

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Thursday 7th November 2019

TOMORROW
Yr5 Church Visit
 Gymnastics Club 8am
 Tennis Club 3:30pm

NEXT WEEK
Monday
Start of Friendship Week
 Gymnastics Club 8am
Reception & KS1
Chelsea Football
3:30pm

Tuesday
 KS2 Chelsea Football
 3:30pm
Guitar Lessons
 Drumming and Recorder
 Lessons

Wednesday
 Gymnastics Club
 8:00am

Thursday
Multi Sports 3:30pm
 Violin Lessons

Friday
 Gymnastics Club 8am
 Tennis Club 3:30pm



INSET Days - School Closed

We have now confirmed our remaining two training days for this academic year. School will be closed to pupils on the following days:

- Monday 6th January 2020
- Monday 30th March 2020

We can also confirm that the last day of this academic year will be on Friday 17th July at 1:30pm.

Please see our website for a complete list of term dates:

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

Friendship Week

Throughout next week the children will be taking part in lots of different activities as a part of the national Friendship Week. This will include assemblies, workshops, cross-curricular work including art and a performance of the 'My Best Friend Show'. This event, supported by the Anti-Bullying Alliance, will focus on the theme 'Change Starts With Us'.

Please see the Anti-Bullying Alliance website for more information:

<https://www.anti-bullyingalliance.org.uk/anti-bullying-week>

Year 5 Church Visit - TOMORROW

Our Year 5 pupils will visit our Church tomorrow. Father Nicholas (and Angela) have kindly offered to talk to the children about our Church and the format of the Mass. We are still looking for some more parent/carer volunteers to help accompany the children. If you are able to help, please let Mr Morris know as soon as possible. The children will leave school at **10:30am.**

Advent/Christmas Events

This is a particularly busy half term including carol concerts, productions and our Christmas Fair:

Date	Event	Time
4 th Dec	Pavilions Carol Concert (Yr5)	5pm - 6pm
12 th Dec	KS1 Productions	2:30pm and 6pm
13 th Dec	PTA Christmas Fair	3:30 - 4:30pm
17 th Dec	EYs Production	2:30pm
17 th Dec	Carol Concert (Church)	4:30pm

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Nearly New Sale Raffle

Thank you to everyone who came along to the Nearly New Sale on Sunday - in aid of the School Library Bus. The total raised will be announced next week once the raffle is drawn. Raffle tickets are still on sale. Please contact Aileen on: 07940 987660.

Poppy appeal

The Poppy Appeal is the Royal British Legion's biggest fundraising campaign held every year in November, the period of Remembrance.

Please help the Poppy Appeal. Collection boxes are at the Early Year's entrance and at the office. Thank you

Poppy Wreath Competition

Each class has been busy designing amazing leaves for the poppy which will go on display in the Pavilions Shopping Centre. Voting forms have been sent in children's book bags. Can you please complete and send these back to school by Friday 8th November in order to take them to the Pavilions Shopping Centre. If we win it will be taken to the Remembrance Service.

Starting Primary School in September 2020

If your child was born between 1 September 2015 and 31 August 2016, please make sure to apply at your local Borough's website and complete St Mary's application form and bring originals of birth and baptism certificates, Certificate of Catholic Practice and proofs of address of child and parent on a Tuesday to the school office by **15th January 2020**.

Fundraising for the School

We are arranging a clothing collection to raise funds for the school. At the moment we have very little storage space and would ask that if you have any unwanted clothing you could store them for us. We have sent plastic bags in book bags but clothing can be sent in any black sack or plastic bag. We ask if these can be brought

into school on **Thursday 14th November**, as these will be collected first thing on Friday. We thank you in anticipation of receiving lots of bags of unwanted clothing, linens, shoes, bags and belts to raise money.

Eligibility for Free School Meals

If your financial circumstances have changed recently, your child may be eligible for Free School Meals or Early Years Pupil Premium.

An application form, asking which financial benefits you receive, is available from the school office or by email to

jtaberer@stmarysuxbridge.org.uk and *this information will be dealt with in the strictest confidence*. You can also check your eligibility for pupil premium

assistance by submitting your details to <https://pps.lgfl.org.uk/>

If eligible you are able to download a certificate to provide to us to support your application for Free School Meals. Please also inform us if you are a military services family or if your child has been adopted as the school receive funding to support pastoral care. Again, this information is in the strictest confidence and Miss Shevlin will be happy to speak to you in private.

Last Week's House Point Winners

Year	Name	Number of House Points
1	Rys & Dominik	14
2	Anastazja	28
3	Harrison	22
4	Seraphine	34
5	Luca	21
6	Laura	20

The winning house was: St Francis with 414 points!

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Fri 8 th Nov	Year 5 visit to Church 10:45 a.m.
Mon 11 th Nov	Start of Friendship Week
	Year 5 school trip
Thu 14 th Nov	Clothes to be brought for collection
Mon 18 th Nov	Start of Safety Week
Fri 22 nd Nov	Year 6 visit to Church 10:45 a.m.
Mon 2 nd Dec	Start of Test Week
Wed 4 th Dec	Pavilion Carol Concert - Year 5 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
Tue 10 th Dec	KS1 Dress rehearsal
Wed 11 th Dec	Dress Up Word Day (Dress up as favourite word)
Thu 12 th Dec	KS1 Production at 2:30 p.m. and 6:00 p.m.
Fri 13 th Dec	PTA Christmas Fair at 3:30 p.m.
Mon 16 th Dec	EYs combined. All Nursery children to attend am session
	EYs dress rehearsal at 9:30 a.m.
	EYs party at 10:30 a.m.
Tue 17 th Dec	EYs combined. All Nursery children to attend pm session
	EYs Production at 2:30 p.m.
	Carol Concert at Church at 4:30 p.m.
Wed 18 th Dec	Christmas lunch
Thu 19 th Dec	End of Term Mass at 9:30 a.m.
	Early Finish Reception - Year 6 at 1:30 p.m.