



### What's happening this week?

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September**  
Year 6 swimming begins

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September**  
Year 5 Meet The Teacher  
@ 5pm

**Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September**  
Roald Dahl Day  
Year 3 & 4 Meet The  
Teacher @ 5pm

### What's happening the following week?

**\*\*Clubs begin this week\*\***

**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September**  
Year 1 Meet The Teacher  
@ 4:30pm

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September**  
Year 2 Meet The Teacher  
@ 4:30pm

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September**  
Year 6 Meet The Teacher  
@ 5pm

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September**  
Jeans for Genes Day

## St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, Chiswick Spring Term Newsletter 6<sup>th</sup> September 2018

### **Welcome Back**

We were thrilled to see the children back in school on Wednesday looking so smart and so proud of their uniform. Lots of smiling faces, including staff, which is always a delight to see. We hope you all had a fantastic summer break and are now ready for another busy term and academic year. In addition, A HUGE welcome to all those who are new to our special school.

### **Congratulations**

We would all like to congratulate Mrs Constantinou on the birth of her son, Zach Constantinou. Both mother and child are doing extremely well. As new parents, may you be filled with much joy and happiness with the arrival of your new baby. Wishing your new family all the very best.

### **Meet the Teacher**

Next week sees our 'Meet the Teacher' sessions start. This gives our staff the opportunity to introduce themselves and to outline what is going to be happening in each year group this year. These sessions will start at 5pm for KS2 & 4:30pm for KS1, hopefully enabling as many parents as possible to come. The sessions for Nursery and Reception will take place at a later date once the children have started school.

Nursery – 17<sup>th</sup> October @ 4:30pm  
Reception – 17<sup>th</sup> October @ 4:30pm  
Year 1 – 18<sup>th</sup> September @ 4:30pm  
Year 2 – 19<sup>th</sup> September @ 4:30pm  
Year 3 – 13<sup>th</sup> September @ 5pm  
Year 4 – 13<sup>th</sup> September @ 5pm  
Year 5 – 12<sup>th</sup> September @ 5pm  
Year 6 – 20<sup>th</sup> September @ 5pm

### **Dates for this Half Term**

Please see the dates below for the upcoming half term – we aim to stick to these as much as possible but please keep reading the newsletters for any changes to upcoming dates.

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> September – Year 6 swimming begins  
Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September – Year 5 Meet the Teacher  
Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September – Roald Dahl Day & Year 3 & 4 Meet The Teacher  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> September – Year 1 Meet The Teacher  
Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> September – Year 2 Meet The Teacher  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September – Year 6 Meet The Teacher  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September – Jeans for Genes Day  
Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> September – PTA welcome event  
Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> September – European Languages Day & year 2 class assembly  
Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Year 5 class assembly

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October – Year 4 class assembly

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> October – Year 5 residential trip to Sayers Croft

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> October – Nursery & Reception Meet The Teacher

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Last day of Half Term

### **Piccolo**

This provision has closed. Acola Kids have taken over the business. At present they can only take children over 8 years old. Contact n 02036432574 (Laura) Between 9 am and 2 pm. We have sourced another provider for up to 8s. Playdays on 02087479599

### **Building Works**

Over the summer we had the staff and some of the children's toilets refurbished. They look excellent and a he improvement on what we had previously.

We have also ordered new carpets for Year 2 to Year 5 and they will be fitted shortly

### **Communication**

If you haven't done so already, please continue to check the website for any updates that may be posted over the coming weeks. As some of you are aware we had problems with the calendar on the homepage towards the end of the last academic year and we are working to rectify this issue as soon as possible and will notify you when we have solved it.

Although we will strive to keep to these dates as much as possible, sometimes we may have to reschedule events so please check the school calendar regularly. Also if you haven't done so already please have a look on your child's class Twitter pages for updates on your child's class and what they have been learning about.

As you can see, clubs start week beginning Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September and homework will start in line with this. If you have any questions please ask your child's class teacher.

### **Queries and questions**

If you have any queries or questions about your child's progress and or well being you should book an appointment with their class teacher in the first instance to discuss this.

### **Nike Mile**

The Nike Richmond Kids Mile takes place on

Saturday 15th September.

St Mary's has filled its allocation of free places but it is still possible to pay to take part.

Registration remains discounted at £9.95 per child (£15.99 on the day of the race). The entry price includes a t- shirt and a chip to record your time and a medal when you cross the finish line. The races will be in age group so you will still run with your friends.

The racing starts at 2pm but you must collect your registration an hour before your race.

It's a great start to our school sports year and we invite everyone to bring their shirts and medals in to school on Monday 17th Sept for a big Team Photo.

Go to Richmond running festival for any late registrations.

### **Parish Junior Choir**

Our Lady of Grace & St Edwards Parish has just launched its new Junior Parish Choir - the aim is provide uplifting music during the 9.45 Mass on Sunday mornings. The choir is directed by Marek Maryniak - director of the junior choir at London Guildhall School Music and Head of Music at Bourne Primary School in Ruislip.

Mr Maryniak came into school to work with the children and was very impressed with their singing and musicianship skills. He has invited any children from years 3 to 6 who are interested in joining the choir to attend an informal audition.

This is a wonderful opportunity for the children to progress musically and to get involved with the parish community.

The choir rehearse twice a week - 4.45pm on Wednesdays and 9.00am on Sundays during term time. If your child would like to join and can commit to these rehearsal times please contact Miss Gentile at [agentile.313@lgflmail.org](mailto:agentile.313@lgflmail.org)

### **School Clubs and Music Lessons**

All clubs, including individual music lessons and the school choir will recommence the week beginning the 17th September 2018.

Morning Choir will be held before school on Wednesdays and Thursdays at 8.25am.

We hope you all have lovely weekend.  
Staff at St Mary's!