

# St Mary's News



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## School Meals

I just wanted to update you on where the Local Authority is with their catering contract. The wording below is not mine. Everyone is obviously being very careful about what they say at this stage.

*The meals contractor's (Chartwell's) supplier of meat products (Fredrick's) supplied both Halal and non-Halal meat. The Halal sausages came to them from **another** supplier and due to 'working practices that may not be as good as one might hope,' a trace of pork DNA contaminated one batch of the sausages.*

*Fredrick's will no longer supply any meat to Chartwell's and new suppliers will be sought.*

*In future, Halal meat will not come from the same supplier as other meat and will **only** come from a supplier that deals solely in Halal.*

*Once the suppliers have been nominated, they will be tested by Westminster and ongoing random testing will be carried out by Environmental Health.*

There are still many questions to be answered. It's not clear at all how or why the chicken sausages were contaminated, for example.

I'm trying to get both the Local Authority and Chartwell's (the meals contractor) in the same room together to meet with parents. I hope that meeting will take place this week, but it may be after half term. I'll let you know as soon as I can.

## Fitness, Fun and Healthy Lifestyle Activities and Advice

FREE sessions!

Over the holidays there is a new event planned for Westminster families only.

Every morning - Monday 8th April to Friday 12th April - between 10.00 and 1.00 pm at Westbourne Park Children's Centre, Porchester Road, W2.

Please ring Nicky Edwards for details: 020 7563 6212.

Also, during the school Term, there are weekly sessions on Monday afternoons starting on 29 April at the Stowe Centre and St Andrews Youth Club.

See Mrs Leith for more information

## Red Nose Day

I just wanted to let you know that we raised **£338.08** on Red Nose Day for Comic Relief. Thank you, everyone, for your generosity.

## Correction

Please note that our Art Exhibition is on **WEDNESDAY, 24th April**. There was a mistake in last week's newsletter.

## What's On

- This is still Art and Literacy Week!
- Tuesday: 'Tree Day' in Year 1
- Tuesday: SATs meeting for Y2 parents at 2.30
- Wednesday: SATs meeting for Y6 parents at 3.30
- Thursday: Church Service at 9.30 in School (Yrs 1 - 6)
- Thursday: Last day of Term 4. Please collect children from class at 1.15.

## Easter Holidays

We are planning to complete the second phase of our playground planting project over Easter, by extending the brick planters at the playground entrance into the main playground to soften the fence on the southern boundary.

I hope everybody has a good Easter holiday and we look forward to see seeing you all again on Monday, 15th April.

## School Dates

- Thursday, 28th March: Last day of Term 4 - please collect children from class at 1.15
- Monday, 15th April: First day of Term 5

**Please collect children at 1.15 on Friday.**



*Peter Hadfield*