



# ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

OUR VISION: GOOD GROUND GROWS WELL

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# NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM  
WEEK 1

## UPDATE FROM MRS NETTLESHIP

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to school! Although the weather has been very cold this week, it certainly hasn't dampened our spirits, and the children thoroughly enjoyed trying to catch the snowflakes during playtime. Reception children hosted another successful Grandparents' Coffee Morning, which was lovely to see. We also held a workshop for parents interested in joining us in Reception this September; this was extremely well supported. Please remember that 15th January is the deadline to apply for a Reception place.



Workshop for Parents

Looking ahead, on 30th January, Ealing Mental Health Services will be running a coffee morning to share information about the support available for parents and their children. Everyone is very welcome to attend.



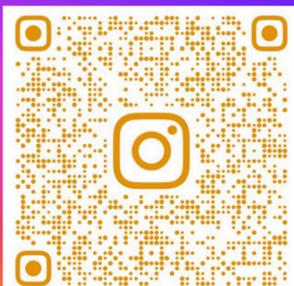
God bless,  
Mrs Nettleship

### NOTES:

- A healthy snack helps students stay focused, energized, and ready to learn; we encourage families to choose items that include whole grains, fruits, vegetables, or dairy.
- Students should arrive at school well rested to support learning and behaviour.
- Please ensure your child brings a water bottle each day.
- Regular attendance and punctuality help children feel secure and confident.
- Please ensure your child wears the correct school uniform every day, including appropriate shoes and weather-appropriate outerwear.

### Attendance Champions

	Beech 99.31%
	Elm 95.65%
	Sapling 95.27%



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# How we have grown this week!



## Saplings

This week, Saplings explored firefighters, learning how people help keep us safe. In RE, we talked about who is special to us, and in maths we explored moving and labelling numbers.

## Ash

Ash Class consolidated Level 2 phonics this week. We explored 'Lost and Found' by Oliver Jeffers, writing independent sentences. In maths, 5 Alive launched, strengthening number sense and confident counting.

## Beech

We explored Pinocchio, comparing toys from the past, then created stick puppets. In Design Technology, Little Red Riding Hood inspired children to design and prepare characters for sewing puppets.

## Chestnut

In RE, we explored Judaism and festivals. In English, 'Milo Imagines the World' inspired contractions, onomatopoeia and similes. In Science, we learned materials suit different purposes in everyday objects used.

## Damson

In English this week, we explored 'The Magic Paintbrush', crafting imaginative similes. In maths, we mastered multiplying by 10, and in dance, we energetically learned the jazz square with enthusiasm.

## Elm Class

In Elm Class, we began learning about Hinduism in RE, and explored the Indus Valley in history. We also practised multiplication and factors in maths, and enjoyed 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory' in English.

## Field Maple/Grey Willow

This week, Year 5 began their English journey exploring Greta Thunberg, while Year 6 started reading Pig Heart Boy. We also discussed inheritance in Science and learned about the 6th Guru in Sikhism during RE.

## Thought for the week



**'When they saw the star, they were overjoyed.'**  
**Matthew 2:10**

At Epiphany, we remember the moment the wise men finally arrived at their destination and met Jesus. Their journey had been long and unpredictable, but they kept following the star because they trusted it would lead them somewhere important. Their joy wasn't just about reaching the end of the journey — it was about discovering something new and wonderful. As we begin a new year, this story invites us to think about the "stars" we are following in our own lives: the goals we set, the habits we are building, the people who guide and encourage us, and the opportunities to learn and grow. The wise men remind us that God can guide us forward, even when the way ahead isn't always clear, and that joy often comes when we are willing to take the next step.

### Something to pray

Dear God, Thank you for guiding the wise men to Jesus and for the joy they found along the way. As we begin this new year, help us to look for your guidance in our choices, our friendships and our learning. Give us hope when the journey feels long, courage to keep going and joy as we discover new possibilities ahead.

Amen

# Spring Term 2026 Football Club



@StMary'sCofE  
Primary School

Years 3 - 6 Fridays

3.15pm - 4.15pm

9th January - 20<sup>th</sup> March  
£55.50 (10 Sessions)

SCAN  
ME



No session on 20th February (half term)

## BOOK ONLINE

[www.thepsdgroup.org.uk/psd-clubs](http://www.thepsdgroup.org.uk/psd-clubs)



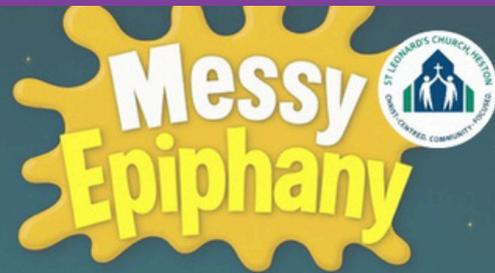
RAISING THE STANDARDS IN  
PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORT



info@thepsdgroup.org.uk

0203 397 7409

**Saturday 10th January**  
**1:00-3:00pm**



**Crafts, Bible stories, singing, prayers**  
**For primary school-aged children (children need to bring an adult with them)** **FREE!**

St Leonard's Church, Heston Road, TW5 ORD 020 8570 2288

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## After School Club



- Tech Club – Monday  
(Photography  
Kahoot)
- Pizza Party - Tuesday
- Cooking Club - Wednesday
- Team Sports - Thursday
- Movie Night - Friday  
3:10 – 5:00 = £8.00  
3:10 – 6:00 = £12.00

Homework and Reading everyday

All bookings to be made on school money

# Have You Booked Your School Meals ?

We are delighted to be serving school meals at St Mary's Church of England Primary School.

We believe that a school dinner is not just an essential part of a child's development but also a vital part of their wider schooling experience.

All school meals must be pre-booked using our online meal ordering portal.

**1** Check your emails for a welcome email containing your login details.

To order, simply visit our website **2**  
[www.theorchardcontractcatering.co.uk](http://www.theorchardcontractcatering.co.uk)  
Please visit the "Meal Ordering Portal" tab

**3** Log in to your account using the login details provided via email.

**4** Begin placing your orders!  
Please ensure meals are booked by 9:00am on the day the meal is being served.



If you are experiencing any issues with your account, Please contact us using the contact details.



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***DID YOU KNOW?***

At Present, all children from Reception - Year 6 receive a free school meal every lunch time!