



# NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN TERM  
WEEK 10

## ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

OUR VISION: GOOD GROUND GROWS WELL

[Click here for upcoming dates or check your Class Dojo events](#)

### UPDATE FROM MRS NETTLESHIP

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, the children had their individual and class photos taken, and we hope you enjoy the wonderfully cute pictures as much as we do! It was lovely to see so many smiling faces and smart outfits across the school. Year 6 also visited the local care home, where they represented our school beautifully-we are incredibly proud of them.

Looking ahead to next week, Year 4 will be the final class to visit Pitshanger Museum, rounding off a fantastic series of visits that have really enriched their learning. Year 2 will also be heading off on their exciting trip to RAF Hendon, where they will have the chance to explore aircraft, history, and hands-on exhibits. As we move further into the festive season, please keep an eye out for notices and adverts about our upcoming Christmas events; we have lots of joyful activities planned and we can't wait to share them with you and the children.



Year 6 at Norwood Green Care Home

God bless,  
Mrs Nettleship



### NOTICES

- **Forest School:** Please ensure your child comes to Forest School with warm, waterproof layers-including a hat, gloves as the weather gets colder during our outdoor sessions.
- **Attendance and Punctuality:** A gentle reminder that good attendance and being on time every day help children make the most of their learning.
- **Reading at Home:** Please remember to listen to your child read daily and sign their reading record. Regular reading supports confidence and progress.

Attendance Champions	
	Elm 97.13%
	Field Maple 96.03%
	Beech 95.14%



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# How we have grown this week!



## Saplings

Saplings explored 'The Gingerbread Man' and its ingredients and learned how Christmas is celebrated around the world. They also practised seeing 1, 2, 3 and explored repeats in stories, songs, and rhymes.

## Ash

Ash Class began practising for their Christmas production and enjoyed learning new songs. In RE, we reflected on Mary and Joseph's feelings using words like worried, tired, excited, and joyful.

## Beech

This week in Beech Class we made maps and explored the school grounds. In maths, we began subtraction, and in English, we started 'The Queen's Hat' and explored London landmarks.

## Chestnut

In Chestnut Class we hunted minibeasts in school microhabitats, learned about Bessie Coleman's historical significance, and explored the Christingle in RE, discussing which symbol mattered most to us.

## Damson

Damson Class used similes, metaphors, personification and adverbial phrases to write detailed sentences inspired by Flood. They also created a colourful Advent calendar using paint and recycled materials.

## Elm Class

This week we built our own circuits in science, learned about relative clauses and descriptive devices in English, and explored the idea of prophecy during our RE lessons.

## Field Maple/Grey Willow

This week we planned and began writing our own version of the focus book in English. In Forest School we learned how birds make nests, and in PE we developed football skills.

## Thought for the week



**"The Lord is my shepherd. I will not be in need."**  
- Psalm 23

This week, we reflect on the comforting words from Psalm 23: "The Lord is my shepherd. I will not be in need." David reminds us that God guides, protects, and provides for us just as a shepherd cares for every sheep in their flock. When we feel uncertain, overwhelmed, or unsure of what comes next, we can remember that we are never alone. God walks with us, leads us to places of peace, and gives us what we need to grow, learn, and flourish. As a school community, may we find reassurance in knowing that God is watching over us, helping us to look after one another and to trust that we will be given strength for each step ahead.

### Something to pray

Loving God,

Thank you for being our shepherd and for caring for us each day. Help us to trust in your guidance and to remember that you provide what we need. Teach us to look after one another with kindness, patience, and compassion. Be with us in our learning, our friendships, and our challenges this week. May we feel your peace and walk confidently, knowing you are always beside us.

Amen

# Christmas Fair and Carols



School Hall & Garden

Thursday

11th Dec

3.15 pm - 5 pm

*Gift*

*Food*

*Stalls*

free entry

*Christmas  
Games*

*Hot  
Chocolate*

# 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  
[www.theorchardcontractcatering.co.uk](http://www.theorchardcontractcatering.co.uk)  
Please visit the "Meal Ordering Portal" tab

**2**

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

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

**4**

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!

# THE PLOUGH & ST. MARY'S CHURCH NORWOOD GREEN

Tentelow Lane UB2 4LG | 020 8574 7473

# CHRISTMAS MARKET

**Saturday 29th November  
1pm - 6pm**



**Craft Stalls, Interactive Stalls, Face Painting, ,  
Santa's Grotto, Live Music,  
Carol Singing, Mulled Wine,  
Great Food & Beer**

# CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

3:00pm

Sunday  
14th  
December



**JOIN THE CELEBRATION!**

St Leonard's Church, Heston Road, TW5 0RD



# Gentleman's Bake Off

## Sunday 14th December

Bring your entries to The Plough Pub  
by 2pm  
for judging at 2:30pm

The Plough Pub Norwood Green, Tentelow Lane UB2 4LG | 020 8574 7473

**BAKES WILL BE SOLD AFTER THE JUDGING.  
PROCEEDS WILL GO TO HOPE FOR SOUTHALL STREETHOMELESS**



# 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

**FREE**

# onlineparenting workshop



**FATHERS  
GROUP**

## Father / Child Bonds: Building Connection Through Presence

Delivered by:  
Derek Willis  
Ealing Parenting  
Service

Tuesday, 25th  
November 2025  
10am-12pm  
via MS  
Teams

Fathers often play a unique and vital role in the journey of raising children. For fathers of children with additional needs, this journey can bring rewarding moments and also present distinct challenges that shape family life from birth through adulthood and beyond.

This workshop is specifically designed for fathers like you –men who are seeking not only support and guidance, but also community and empowerment as you navigate the complexities of raising a child with additional needs



**Please note:** this is a targeted workshop for **men only**.

email [parentingserviceadmin@ealing.gov.uk](mailto:parentingserviceadmin@ealing.gov.uk) to register your place



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