



ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

OUR VISION: GOOD GROUND GROWS WELL

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NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM
WEEK 2

UPDATE FROM MRS NETTLESHIP

This week, Vicky Kemble, our Chair of Trustees, and John Martin, our local councillor, met with the School Council. The children asked Vicky thoughtful questions about why she wanted to become a trustee and what her role involves, gaining a valuable insight into leadership and governance. John Martin spoke to the children about his role as a councillor and shared information about a current project he is working on to reduce fly-tipping. He explained why fly-tipping is a serious problem and that it costs Ealing taxpayers around £3 million each year. He then asked the children for their help in raising awareness of this issue within the community. It was a very informative and engaging session, and the children represented the school extremely well.

Next week, our Year 4 class are looking forward to visiting the Mandir as part of their learning, and we are sure they will represent the school with the same enthusiasm and excellent behaviour.

God bless,
Mrs Nettleship



School Council Meeting



Welcome Ms Allen

We are pleased to introduce Ms Allen, Assistant Headteacher at St John's Primary School, who will be taking on the role of Partnership Attendance Lead across our schools. This is an important development in strengthening our shared approach to attendance across the Ecclesia Partnership.

With increased national focus on attendance, and new expectations from both Government and Local Authorities, schools are now required to monitor, report and support attendance with greater consistency and take swifter action where improvement is needed, including fines. Ms Allen's role will help ensure that our partnership meets these expectations and continues to provide strong support for pupils and families.

We are delighted to welcome Mrs Allen into this new partnership role and look forward to the positive impact her leadership will bring!

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 98.13%



Field Maple 94.29%



Damson 93.60 %



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How we have grown this week!



Saplings

This week, Saplings explored police through role-play, building speaking and listening skills. We discussed feelings about losing special items and explored position and routes in mathematics during group activities.

Ash

This week in Ash Class, children explored 1 more and 1 less in maths, using subitising to find answers without counting. We also began Level 3 phonics and enthusiastically learned the new sound actions.

Beech

In Design Technology we explored joining materials with glue, staples, pins and paper clips. In science we learnt about our senses and how we use them. We enjoyed finding the pulse in music.

Chestnut

This week in maths we used arrays to show multiplication is commutative. In RE, we explored Rosh Hashanah and its focus on prayer and forgiveness. In DT, we created paper linkages using split pins.

Damson

This week in Damson Class, we enjoyed exploring different rocks and their properties in science, and in geography, we compared villages, towns, and cities, learning how settlements differ.

Elm Class

In Elm Class, we practised the column method for multiplication in maths, explored the Hindu symbol Aum and the creation story in RE, and discussed money and economic wellbeing in PSHE.

Field Maple/Grey Willow

This week, we discussed how the 7th Sikh Guru cared for the world. In geography, we identified renewable energy sources, and in science, we developed our understanding of inheritance.

Thought for the week



'While Jesus was praying, heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit came down upon him ... And a voice came from heaven, "You are my own dear Son. I am pleased with you." - Luke 3:21-22

This moment in Jesus' life is often called his baptism, and it tells us something really special: before Jesus began his teaching, before the miracles, before the crowds, God reminded him that he was loved and valued. God didn't say, "I am pleased with you because of what you have done," but simply, "I am pleased with you." In school, it can be easy for us to think our worth comes from achievements—our test scores, how fast we run, how well we read, or how neat our work looks. But this passage reminds us that God loves us for who we are, not just for what we do. When we make time to pause and pray—like Jesus did—we can be reminded of that same truth: we are deeply loved, known and valued.

Something to pray

Dear God, Thank you that before anything else, you love us for who we are. Help us to remember that our value does not come from achievements, but from being your children. As we work, play and learn this week, may we encourage others and help them to feel known and valued too.

Amen.

Spring Term 2026 Football Club



@StMary'sCof E
Primary School

Years 3 - 6 Fridays

3.15pm - 4.15pm

9th January - 20th March
£55.50 (10 Sessions)

SCAN
ME



No session on 20th February (half term)

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www.thepsdgroup.org.uk/psd-clubs



RAISING THE STANDARDS IN
PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORT



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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

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST



SATURDAY 24TH JANUARY, 9:30-11:00AM

ST LEONARD'S CHURCH HALL, HESTON ROAD, TW5 0RD

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.

2

To order, simply visit our website
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!