St Mary's News

October 7th 2013

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Harvest Donations

Every year at this time we have a collection as part of our Harvest celebrations. Last year we collected food for the London City Mission, who work with homeless people in London, and we are supporting the same charity this year.

They provide about 100 free breakfasts for homeless people each day and need donations of food to help with this.

Below is a list of the food items they need. If something isn't on the list, they don't need it.

- Baked beans
- Spaghetti hoops
- Sugar
- Brown sauce and ketchup
- Fruit squash/cordial
- Instant coffee
- Tinned fruit and tinned fish
- Cooking oil
- Pepper
- Baking ingredients
- Biscuits

They have specifically told us that they **do NOT need**:

- Cereals
- Kidney Beans
- Soup
- Tea.

If you want some more information about the London City Mission, you can follow the link below:

www.lcm.org.uk/Groups/9287/ London_City_Mission/Ministries/ Homeless/Homeless.aspx

Please send your donation into school any time this week before 9.00 am on Thursday. Our Harvest Service is at St Mary's Church from 9.30 (Years 1 to 6)

Help With Being A Parent

Mrs Leith writes:

"There is a New Parent Group starting this Friday (11th October) between 10.15 and 11.30 to help you to understand and support your child's behaviour and emotional needs. The 'Circle of Security Group' is at St Mary's, Wyndham Place, York Street. Money is not a barrier to attending. Please see me (Mrs Leith) for more details."

And also

Welcome to New Parents

"On Wednesday, 9th October at 9.00 am we are invit-

ing parents of children in F1 and F2, and any other parents new to school in other classes, to our Welcome Meeting in the Hall.

Meet some of the school staff, members of the Friends of St Mary's (PTA) and the School Nurse.

Have a cup of tea (thanks to the Friends Committee!) and hear how we will be supporting your children in school with their learning and wellbeing.

We look forward to seeing you there!"

Sheelagh Leith

School Website: Parent View

There's a link to the Government's 'Parent View' website on our website, or you can go straight there by typing:

http://parentview.ofsted.gov.uk into the address bar of your browser.

You can use this site to express your views about the school by answering a few questions. This information is used by OFSTED during an inspection of the school, so your view matters.

I would urge all parents to register and complete the survey

Harvest donations this week please!











During the month of October we will be celebrating the achievements and contributions made by black people within our society.

Pupils will be researching information about an inspirational person and a topic-based Black History Month homework task will be given to Key Stage 2 (Years 3, 4, 5 and 6) children.

The school kitchen will be offering a dish from Africa or the Caribbean for one day within the next few weeks.

A Black History Month display will be put up in the school hall later this month and an assembly will be held towards the end of the month to raise an awareness of this special occasion.

If you would like to contribute to this month's celebrations please contact me through the school office.

Sonia Walker (EAL cocordinator)

Lloyd's Bank Community Fund

£3000 for the children of St Mary's School? YOUR VOTE CAN MAKE THIS HAPPEN!

Our School was invited by our local Lloyds Bank to apply for a £3000 award from their Community Fund, and we would very much like to ask for your support, by voting for us please!

We put in a bid for £1000 each for the Foundation Stage, KS1 and KS2 to: enhance the children's learning through outdoor play, learning resources and to reward all the hard working children with more Golden Time playground games and equipment!

All the children in school will benefit from this bid so please ask your family and friends to support our bid.

There are several bids for this money from other organisations and the project with the most votes wins.

You can vote by:

- By Text/SMS -Just text VOTE VMNB to 61119.
 Only one SMS vote per phone number. Texts will be charged at your mobile network provider's standard rate.
- Online: go to

www.lloydsbank.com/communityfund

then type in our postcode (W1H 1DL) or school name, then click on 'vote'

Voting closes on 1st Nov 2013.

Thank you very much!

For more information, see Mrs Leith.

What's On This Week

- Wednesday: Welcome Meeting for New Parents at 9.00 am
- Harvest Service in Church (Y1—Y6) at 9.30
- Thursday: Year 4 and Year 6 swimming day
- Year 2 class assembly at 2.30

School Dates

- Thursday, 10th October: Harvest Service (Church) at 9.30
- Tuesday, 22nd October: School Photographs (individual)
- Friday, 25th October: last day of Term 1
- Monday, 4th November: first day of Term 2