

November 5th 2012

Parent Governor Election

As I wrote before the holiday, we have a vacancy on our School's Governing Body for an elected parent governor.



You should have received a nomination form before the school holiday. Forms need to be returned to me, or the school office, by 4 o'clock on Friday, 9th November. If you need another nomination form you can get one from the school office.

The provisional date for the start of the election will be Monday, 19th November and voting will end on Friday, 30th December at 3.30pm. These dates will be confirmed if we get enough peowww.bryanston.net

ple willing to stand. If only one person is nominated there will be no need for an election. Hopefully, we'll have more than one person interested!

School Uniform

The weather has definitely taken a turn towards winter and so we are now moving to our winter uniform of white shirts with collars and ties.



Most children are already out of summer uniform, but if your child is still wearing the summer uniform of white polo shirt, please sort out a shirt with a collar and tie before the end of next week.

Please also note that boots are not part of school uniform. The children should

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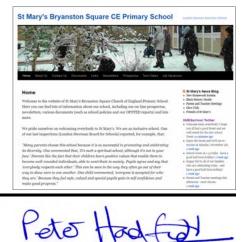
dark coloured be wearing shoes.

You can get a full uniform list from the school office.

Website

We've been having trouble with our main school website at www.brvanston.net. This hasn't affected parents accessing the site but, ironically, we've had major difficulties getting onto the site from computers in school. This seems to have been finally sorted out, but we've taken the opportunity to redesign our website (although the content from the old site is still there). If you go to bryanston.net you now have a choice to enter the main school website or log-in to our managed Learning Environment, DB Primary.

The DB Primary website is more relevant to the children







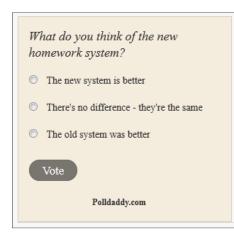


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and staff, but we are gradually getting into a position where we will soon be able to provide parents with log-in details and this may be a good way to get class information, and access to some of your child's work, in the future.

In the meantime, take a look at our new website. I'd be interested in hearing your views if you think there's a way to improve it.

I've also put a simple homework survey on the site so you can let us know what you think of our new system for setting and managing homework. If you get on the main site, look at the **St Mary's News Blog** feed on the right hand side and click on the 'New Homework System' link.



Friend of St Mary's

There are few items from Trine Maaetoft, the Chair of our Friends Association, below.

<u>Waitrose</u>

The Friends are 'collecting' green tokens at Waitrose in the Edgware Road as part of their fundraising for IT equipment in the Foundation Stage classes. If you shop in Waitrose, please drop the green token in our part of the collecting box on your way out.



International Evening

The International Evening is on WEDNESDAY, this week. It's between 5.00 and 7.00 pm in our school hall and is a free social evening with lots of interesting things to eat! Please come and join us for a couple of hours.

<u>Christmas Cards</u>

The Christmas cards from the competition before half term have been printed. Thank you for all the fantastic drawings and a special 'well done' to Harriet (Y1), Dali, Olivia (Y2), Ahmed, Cara and Alex (Y4) whose designs the Friends have chosen to be printed this year. Packs of cards will be £5 for six cards (one of each design) and can be bought from the Friends in the playground and at the International Evening on Wednesday.

If you would like your child's drawing back, please pick it up from the school office this week.

<u>Meeting</u>

The Friends also have a meeting on Friday morning this week, at 9 am, to discuss their plans for this term and beyond.

This Week

 Wednesday: Year 1 and Year 2 to the library.

- Wednesday: INTERNA-TIONAL EVENING from 5.00 to 7.00 pm in the school hall
- Friday: Friends of St Mary's - meeting at 9am in the school hall.
- Friday: last day for nominations - parent governor vacancy
 - Friday: Year 3 class assembly at 2.30

School Dates

- Wednesday, 7th November: International Evening.
- Thursday, 15th November: Open Morning
- Friday, 30th November: Foundation Stage Nativity play
- Friday, 7th December: KS1 Nativity play
- Thursday (13th) and Friday (14th) December: KS2 Christmas performances
- Wednesday, 19th December: CHRISTMAS FAIR (afternoon)
- Thursday, 20th December: Church Service
- Friday, 21st December: last day of Term 2 **please collect children** at 1.15.
- Tuesday, 8th January: first day of Term 3