

NEWSLETTER

Summer Term 2 - Week 1 & 2



Headteacher Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Over the past few weeks, our children have enjoyed some fantastic developmental workshops. Year 2 and Year 5 pupils worked hard to develop their drumming skills, culminating in joyful performances that delighted parents and showcased their impressive progress.

This week, Year 6 children have been working with a visiting artist this week to create clay figures, exploring the idea that although we are all different and unique, we all belong within our community.

We were also incredibly proud of our child-led media team, who took charge of filming, directing and carrying out sound checks as they created a Vox Pop video featuring interviews with Year 2 pupils. The finished film will be premiered at our upcoming Question Time Evening, and tickets are now on sale.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who attended our recent parent workshops. We value the opportunity to share our learning journey with you and appreciate your continued support.

As we celebrate the gifts and talents of every member of our school community, we are reminded of the words from 1 Corinthians 12:27:

"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."

Well done, everyone - a fantastic 98.8% attendance this week! Being in school every day really makes a difference to children's learning and progress, so thank you for your support.

Wishing you all a wonderful week ahead.
Joe Pitchford

Key Dates

16th June

Reception Trip

19th June

Dance-a-thon

24th June

Year 6 Trip to
Matilda

25th June

Class photos +
Question Time

27th June

Friends of St
Mary's School
Summer Fair 2pm
to 4pm

30th June

Vision of Hope
Festival 3.45

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Last week, a team of children from Years 3, 4 and 5 took part in a filmmaking project. The children took the lead throughout the process, directing, conducting interviews, managing the sound and lighting, and selecting the best camera angles. They interviewed pupils from Year 2, and the resulting vox pop video will be featured at our upcoming Question Time evening.



Our Year 2 children delighted parents with a drumming performance. Over the course of the week, they learned a range of drumming techniques and made tremendous progress. Their hard work and dedication culminated in a powerful and energetic performance that showcased their growing confidence and musical skills.

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Mini Tour de Waltham Forest

Some of our Year 5 pupils recently had the exciting opportunity to take part in a fun cycling event, held at Leyton Jubilee Park. The day began with a variety of engaging workshops designed to prepare the children for the grand finale. These included cycle sprints, a waste and recycling workshop, a pedal-powered jukebox, an air quality learning session and even a pedal-powered smoothie activity!

Following the workshops, the children took part in inter-school cycling races, where they demonstrated excellent courage, resilience, sportsmanship and camaraderie.

We would like to thank the organisers of the Mini Tour de Waltham Forest for providing such a fantastic opportunity for children across the borough.



Reminders

Medication

If your child has medication in school, please check that it is in date and that we have the correct expiry details on record. If there have been any changes to their medication or care plan, please let the office know in writing and send in any updated documents from your GP.

Healthy Snacks

As St Mary's School is a Healthy School, please send only healthy snacks such as fruit, nut-free cereal bars, yoghurt bars, or fruit bars. Chocolate, crisps, and fizzy drinks will be replaced with fruit and sent home. Please also make sure your child brings a water bottle each day, as we encourage regular water drinking and bottles can be refilled in school.

We are proud to be a nut free school.



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A VISION OF HOPE



**DON'T FORGET TO BRING IN
ANY TEDDY BEARS OR
CHOCOLATE DONATIONS
FOR OUR TEDDY BEAR STALL
AND CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA!**



3:45 - 5:30

**PREPAID FESTIVAL CARDS
AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE**

FESTIVAL

30 JUNE