



St. Mary's & St. Peter's CE Primary School Newsletter



Upcoming Dates

September

20 th	Meet the Teacher
21 st	Friends' AGM
26 th	Harvest Pause Day
26 th	Y6 Harvest Service @ 9:45am
29 th	Y6 Advocate Interviews

October

4 th	Reception Phonics Workshop
9 th	Y5 Roman Workshop
17 th	Parent/Teacher Meetings
18 th	Parent/Teacher Meetings
20 th	Last Day of Half Term
30 th	INSET Day
31 st	First Day of Half Term

November

1 st	Y3 Stone Age Workshop
2 nd	Y4 GBC Meeting
6 th	Book Look
7 th	Book Look
8 th	Reception Maths Workshop
13 th	Odd Socks Day

December

2 nd	Christmas Fair
6 th	Y6 Musical
7 th	Y6 Musical
12 th	KS1 Nativity

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a lovely start to the term. The children are clearly relishing being back at school with their friends and enjoying their learning. Each year group has been painting pictures of the school in the style of different artists.

We welcome the Reception children who have been settling in this week. It is great to hear the laughter and chatter of the children playing and working together.

With a busy term ahead and lots of things to look forward to, we have posted key dates for this term on the website and will notify you of any additions or amendments.

We hope your child has had a good start to the term so far. As always, please contact us if you have any concerns about them, and we will do our very best to help.

With warm wishes,
Ms Helen Swain
Headteacher

Staffing News

A big thank you to Molly who has been covering the reception role. We wish her well as she returns to university.

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Clare Leon, who has joined our Office Admin team.

Save the Date

Year Group Collective Worship
9:05am in the main hall.

- Year 3 Feb 2nd
- Year 5 March 1st
- Year 4 April 26th
- Year 1 May 10th
- Year 2 June 14th
- Reception July 19th



Welcome to Father David

We would like to extend a warm welcome to Father David Cloake, the new vicar at St Mary with St Alban Church. He will be joining our clergy team and supporting our chaplaincy programme and leading collective worship.

Welcome to our New Teachers



Mrs Hopkins

Hello, my name is Mrs Hopkins, and I am delighted to be teaching children in Cedar Class, Year 1 this academic year. I have been teaching for 15 years across both key stages and have previously worked in schools across Hillingdon and Ealing. I am excited about a year filled with learning, curiosity and fun at SMSP! Outside of school, I have 2 girls aged 9 and 7 who keep me busy. We enjoy swimming, cycling, BBQs with friends and our trips back to Wales to see family, the beaches and countryside.

Miss Abbott

Hello! My name is Miss Abbott and I am delighted to have joined the Year 3 team. Everyone has welcomed me in to the St Mary's and St Peter's family, especially the children of 3A. We have already had lots of fun getting to know each other and I am looking forward to the year ahead. I enjoyed an active summer managing a holiday camp and took various trips, including London Zoo and Cambridge, as well as visiting my Grandpa on the south coast. Outside of school, I run a Beaver Scout group. I can often be found listening to Disney music or watching a Disney film. Another passion of mine is cooking and baking; a favourite bake is a lemon drizzle cake.



Mrs Young

Hello! I'm Mrs Young and I will be teaching 3W every Friday. I have been teaching in this borough both as a class teacher and music teacher for over twenty years. If I look familiar it's because I have three children who have all been through SMSP with my youngest leaving this year. So I have been at the school gate for the last 13 years and I am very familiar with this lovely school.

I love listening to music and singing. I love the outdoors and am often to be seen running (slowly!) in Bushy Park or walking along the river. I am very excited to be joining the Year 3 team this year and am looking forward to getting to know 3W.

Life in all its Fullness

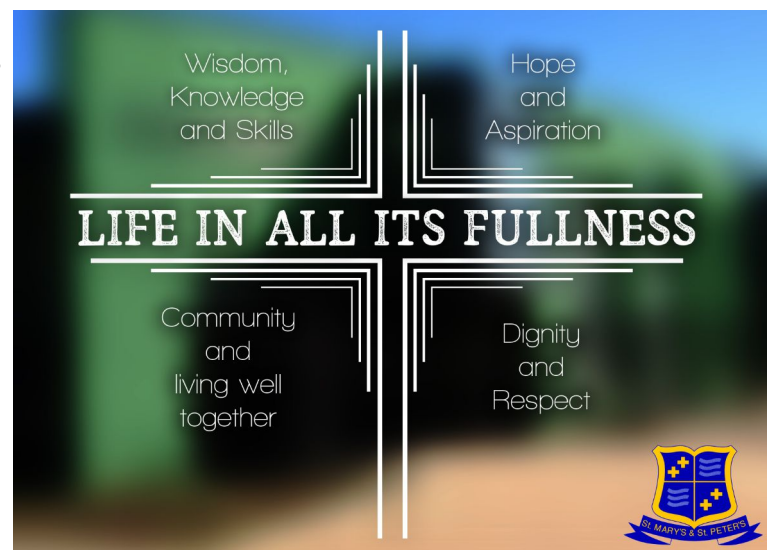
Sue Tucker, Mary Hawes, Simon Pedley and I, have been working together to review our vision and values, our Collective Worship Policy and our Spirituality Policy. For more information, [please click on this link](#).

Our vision and values will be the focus for our collective worship this half term.

In my first collective worship this year, we shared the following:

- Something you did that you feel proud of;
- Something you did that was really exciting;
- Something you really enjoyed;
- Something you learned;
- Something that was a bit challenging or scary;
- Something you needed to do safely.

With a new school year ahead of us, may it be for all of us a new start: a chance to surprise ourselves at what we can achieve, an opportunity to make new friends and to share joy and happiness in all we do.



Mayor's Christmas Card Competition

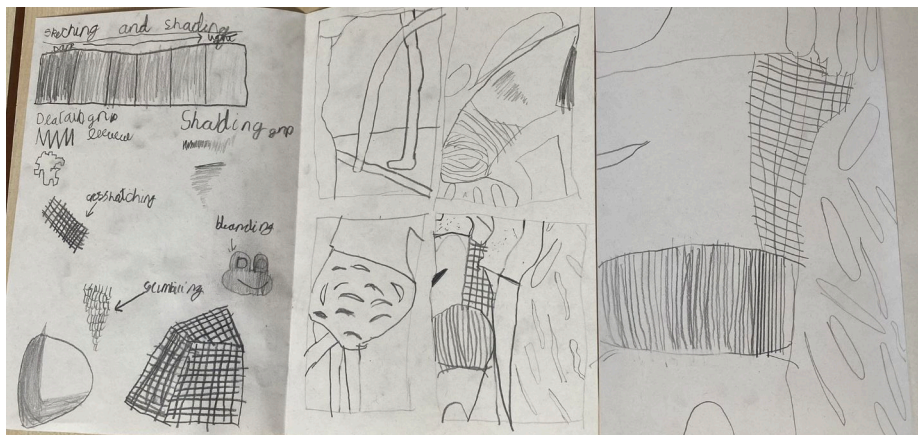
If you wish to enter, please bring your card to school by Friday 3rd November.

Christmas cards need to be:

- A5 in size - just fold an A4 sheet in half
- Your own original image
- Colourful (use colours)
- Labelled - include your name, age and St Mary's and St Peter's School on the back



Art Projects



ACHIEVERS





Richmond CoderDojo

Richmond CoderDojo is a free coding club open to young people aged 5 to 15 with sessions on Scratch, HTML, Python, and using micro:bits. Coder Dojo has returned to in-person sessions at Richmond Old Town Hall, on the fourth Saturday of each month from 11am to 1pm.

The next session is Saturday 23 September. [Book your place](#) now!

Measles cases are rising in London. Make sure your child is up to date with their Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) vaccinations

Measles is a highly contagious illness that can lead to serious and, on rare occasions, fatal complications. Anyone with symptoms that could be measles is advised to stay at home and phone their GP or NHS 111 for advice, rather than visiting their GP surgery or A&E.

Find out more about MMR vaccination on the NHS website <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/mmr-vaccine/>

Click here for more information: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/12zVMhj2jHq-d6hClakD7VvFRG2tfTai9/view?usp=sharing>

Free Saturday coding and digital making sessions at CoderDojo Kingston University

Youngsters aged 7 - 17 at all levels of experience, from beginner to expert, can create video games, web pages, build robots or explore digital electronics at sessions hosted in Kingston University's cool STEM Outreach suite. We offer activities using Scratch, Python, Unity and Raspberry Pi computers and microcontrollers.

Sessions are led by technology professionals, KU computer science staff and students. Kids under 13 must be accompanied by a parent or carer. Bring a laptop if you have one, or you can book one of ours.

Sessions are held one Saturday afternoon each month during school term, from 2:00 – 4:30pm, with booking through Eventbrite. Email us to register and to receive the calendar of sessions: KingstonUniversity.uk@coderdojo.com

For more information visit www.coderdojoku.org

space2grieve

space2grieve is a local charity, here to support Richmond Borough residents who have been bereaved, no matter when or how.

Our fully trained, experienced, DBS checked volunteers can offer free support to children and young people. This takes place after an initial in person Parenting through Grief session for the parent or carer.

You don't need a referral. Just get in touch via our website, by email or by phone.

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Click here to read more: https://docs.google.com/document/d/1vsJ7Ccmua7vB2tUu9mbD8uUHrj_fAc-xhDzU7dZOkig/edit?usp=sharing



COOKING UP

Cooking Up is running free classes for adults who want to learn to cook affordable, tasty meals for themselves and their families

WHAT HAPPENS?

Each week, you can join us at Ham Youth Centre where our local volunteers will help you to cook a meal for up to 4 people. We'll provide all ingredients and equipment, and a take-away carton for you to transport it home.

You'll get a recipe card so you can make it again yourself anytime.

If you need them, we'll provide a starter pack of basic ingredients and utensils for you to use at home.

WHERE?



Ham Youth Centre
Ham Close
Ham
TW10 7PL

WHEN?



Classes Running on Wednesdays
10am-11.30am. Starting
September 2023 - Email us for
info

Who can apply?

- People aged 18+
- Family pair (adult and 1 child over 8 years)
- Priority given to people who are unemployed, on low income or receiving benefits
- Priority given to people living in Richmond Borough

Interested?

Email us at info@cookingup.org

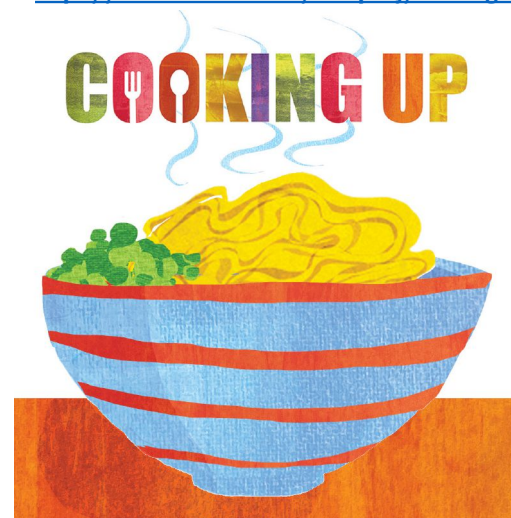
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THIS GIRL CAN

CALLING ALL BUDDING FOOTBALLERS IN YEARS 1 & 2

At Teddington Athletic we believe there has never been a more important time for our football club to play its part in supporting girls to be physically, socially and emotionally well.

Our girls only weekend training sessions provide an opportunity for girls in years 1 & 2 to make new friends and learn some new skills in a fun environment before having to commit to joining a team.

If your daughter is interested, please sign up for a free taster session on Saturday 23rd or Saturday 30th September between 12-1pm. (Bushy Park)

**Interested in signing up for a free taster session?
Please contact Samantha Roff Girls Football
Development Manager at tafcgirls@gmail.com**

www.teddingtonathleticfc.com

MONDAYS ~ 16:00-19:00 ~ RICHMOND LIBRARY ANNEXE



**WITH AN AFTER SCHOOL CLUB LIKE NO OTHER FOR 8-16
YEAR OLDS WITH AUTISM AND LEARNING DISABILITIES**

**BOWLING TRAMPOLINING GAMES FRIENDS DISCOS CINEMA
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space2grieve are a team of highly trained volunteer Bereavement Specialists offering free, personal, confidential bereavement support for adults, children, young people and families.

If you live in the Richmond Borough, get in touch to see how we can support you.

www.space2grieve.org.uk



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