

St Mary's News



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Happy New Year!

To everyone at St Mary's and I hope you all had a good holiday. This is another busy term; but they all are! Key Stage 1, for example are off to the pantomime at Wimbledon this afternoon and we've got drumming workshops, parent information sessions, library visits and swimming for Years 3 and 5 starts this week.

Today is also Mrs McSherry's last day in school for a while as she starts her maternity leave. We all wish her well and will miss her!

While Mrs McSherry is on leave Miss Granite will be our Acting Deputy Headteacher; a role she filled extremely well last year.

Mrs McSherry's support teaching timetable will be covered by Bonnie Toale, who we are pleased to welcome to St Mary's.

Parent Information Session

We are holding a Parent Information Session on 'Fit

and Healthy Eating' and 'Dental Care' this Friday between 1.15-1.45.

All parents, but especially those of children in F2 and Year 1, are invited to come and find out new ways to support your child's health.

The School Nurse has already worked in class with the children, so this is a follow up session for parents to find out more.

Parent Course

Before the holiday Sheelagh Leith flagged up a new course for parents starting next week. I've copied her information below as a reminder.

"New Parent Course starting soon. Would you like some tips and advice and support with your children's behaviour or routines? The Portman Early Childhood Centre nearby is starting a

new free course from the 16th January every Wednesday from 10 - 1pm. All very welcome. Contact Violet 07778 437204 or see Mrs Leith for more information about this course or others."



Christmas Fair, 2012

Book Fair

Part of the Christmas fair before the holiday was the Scholastic Book Fair. The Book Fair took £928.08; an amazing amount! The school receives 60% of this sum to spend on books for the school (£557.00) so, not only do your family have a lovely new book or two, but the school has lots of lovely new books for the children, too!

School Uniform

As it's the start of a new term, please check that your child is

HAPPY NEW YEAR!



Peter Hadfield

wearing the correct school uniform (dark shoes, not trainers; ties, shirts with collars, sweat-shirts). You can get a full uniform list from the school office.

Great Ormond Street Hospital

You may remember that we were collecting for Great Ormond Street Hospital at our Christmas Plays before the holiday. This was because one of our pupils in the Foundation Stage is seriously ill and is under the care of the hospital. I'm sure you will be pleased to know that we raised just over **£714.00** - a phenomenal amount for a small school like St Mary's - and I would like to thank you all for your generosity.

Proposed New University Technical College for Westminster

A Foundation has been set up in memory of Westminster City Council's former leader, Simon Milton, that is planning to establish a new University Technical College for 14–19 year olds in Westminster specialising in engineering and construction.

Westminster would like to know what you think of this proposal and so have set up an online survey at

www.westminster.gov.uk/utc

to gather your views. The information from this survey will

be used to assess the level of demand for such places from September 2014.

Please visit the website and complete the survey, whatever your view is.

If you need a paper copy of this survey we have a few in school and you can collect them from the desk at Reception.

This Week

- Tuesday: Years 3 to 6 at the Wimbledon Theatre pantomime.
- Wednesday: Year 1 and Year 2 to the library
- Wednesday: Nick McIvor, an Advanced Skills Teacher from the Marylebone School, working with a group of Year 6 mathematicians
- Thursday: Year 3 and Year 5 swimming lessons start.
- Friday: Elsa Sinclair, school dental technician, working with F2
- Friday: Meeting for parents (especially F2 and Year 1) at 1.15 on 'Healthy Eating and Dental Care.'
- Friday: INSPIRE WORKS drumming workshops for Year 1 and Year 2



School Dates

- Wednesday 13th and Thursday 14th February: Parent and Teacher Progress Meetings
- Thursday 14th February: Church Service at 9.30.
- Friday, 15th February: **Last day of Term 3.** Please collect children from classes at 1.15
- Monday, 25th February: **First day of Term 4**