



# St. Mary's C of E Primary School

'Live life, love learning guided by God'

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**Head's Lines:** Thank you for your donations on the gate this morning for the Grenfall House families in Notting Hill. Who have experienced such a tragic week. Our thoughts and prayers are with them. We have raised £145 so far which we will ensure gets to their fundraising page

Today St Mary's children have been building dens around the grounds and thinking about children around the world who have no shelter.

The children in Lemon Class have successfully completed their Phonics Screening tests this week. Thank you for your encouragement with their phonics and daily reading at home. All of our statutory end of key stage tests, have now been completed. Teachers are in the process of writing the end of year reports at the moment. I will of course let you know which teaching staff will be working with your children next year as soon as I can.

We are looking forward to Science Week on Monday—thankyou to Miss Russell for organising the workshops which are taking place on Monday throughout the day. Next week we are welcoming the parents joining Cherry Class in September 2017 to the St Mary's family with a presentation on Monday afternoon.

Please do remember that if you have any questions or concerns about your child you are able to contact me or my Deputy, Mrs Coles, via the school office at any time. Thank you Lemon Class for the tasty salad sandwich that I have just eaten— the lettuce that you grew tasted delicious! Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the glorious sunshine. Mrs Hodgson

## Class news this week:

**Kiwi:** This week in Kiwi Class we have had some very special visitors – butterflies! Erin & Noah brought five beautiful butterflies to Kiwi Class that they had been taking care of since they were caterpillars. We read the story of the Hungry Caterpillar, counted how many butterflies were in the net, and waited very patiently for them to climb out of their house and fly away.



**Cherry Class:** This week in Cherry Class we have been exploring sinking and floating. We have made our very own boats, submarines and water planes then tested them in the water to see if they floated. Then we added plastic bears to our creations to see if they were able to still stay afloat. We had great fun cutting and joining materials together. We have also started looking at our new book 'We are going on a bear hunt'. We have been thinking about what we might need to take with us if we were to go on the bear hunt.



**Lemon Class:** This week Lemon class had a great time making sandwiches with our home grown lettuce! We made cheese, tomato and lettuce sandwiches and felt very proud that we grew the lettuce all by ourselves! We also had a fantastic time during den day- we made teepee tents out of canes and sheets and read our books in the teepees.

**Orange Class:** This week Orange Class went on a hunt in our outdoor area. We were looking for natural items on the bank and in the field. With all the things we found we made beautiful collages.



**Blueberry Class:** As part of our new topic about Russia, Blueberry class have been learning the story of the Firebird, which is an old Russian folktale. We used drawings and dance to help learn the beginning of the story so that we could re-tell it by heart as a storyteller. We then re-wrote the first stages of the tale as a diary from Prince Ivan's point of view.



**Strawberry and Apricot Classes:** This week Strawberry and Apricot classes have been learning how to present a balanced argument in the context of rainforests. As we all know, many of the rainforests in the world are being destroyed. The children have been discussing why this is happening and the impact it has on the environment.



**Mango Class:** This week Mango Class thought about children and people who had no shelter as part of Den Day. We talked about countries around the world where there are people who do not have a shelter or who are living in temporary homes. We also thought about the families who no longer have a home following the fire in London and said a prayer for them. Following this, we designed and made our own shelters—some were more successful than others as the wind unfortunately flattened some! We all really enjoyed the afternoon—well done Mango Class for great teamwork.



**Pineapple Class:** Year 6 have been at Sayers Croft Outdoor Activity Centre since Wednesday this week and we are looking forward to hearing about their adventures next week.

### Stars of the week:



**Lemon Class: Samantha** for her consistently positive and hard working attitude to all of her learning. **Augustus** for his super effort in maths this week.

**Orange Class: Alice** and **Charlie** for excellent perseverance and resilience in maths this week.

**Blueberry: Elli** for working diligently all week in her learning and **Jake** for fantastic learning all week.

**Apricot: Rebekah** and **Grace** for the practice they are putting into becoming members of the 144 Club. **Mattei** for an excellent piece of home learning about tropical rain forests.

**Strawberry: Maria** for consistently being so hard working and enthusiastic. **Isabel** for a super attitude to learning and being a good friend to others.

**Mango: Leo** for the improvement in his behaviour this week and **Elliott** for being a sensible friend to others.



**Congratulations to all of you we are proud to have you as part of our school!**

Don't forget to have a regular look at the class pages on the school website [www.stmaryschessington.co.uk](http://www.stmaryschessington.co.uk)

where you will find some photographs of recent school trips and visits. Mrs Hodgson

### Attendance & Behaviour:

Whole school attendance this week is 95.6%. Blueberry class had the best attendance this week with 99.3%. **Well done to Blueberry Class..**

The class we need to encourage to get to school on time this week is **Strawberry Class.**

**This week over 30 children from accross the school have been late in the morning. The registers are taken at 9am and Assembly starts at 9.05am. Thank you for your support in getting the children to school on time.**

### Families and Friends News:

The school fair is fast approaching and preparations are well in hand. However we still need old china, plates, mugs etc. for the China Derby stall. Also, we are still collecting any clean school uniform with the logo on. These can be handed into the office .

#### **Upcoming events:**

Wednesday 21st June—Pineapple class cake sale.

Tuesday 11th July—Summer Disco

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### Notes from the office :

**Lunchtime Supervisors:** We are still looking to recruit some more 'bank' lunchtime supervisors, who would be willing to stand in for a regular supervisor should they be unable to cover a lunchtime. If you are interested please speak to Mrs Coles.

Please ensure that your children wear the **correct school uniform**. There is a list on the school website with a link to our uniform provider. School shoes should be black and trainers are only allowed to be worn in PE and during lunchtime play.

Don't forget **St Mary's Church Fete** is this Saturday 12 to 3pm. They would love to see you there.

### Sports Blog

The Mighty Saints hosted a year1&2 football match on Tuesday 13th June against Lovelace School. The children turned all their pre match excitement and nerves into a really positive, courageous performance playing some fantastic open football. All the children showed great skill and determination to do their very best for the team.

We won our first match 2-0. We drew 0-0 in the second game. Won 1-0 in the third game and conceded a late goal to make the score 2-2 in the last game.

All the children did St Marys proud. Fantastic effort by all, well done everybody

**Diary Dates:** \* = new date **Don't forget!** You can also see a full list of school events on the school calendar which is on our website.

19<sup>th</sup> June – Science Week

21<sup>st</sup> June – Kingston Singing Festival – Choir

**22nd June—Apricot Class Assembly**

22<sup>nd</sup> June – Yr 5 to CCC Science Labs

26<sup>th</sup> June—EYFS Sports Day at 10am

27<sup>th</sup> June – Y6 Leavers Service at Guildford Cathedral

**29th June—Orange Class Assembly**

1<sup>st</sup> July Summer Fair 12-3pm

4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> July – secondary school induction days Yr 6

6<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day

10<sup>th</sup> July Arts Week

11<sup>th</sup> July – KS1 to Lookout Discovery Centre

**13th July– Strawberry Class Assembly**

17<sup>th</sup> July – Class Swap morning and Celebration Evening

21<sup>st</sup> July – Yr6 Leavers Assembly and evening party

**21<sup>st</sup> July – End of term at 12 noon**