

St Mary's News



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Cashless Payments

We sent home a letter about this last Friday. We're evaluating whether it's worth us setting up an online payments system for families to pay for school lunches and other things (school trips, clubs, etc). This would mean you could pay from the comfort of your home rather than have to queue in school.

However, there is a cost to the school for this and so we need to know whether it's worth us pursuing. Please, either return the slip to your child's class teacher (from the letter we sent home on Friday) or indicate your view using the online poll on our school website (address at the top of this newsletter). The more responses we receive, the more confident we can be about the decision that we make.

Thank you.

Website

As well as the poll on our website there is **LOTS** of other information about the school that parents may find useful. There is a feed from our Google Calendar that shows upcoming events and activities, such as parent meetings and after school clubs. There is also quite detailed information about our Year 6 SATs results for last year (look at the 'parent information' tab) as well

When is the Infant's Christmas Nativity Play this year?

It's on our website!

(look in the calendar for December)

as copies of this school newsletter and an archive going back to 2001! There are also copies of school policies and other documents that will be of interest to parents: our holiday dates for 2014/15, for example will help you plan ahead!

Emergencies

Every year we remind our families what would happen if there is some sort of emergency in the local area

If we were affected by some sort of major incident we would obviously take advice from the emergency services. If we had to leave our site, we would go either to St Mary's Church or St Mark's in the Old Marylebone Road, depending on advice and the circumstances.

We would do our best to put a message on our school website to explain the situation to parents, as well as sending text messages and emails.

We would NOT want families to telephone the school - we only have one telephone line and we would need that for essential communications. If you call the school, it means the line cannot be used by the emergency services, the Local Authority, etc, to communicate with us.

I hope all that makes sense. Hopefully, we will never have to do any of this! However, it would be helpful if you could let us have as many up to date **contact details** as possible, including email addresses.

- ***In the event of an emergency, we will communicate what's happening to you.***

What's On This Week

- Wednesday: Year 1 visit to the Wallace Collection
- Thursday: Year 4 and Year 6 swimming day
- Year 4 class assembly at 2.30

School Dates

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

**Have we got your up to date contact details?
email address?**



Peter Hadfield