



Newsletter

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English Hub

In the next upcoming weeks, we will be having an exciting visit from the English Hub. They offer a range of support and continuing professional development to primary schools to improve the teaching of early reading, with a particular focus on systematic synthetic phonics, early language and reading for pleasure. How exciting!

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English Hubs

Friday 25th September 2023

Year 6 swimming

Year 6 had their first swimming session at St Paul's this week. They had to swim from one end of the pool to the other using different swimming techniques such as backstroke and front crawl. They enjoyed being in the pool and wanted more time to swim! Cleo: "We went in the pool and did a backstroke. We also tried to float without kicking our legs. We also had to do a front crawl. My favourite was the backstroke. I'm excited to go back and have more time to learn."



Year 2 Gymnastics

Year 2 were learning to explore travelling movements. They learnt how to link the basic balances with travelling movements and how to perform a safe warm-up and cool-down. Zendaya: "I like gymnastics! We get to use our body to move in different ways and even be superhero's today!"



Year 5 tennis

We are focusing on batting, bowling and fielding skills each week and always end with high catch a really fun game that focuses on our hand eye skills.

"I like cricket because I like learning the rules I hope to go to cricket club soon."

Isabelle Y5

"I enjoy cricket because you get the chance to be outside and use the skills we learn each week like batting and bowling."

Chiara Y5



Year 6 roles

During our Gospel Assembly, we announced the Year 6 Roles for this academic year. We are excited to have these children as the leaders of the school and know that they will aspire to greatness as they fulfil their duties.

Head Boy: Jhed
Head Girl: Sharonfe
Deputy Head Boy: Khalell
Deputy Head Girl: Brianna



St Thomas More:
Cleo and Jaden



St Augustine: Hailey
and Myla



St John Fisher: Liam
and Wanxin



St Edmund: Ariella and
Ethan



Head of the School
Council: Laura and
Matheson



Head of Mini Vinnies Charlie, Blien and
Emmanuella



We are also excited to have the following children have been selected:



2023-2024 School Council Committee



2023-2024 Mini Vinnie Committee

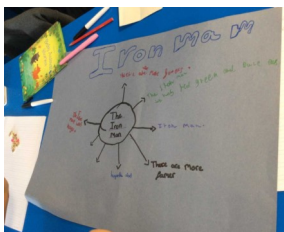
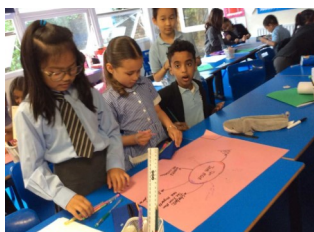
Dates to remember:

Phonics workshop for Y1 and selected Y2 parents - 9:15am - Thursday 5th October
Class cake sales Y4 - 3:15 - Friday 6th October
Maths Workshop for parents - 9:00am - Wednesday 11th October
EYFS Early Reading/Phonics workshop for parents - 9:00am Thursday 12th October
Class cake sales Y3 - 3:15 - Friday 13th October
Class cake sales EYFS - 3:15 - Friday 20th October
Class cake sales Y1 - 3:15 - Friday 3rd November
Class cake sales Y5 - 3:15 - Friday 17th November
Class cake sales Y6 - 3:15 - Friday 24th November
Class cake sales Y2 - 3:15 - Friday 1st December
International evening - 5:00pm-7:00pm - Wednesday 15th November
Prosecco and Painting for parents - 5:30-7:00pm - Wednesday 29th November
Christmas Fair - 3:30pm-6:00pm - Friday 15th December
Valentine's Disco - 3:00-4:30pm - Friday 9th February

Year 3 Shared Reading

Y3 hard at work summarising what we have read so far in our class story Iron Man.

Isla- "For our shared reading lesson today, we got into groups and created mind maps to summarise what we have been reading in The Iron Man. I found it fun that we got to work as a team and then share our ideas in front of the class at the end."



Parent Workshops

Please join our upcoming parent workshops:

Phonics workshop led by Miss Tekle for Year 1 and selected Year 2 parents next Thursday (5th) at 9:15am

Read Write Inc.
Phonics



Maths workshop led by Mr Howell on Wednesday 11th October at 9:00am

Early Reading workshop led by Miss Weston on Thursday 12th October at 9:00am



Congratulations to our winners this week!

Head Teachers Award:
Bemnet in Y5



Stars of the week:
Rec: Leonardo
Y1: Vasileios
Y2: Ruby
Y3: Giovanni
Y4: Adam T
Y5: Lieleawit
Y6: Laura



House Points and Green stickers

1st JF 81
2nd TM 72
Joint 3rd A and E 57



Green stickers

Y6 and Y3



Parent volunteers needed!

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer reader, please let the school know. You will need to provide evidence of a Utility Bill and Photo ID for your DBS check.



A shout out to our wonderful Spanish teacher, Mrs Saraci, for her partnership with the language angels. A teaching programme used at St Mary's to deliver the Spanish curriculum we have on offer. Mrs Saraci has worked with the children for many years and teaches high quality lessons each week to our students.



Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance Y5 - 95.9%

Punctuality Y5 - 99.4%

*With every blessing,
Miss Black and the staff
of St Mary's*