



ST MARY MAGDALEN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter – Summer 8 | 17th June 2022

Yesterday, we were very lucky to enjoy Year One's first ever school assembly. Their message about the importance of both giving and receiving forgiveness was very thought-provoking and it was a delight to see them approach this new challenge with such confidence and happiness. Thank you to all the parents who attended and to Ms Vunaki and Mrs Brun for their hard work preparing the children.

Dates for your diary

Saturday 18th June – First Holy Communions	Thursday 30th June – TBC Mufti Day (Home Produce)
Tuesday 21st June – Year 2 and Year 3 Barnes Literature Festival	Friday 1st July – Sports Day
Wednesday 22nd June – Year 4, Year 5 and Year 4 Barnes Literature Festival	Saturday 2nd July – School Summer Fair
Thursday 23rd June – Year 3 British Museum Trip	Monday 4th July – London Youth Games Basketball Tournament
Thursday 23rd June – Year 2 Cake Sale	Wednesday 6th July – New Reception Parents' Welcome Evening 7-8pm
Thursday 23rd June – Year 1 Barnes Literature Festival	Thursday 7th July – Reports to Parents
Thursday 23rd June – Year 2 Assembly 9am	Thursday 7th July – Movie Night
Friday 24th June – Reception and Year 1 Vauxhall City Farm	Friday 8th July – Year 3D Cake Sale
Friday 24th June – Cycle Ride to Paris	Wednesday 13th July – Year 6 Production 7pm
Friday 24th June – Mufti Day (Bottle etc.)	Thursday 14th July – Year 6 Production 7pm
Monday 27th June – Reception Hearing Test	Friday 15th July – New Reception Children Stay and Play 2-3pm
Wednesday 29th June – Whole School Mass Lead by Year 5	Monday 18th – Wednesday 20th July – Year 6 Cycle Training
Thursday 30th June – Reception Assembly 9am	Monday 18th July – Curry and Quiz Night
Thursday 30th June – Math's Week London Celebrations	Tuesday 19th July – Junior Disco
Thursday 30th June – Year 5 Trip to Beekeepers	Thursday 21st July – Leavers' Mass 9.30am
	Thursday 21st July – Last Day of Term 1pm finish

PTA Spring Clean 2 – Jubilee Acts of Service

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously of their time and energy last Saturday as part of the school and churches Jubilee Acts of Service – our second "Spring Clean" of the year. It was a pleasure to have the Confirmation Candidates with us, many of them former Mary Mag's pupils. We were also very fortunate to be joined by parishioners, governors and parents. It has made a real difference to the school and the

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children have enjoyed the additional space created this week. Thank you to Justin Black for all his hard work organising the event.

Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

Thank you to Yolanda, Kirsty and Katie for running our pre-loved uniform sale again this week. It is great that we are able to re-use so many items of uniform and we raised £77! I know that we are also hoping to have a “Shoe Swap” so do drop off any donations if you have them.

Locality Sports

This week some of our Year Six pupils took part in a locality sports event at Barn Elms. The event was organised by NS Sport as Borough Sports was sadly cancelled this year. The children competed in a range of track and field events and did a fantastic job coming second in the small school’s group and fourth overall. And congratulations to Rosie O’Connell who came 3rd in the individual category. Well done to all those who participated and thank you to Anne Grech, Josh Desouza and Hassan for your help on the day.



Sports Day Postponed

Unfortunately, the extreme weather today resulted in public health advice to postpone our sports day. Thank you for your understanding regarding this decision. Sports day will now be held on Friday 1st July. Children can be taken home after the event but we also understand that the change of timings mean that some children may have to stay at school and, as before, this can be booked via NS Sport. If you have booked for Friday 24th this will automatically be transferred to the 1st July. If we are unable to run sports day on the 1st then there is no alternative date and the competition will take place in smaller groups in school.

Maths Week London Celebration

We are looking forward to celebrating Maths day on Thursday 30th June. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to speak to the children about how maths is used in their job. We will be contacting you next week to confirm timings.

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To make the day extra special we would love the children to come in dressed as anything maths related. In previous years we have had dice, dominoes, clock faces, calculators and many more! We will be awarding prizes for the most creative costume in each class.

Senior Leadership

As you know, Mrs Farrell-Cotton is currently on maternity leave having welcomed her son Jack. As we are always striving to ensure that we are providing the best possible education for our children we have appointed two teachers to our senior leadership team. I am looking forward to working with Mrs Derby in her new role as Curriculum Lead and Mrs Anderson as Pastoral Lead.

First Holy Communions

This weekend, many of our Year Three pupils will be celebrating their First Holy Communion. Please keep them and their families in your prayers as they prepare to celebrate this blessed sacrament.

Pupils of the Week

Reception Paddington Class - Marjorie Man
Year 1 Circus Class – The Whole Class
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Year 2 Tribe Class – Shanice Man
Year 3D Leap Class - Rosa Amechi
Year 3FC Zeal Class – Mergen Badral
Year 4 Journey Class – Naya Assi
Year 5 – Aurora Class – The Whole Class
Year 6 – Parade Class – The Whole Class

Headteacher's Award for Exceptional Work

Alessio Arcari, Sienna Campbell, Evelyn Dolan
for descriptive writing - you gave me shivers

Emilia Newbold, Maia Smith, Joshua Couch for
their work on decimals and percentages

Orla Chandler for super sewing in art

Magda Wood, Matilda Harrison, Louis Parletti
and Amelia Wilkes for marvelous maths

I hope you enjoy the sunshine and keep cool this weekend.

Catherine Hughes,
Headteacher