



ST MARY MAGDALEN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter - Autumn 8 | 21st October 2022

It has been a very busy and successful half term. We are particularly proud of our Reception pupils who have completed their first half term at school – what a fantastic achievement. Thank you to all our Reception parents and to our amazing Reception team, Mrs Anderson, Miss Nugent, Mrs Dubock and Mrs Lally. It was also wonderful to welcome back our Year 6 pupils from their week long residential in France. The children had a fantastic time exploring Amiens Cathedral, learning more about life in the trenches and enjoying a variety of water sports. We are so proud of the kindness, maturity and resilience the children have shown. Thank you to Mrs O’Gorman, Mrs Black and Mrs Sullivan for accompanying the children on this very special trip.

Dates for your diaries

<p>Week Commencing 24th October – Half Term</p> <p>Monday 31st October – School Closed INSET</p> <p>Tuesday 1st November – School Closed INSET</p> <p>Friday 4th November – Year 4 Trip to Fulham Palace</p> <p>Friday 4th November - Great Mary Mags Bake-off cake sale to provide new aprons for art department</p> <p>Wednesday 9th November – Year 2 Florence Nightingale Workshop</p> <p>Friday 11th November – Remembrance Service – Led by Year 6, Year 6 parents are invited to attend</p> <p>Friday 11th November – Mufti Day to support the Christmas Fair</p> <p>Wednesday 16th November – Girls’ Football Tournament</p> <p>Thursday 17th November – Open Morning for Current Parents</p> <p>Thursday 17th November – Year 5 & 6 Basketball Tournament</p> <p>Friday 18th November – Mufti Day to support the Christmas Fair</p> <p>Friday 18th November - Year 5 Class Assembly</p> <p>Sunday 20th November – Big Brunch Fundraiser St Mary Magdalen Church 10-1pm</p> <p>Tuesday 22nd November - School Photos Siblings and Individual</p>	<p>Wednesday 23rd November – Year 3 Trip to Fulham Palace</p> <p>Wednesday 23rd November – Year 5 Science Museum</p> <p>Friday 25th November – Mufti Day to support the Christmas Fair</p> <p>Friday 25th November - Year 4 Class Assembly</p> <p>Wednesday 30th November – Boys’ Football Tournament</p> <p>Thursday 1st December – Advent Liturgies, in school</p> <p>Thursday 1st December – Reception and Year 6 Heights and Weights</p> <p>Friday 2nd December – Mufti Day to support the Christmas Fair</p> <p>Saturday 3rd December – Christmas Fair</p> <p>Tuesday 6th December – Nativity Play Dress Rehearsal</p> <p>Thursday 8th December – Nativity Play</p> <p>Friday 9th and Tuesday 13th December - Christmas Movie nights</p> <p>Tuesday 13th December – Christmas Lunch</p> <p>Wednesday 14th December - Class Christmas parties in school</p> <p>Thursday 15th December – Carol Service Years 4-6, 7pm</p> <p>Friday 16th December – Last day of term – School closes 1pm</p>
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Class Assemblies

After half term, we will begin to welcome parents to our annual class assemblies. These are a great opportunity for you to join us in school. The dates for each class are below:

Friday 18th November - Year 5 Class Assembly - After Drop Off

Friday 25th November - Year 4 Class Assembly - After Drop Off

Friday 13th January - Year 3 Class Assembly - After Drop Off

Friday 20th January - Year 2 Class Assembly - After Drop Off

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Friday 27th January - Year 1 Class Assembly - After Drop Off

Friday 3rd February - Reception Class Assembly - After Drop Off

Basketball Tournament

On Tuesday ten children competed in a basketball tournament. The children were phenomenal and came 4th overall narrowly missing out on a place in the final. The children really enjoyed it and they were great ambassadors for the school setting a wonderful example with their team work. Well done to Sofia F, Rose M, Rosa, Danny, Filip, Riley, Max, Grace, JP, Arthur. Thank you to Hassan and all the parents who helped on the day.

Tag Rugby Tournament

Our Year 5 pupils bravely represented the school in a Year 6 tag rugby tournament on Wednesday. Despite facing pupils over a year older than them the team performed incredibly well. We were particularly proud of the determination and resilience they displayed and it was great preparation for next year. Thank you to all those who helped on the day and to Hassan for his coaching and well done to Bertie, Elias, Luca, Bennie, Tomas, Beatrice, Charlotte and Eva.

Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

Thank you to Kirsty, Yolanda, Fran and Jean for running another pre-loved uniform sale. We are so lucky to have such dedicated volunteers that help make sure that our uniform is accessible and affordable. We also managed to raise £100 for the school.

2nd Hand Costume Sale

Thanks to all those who supported the 2nd Hand Costume Sale this week, £77 was raised. This money has been used to pay for the Halloween Decoration and treats for the children for the Halloween Disco today. Thank you to the PTA for all their hard work organising the half term celebration this week. The children had a wonderful time and a nice way to end a very busy half term.

Parents' Evenings

Thank you to everyone who attended our parents' evenings over the last two weeks. It is wonderful to be able to welcome you back to site and talk to you about your children's progress. Thank you to all our teachers who have worked so hard to prepare for these meetings and to ensure the children have continued to make good progress this half term. We will be holding an information meeting for current parents after drop off on Thursday 17th November. It will be an opportunity for you to find out about what the school is focusing on this year, to tour the school and to catch up over a cup of tea or coffee.

Parent Consultation

We have had 12 responses to our parent questionnaire regarding the school's approach to relationships and health education. To take part in the consultation, please do the following:

- Access the Parent Consultation Tool here:
www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-consultation-primary

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- Undertake the Parent Consultation course provided.
- Complete the following questionnaire:
<https://forms.gle/7c5ZUMKEAywmHDXz5>
- Send us your feedback by: **Thursday 3rd November**

INSET Days

After half term, we will have two training days for staff on Monday 31st October and Tuesday 1st November. These days will be focussed on training to revisit and enhance our curriculum offer for the children and to ensure all members of staff are trained in delivering Read Write Inc phonics.

Great St Mary Mags Bake Off

It is with great excitement that the PTA would like to announce the Great St Mary Mags Bake Off is back! The competition will take place on the first Friday after half term Friday 4th, November at the end of the school day. There will be prizes for the best bakers. The entries will be sold off after the competition, with all the funds raised going to the Art Department. Please bring your home baking in at drop off Friday 4th November.

Christmas Card Competition

October seems a little early to be thinking about Christmas. However, the Mayor and Leader of the Council are searching for budding artists to design their annual Christmas cards. Winners will have their designs made into real cards and will also be invited to have tea with the Mayor and Leader. The closing date for entries is Friday 11th November. For more details on how to enter please visit their website:

https://www.richmond.gov.uk/council/councillors/mayor/mayors_competitions

St Mary Magdalen’s Big Brunch Fundraiser

The team behind the Harvest Hoedown and the Platinum Jubilee celebrations are putting on a Big Brunch Fundraiser for the St Mary Magdalen church on World Youth Day, Sunday 20th November, 10am-1pm.

The event will take place in the church grounds after 9.30am and 11am masses.

Please do come and support our parish family.

Pupils of the Week

Reception Antarctica – Gabriel Hart

Year 1 Australia – Luke Wadie

Year 2 Africa – Tilly Couch

Year 3 North America – Lucie Adamson

Year 4 South America – John Gates
and Sienna Campbell

Year 5 Europe – Morgan Coughlan

Year 6 Asia – The Whole Class

**Thank you for setting such an excellent
example!**

Headteacher’s Award for Exceptional Work

Georgie, Grayson and Eva for terrifying
newspaper reports

Sofia for wonderful, welcoming letter writing

Beatrice for marvelous mathematics

Vanessa and Eva for amazing artworks

Charlie Farrant for his creative writing

Everyone for their hard work this half term!

Thank you for all your support this half term. I hope you have a wonderful week with your children. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Wednesday 2nd November.

Catherine Hughes,
Headteacher

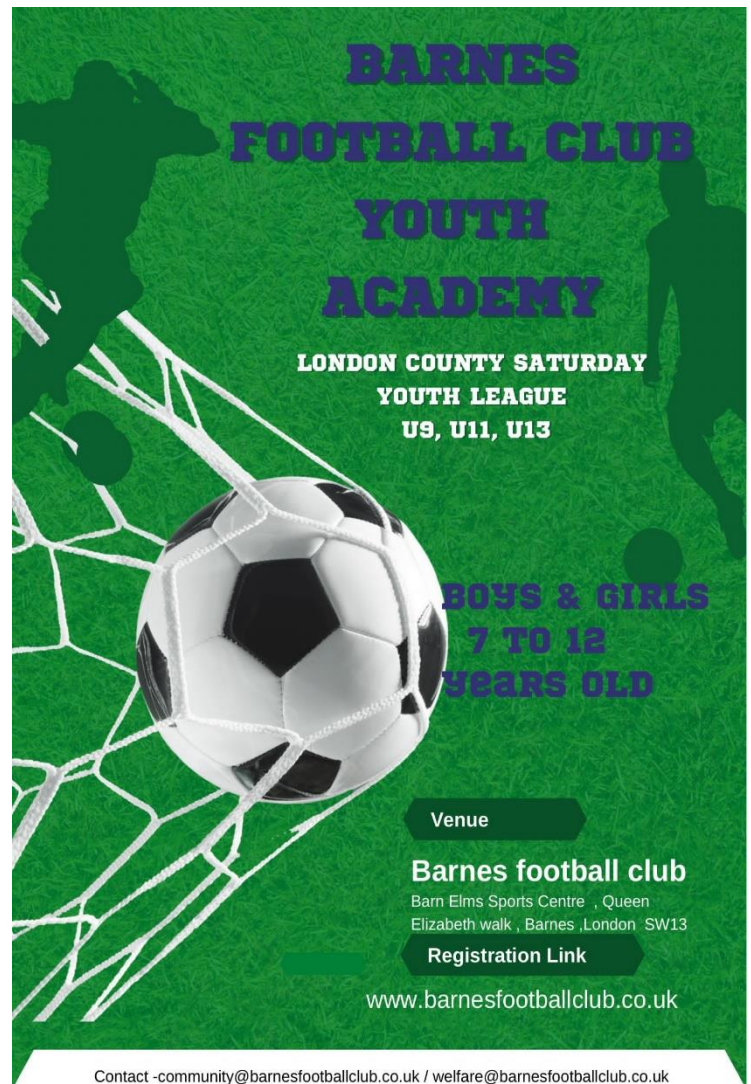


*St Mary Magdalen's
World Youth Day*
BIG BRUNCH ✨
Fundraiser

Illustrations include: a treble clef with musical notes, a burger on a plate with strawberries, a 'LUCKY DRAW' ticket, a glass of orange juice with fruit, a coffee cup, a croissant, and a coffee cup.

Sunday 20th November 10 - 1pm

Church Grounds after 9.30 and 11am mass, all welcome!



**BARNES
FOOTBALL CLUB
YOUTH
ACADEMY**

**LONDON COUNTY SATURDAY
YOUTH LEAGUE
U9, U11, U13**

**BOYS & GIRLS
7 TO 12
YEARS OLD**

Venue

Barnes football club
Barn Elms Sports Centre , Queen
Elizabeth walk , Barnes ,London SW13

Registration Link

www.barnesfootballclub.co.uk

Contact -community@barnesfootballclub.co.uk / welfare@barnesfootballclub.co.uk