening 3:35 - 6:00 pm
Fri 1 st May	WE walk day
Mon 4 th May	School open
	VE Day celebrations week start
Wed 6 th May	Mass VE remembrance 9:30 am
Fri 8 th May	Revised Bank Holiday -school closed-
Mon 11 th May	KS2 SATs Week starts
Wed 20 th May	Second movie night 3:40 pm
Thu 21 st May	Ascension Mass and May Procession 2:30 pm -3:30 pm
Mon 25 th May	Half term break
Fri 29 th May	
Mon 1 st Jun	Group photographs
Fri 5 th Jun	Crazy hair
Mon 8 th Jun	Phonics Screen Check week starts
	Year 4 - Start of Times tables test
Tue 9 th Jun	Class Mass Y2 & Y5 9:30 am
Wed 10 th Jun	Sweet cups go home
Thu 11 th Jun	HOAC Year 6
Fri 12 th Jun	HOAC Year 6
Mon 15 th Jun	Start of Healthy School Week
	Non uniform-sweet cups return
Tue 16 th Jun	Class Mass Y1 & Y6 9:30 am
Fri 19 th Jun	Year 6 Bunker Trip 10 am
Sat 20 th Jun	Summer fete 12:00 - 3:00 pm
Mon 22 nd Jun	Start of Test and Maths Week
Fri 26 th Jun	Dr Bike - Year 6
Mon 29 th Jun	Bikeability - Year 6
Thu 2 nd Jul	
Tue 30 th Jun	Class Mass Y3 & Y4 9:30 am
Mon 6 th Jul	Whole school sports day 9:30 am - 12:00 pm
Tue 7 th Jul	EYs sports day 9:30 am - 12:00 pm
	Y6 Dress rehearsal 5:00 pm
Wed 8 th Jul	Sports day back up 9:30 am - 12pm
Thu 9 th Jul	EYs sports day back up 9:30 am - 12:00 pm
Sat 11 th Jul	Eco day PTA
Tue 14 th Jul	Y6 Dress rehearsal
Mon 13 th Jul	Y6 Leavers' Mass 9:30 am
Wed 15 th Jul	Y6 Leavers production 5:00 pm
Fri 17 th Jul	Last day of term - Early finish at 1:30 pm