



Weekly Newsletter 17.5.2019

Headteacher's News

This week I'd like to remind parents of our responsibility to take steps to safeguard the children at St Mary's. We take the wellbeing and safety of children very seriously and have various measures in place to ensure they remain well cared for. The staff are all trained in looking for signs of possible abuse or neglect and diligently record these before reporting them to the Designated Senior Leader (DSL) for Safeguarding in order that the information is shared and reaches staff who are trained to a higher level. Very often where a referral is made to the DSL, advice will be sought from the local authority's social care department so that experienced social workers can advise on next steps that school staff are required to take. Very often, the advice we receive will be to talk to parents about what has been observed or disclosed to seek more information that may explain the context better, though in some circumstances we will be advised to not do so in order that a social worker can speak to the child before their parents do - this is when it is feared that a child is in more immediate danger. Even with observations or disclosures that may not seem very serious initially, staff are encouraged to share information with the DSL so that clarification can be sought in order that that any type of abuse can be eliminated as a possibility; this can make for awkward conversations with parents sometimes, but the priority is always the child and we would be failing in our duties if we did not address any concerns regarding pupils' safety.

On a much, much lighter note, this week we had a very entertaining class assembly from Y4 who've clearly been enjoying their recent Viking topic. I've included some of their ultra-vivid pastel Viking portraits on this page so we can enjoy a delve into history too.



Finally, I'd like to say an immense well done to the Y6s this week who gave a great account of themselves with the SATs. Before they began their tests the children were all given personalised messages on postcards from their teachers; a very nice touch that I know the children appreciated and that showed how highly their teachers value them. Today the Y6s are visiting the cinema, enjoying some richly deserved down-time. I hope they have a wonderful time.

Whole school attendance and punctuality

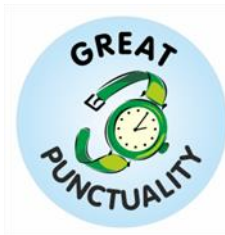
Whole school attendance target - **96.5%**

Last week we achieved 96.79%. Great work!

Attendance and punctuality winner

Congratulations to 1W,2W,3A,5A,6A,6W who had 100% attendance last week!

Fantastic work all around!



Inter-School Football match

Friday 10th June saw the beginning of the Genesis Trust Inter-Fed Football Competition with Year 6 boys showing us how it is done! Taking to the pitch, year 6 faced their first game against St Saviours and it certainly didn't take them long to get the competition started. Within the first 3 minutes of the first game St Mary's took the lead and by the end of the 4 games St Mary's came out overall winners with a final score of 2-0. We look forward to the continuation of the Inter-Fed sporting competition in the next few weeks, beginning with the Y6 girls today. The pictures below capture some of the action from last week.



Phone Calls

The office would appreciate it if all phone calls about after school arrangements are made before 2:45pm. This allows us ample time to pass on the message. Thank you.

Lines of the week: Congratulations to the following classes for best lining up last week

Atlee: Year 2 and Year 6
Morris: Year 1 and Year 3
Wilson Year 2 and Year 3

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to this week's Stars of the Week. Awards will be handed out at Friday's assembly.



1A Eli
2A Apolonia
3A Betty
4A Mudassar
5A Taegan
6A Evie Sky

1M Tahlia
2M Kya
3M Milo
4M Dante
5M Emir
6M Evan R

1W Yakira
2W Gabriel C
3W Penny
4W Isa
5W Alfie S
6W Ewan



School Photos

Stanley Baker Studios will be coming on Wednesday 5th of June to take class photos.

Please make sure pupils are in correct St Mary's school uniform on the day.



Summer Sports

With summer weather creeping upon us it is a great time to get out into the outdoors with your family and children. Club Spark are now offering FREE tennis sessions for children, adults and families over the summer period - all you have to do is book your session. These sessions are for beginners through to experienced players and all equipment is provided.

For more information please visit...
www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/MiniTennis

Year 6 Gilwell Park- Residential Trip

The Y6 residential is fast approaching! Please ensure you are still paying instalments off as you can. Keep an eye out for a date on the diary page.



Pentecost Service Church Dates:

Atlee: 3rd June - 9:30am
Wilson: 3rd June - 2pm
Morris: 4th June - 9:30am

Y6 Leavers Service:

Atlee: 15th July - 9:30am
Wilson: 15th July - 2pm
Morris: 16th July - 9:30am

Diary Dates

Dates for your diary will appear in the newsletter each week. Please keep an eye out for events relevant to you.

<i>Monday 27th - Friday 31st</i>	Half-term break
<i>Monday 3rd June</i>	Pentecost Church visit: Attlee - 9:30am Wilson - 2pm
<i>Tuesday 4th June</i>	Pentecost Church Visit: Morris - 9:30am
<i>Wednesday 5th June</i>	Year 6 Information session for Gilwell Park-9:00am (come to main office)
<i>Wednesday 5th June</i>	School Photos
<i>Thursday 6th June</i>	Year 6 Information session for Gilwell Park- 6:00pm (come to the main office)
<i>Thursday 6th June</i>	Year 5 Wilson and Year 2 Attlee Assembly, 9am
<i>Thursday 13th June</i>	Year 2 Morris and 4 Morris Assembly, 9am
<i>Thursday 20th June</i>	Year 2 Wilson Assembly, 9am
<i>Saturday 22 June</i>	School Fair
<i>24th, 25th & 26th June</i>	Year 6 Gilwell Park Residential trip
<i>Thursday 27th June</i>	Year 6 Attlee Assembly, 9am
<i>Wednesday 10th July</i>	Year 6 Wilson Assembly, 9am
<i>Monday 15th July</i>	Year 6 Leavers' Church Service: Atlee - 9:30am Wilson - 2pm
<i>Thursday 16th July</i>	Year 6 Leavers' Church Service: Morris - 9:30am

General Data Protection Act (GDPR)

Please contact the DPO with any questions about the operation of this policy or the GDPR or if you have any concerns that this policy is not being or has not been followed.

The DPO's contact details are as follows: **Data Protection Officer:** Craig Stilwell, **Address:** Judicium Consulting Ltd, 72 Cannon Street, London, EC4N 6AE **Email:** dataservices@judicium

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DATES FOR 2019-2020

Autumn Term 2019

First half (32 days)

INSET – Monday 2nd, Tuesday 3rd September, and Wednesday 4th

Start –Thursday 5th September

End - Friday 18th October

Half Term: Monday 21 October to Friday 25 October 2019

Second half (40 days)

Start - Monday 28th October

End – Friday 20th December

Christmas holiday: Monday 23rd December 2019 to Friday 3rd January 2020

Spring Term 2020

First half (29 days)

INSET - Monday 6th January 2020

Start – Tuesday 7th January 2020

End – Friday 14th February 2020

Half Term: Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February 2020

Second Half (30 days)

Start – Monday 24th February 2020

End – Friday 3^d April 2020

Easter Holiday Monday 6th April 2020 to Friday 17th April 2020

Summer Term 2020

First Half (24 days)

Start - Monday 20 April 2020

End Friday 22nd May

Bank Holidays Monday 4th May and Monday 25th May (during half term)

Half Term: Tuesday 26 May 2020 to Friday 29 May 2020

Second Half (35days)

Start – Monday 1st June

Finish Friday 17th July

This calendar gives a total of 195 days. Four Inset Days and one further day made up by staff from Twilight sessions gives 190 school days

DATES FOR 2020-2021

Autumn Term 2020

First Half (34 days)

INSET- Thursday 3rd, Friday 4th, Monday 7th September

Start- Tuesday 8th September 2020

End- Friday 23rd October 2020

Half Term: Monday 26th October to Friday 30th October 2020

Second Half (35 days)

Start- Monday 2nd November 2020

End- Friday 18th December 2020

Christmas Holiday: Monday 21st December to Friday 1st January 2021

Spring Term 2021

First Half (29 days)

INSET- Monday 4th January 2021

Start- Tuesday 5th January 2021

End- Friday 12th February 2021

Half Term: Monday 15th February 2021 to Friday 19th February 2021

Second Half (29 days)

Start- Monday 22nd February 2021

End- Thursday 1st April 2021

Easter Holiday: Friday 2nd April to Friday 16th April 2021

Summer Term 2021

First Half (29 days)

Start- Monday 19th April 2021

End- Friday 28th May 2021

Bank Holidays: Monday 3rd May and Monday 31st May 2021

Half Term: Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2021

Second Half (34 days)

Start- Monday 7th June 2021

End- Thursday 22nd July 2021

Summer Holidays: Friday 23rd July to 31st August 2021

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