



# St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

## School Newsletter

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2022

### Morning Drop-off

All pupils (from Reception to Year 6) arrive at school between 8.40 and 8.50am - at the Rockingham Road gate. Teachers will take the morning register shortly after 8.50am.

**Pupils arriving at the main entrance (after this time) will be marked in the register as late.**

### Collection Times

All classes (Reception to Year 6) finish school at 3.15pm.

**Please use our 1-way system to avoid congestion in our narrow alleyway into school:**

Parents should access the school through the Rockingham Close entrance and then walk through the KS1 playground to leave through the green gate on Rockingham Road.

### P.E. Lessons

All pupils (Years 1 to 6) get changed in school for their PE lessons.

The children have been asked to bring in their PE kits every Monday and then take them home again every Friday.

Dear Parent/Carer,

This week was the start of the world meeting of families in Rome. In school, we joined in by praying for our families and being thankful for all they do for us. A big thank you to all the parents who sent in prayers to share in each class.



### Year 6 – Bunker Trip

On Monday, Year 6 visited the Battle of Britain Bunker in Uxbridge. The children discovered what it was like to work in the Bunker by handling and learning from objects that were used in the Operations Room. They were taught about life in the Bunker,

and the different roles men and women would have had at the time. Working together in groups, they selected an object to focus on, and created a poster about it to bring back to school. Their visit included a private tour of the 1940s bunker (76 steps underground) and a visit to the interactive museum.

### Curriculum Afternoon

We have planned a Curriculum Afternoon for Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June - from 2pm. Our Year 6 pupils will give parents/carers a tour of the school between 2pm and 2.45pm. At 2.45pm, we will serve refreshments and provide some additional curriculum information in our school Hall.

### Year 2's Class Assembly

Year 2's Class Assembly will take place on Thu 30<sup>th</sup> June at 2.45pm. All family members are most welcome to attend. We will open up the main entrance at 2.45pm so visitors can make their way to our school Hall.

### P.E. Kits

We have a Sports Coach who works with different classes every Monday and quite a few pupils have missed these extra lessons as they haven't forgotten their P.E kit on these days. All classes (Years 1 to 6) should bring in their PE kits every Monday and then take them home again every Friday. Thank you.

### Sun Protection

We have been lucky enough to see some extremely hot weather over the last week. If it is likely to be sunny, please ensure your child applies sun cream before school and that they bring in a sun hat and water bottle.

### Voluntary Contributions for Trips

Our pupils benefit from a wide range of visits to different places including museums and outdoor learning centres. These trips are only possible if we are able to obtain enough voluntary contributions from parents/carers. We have quite a few outstanding payments which has an impact on our school budget. If you have any outstanding payments (on SchoolMoney) that you are able to pay, we would really appreciate it if these could be settled by next week. If we are unable to obtain enough contributions in the future, we may need to cancel upcoming visits or visitors. Thank you for your support.

### Sports Days

Our main Sports Day (for Years 1 to 6) will take place on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> June from 9.15am at Uxbridge Recreational Ground (the park next to our school). All parents/carers are most welcome to attend.

Early Years Sports Day will take place on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> June at 9am (in our school grounds).

### Early Years Assembly

EYs Assembly will take place on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July (at 2.45pm) in our school Hall.

### Year 6 Leavers' Production

This will take place on Tue 19<sup>th</sup> July at 2pm.

## ARCHAEOLOGY DISCOVERY DAY

**Sunday 17th July, 11am to 4pm**

**Venue:** Manor Farm Ruislip



Drop in and take part in a variety of activities for all the family, to discover how we lived in bygone times:

- Make a clay pot in prehistoric style
- See the making of flint tools and how textiles were spun and dyed
- Create music using the natural environment
- Go on a discovery trail and find more about prehistoric Hillingdon.

**Cost:** Free. Just drop in

**Find out more:** [archives@hillingdon.gov.uk](mailto:archives@hillingdon.gov.uk)

## Book of the Week

### Coming to England

By Baroness Floella Benjamin



This Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> June, was Windrush Day. This anniversary remembers the day the ship MV Empire Windrush docked in Tilbury on 22 June 1948, bringing workers from Jamaica, Trinidad and Tobago and other islands, to help fill post-war UK labour shortages. 'Coming to England' by Baroness Floella Benjamin is one of the stories we have shared in class:

'A story about the triumph of hope, love, and determination, *Coming to England* is the inspiring true story of Baroness Floella Benjamin: from Trinidad, to London as part of the Windrush generation, to the House of Lords.

Follow ten-year-old Floella as she and her family set sail from the Caribbean to a new life in London. Alone on a huge ship for two weeks, then tumbled into a cold and unfriendly London, coming to England wasn't at all what Floella had expected . . . What will her new school be like? Will she meet the Queen?'

## UPCOMING EVENTS

For a complete list of dates (including TERM DATES) - please visit our school website:

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

Date	Event
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> June	<b>Eucharistic Procession in School at 2.15pm</b> Nursery Cake Sale - Naughty Friday (please bring your cakes to the school at drop off)
Tue 28 <sup>th</sup> June	Early Years Sports Day at 9am (School playground)
Wed 29 <sup>th</sup> June	Main School (Years 1 to 6) - Sports Day from 9.15a.m. at Rockingham Recreational Ground
Thu 30 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 2 Assembly at 2.45pm <b>REVISED DATE</b>
Tue 5 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Transition Day
Thu 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Early Years Assembly at 2.45pm
Thu 7 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 - Go Ape - Black Park
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> July (TBC)	Summer Stalls (School Hall) Time TBC
Tue 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Year 6 Leavers' Production at 2pm
<b>Wed 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<b>Last Day of Term - Early finish at 1.30pm</b> Nursery Combined in the morning
Thu 21 <sup>st</sup> July	Teacher INSET Day 5 (School Closed to Pupils)



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