



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

LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS

Upcoming Dates

January

15 th - 19 th	Art of Brilliance Week
17 th	Friends Meeting
18 th	Football vs. Collis
19 th	Y2 Cake Sale
23 rd	Y6 Church Visit
29 th	Y5 Victorian Workshop
30 th	Rugby Match vs TPA
30 th	Y3 Ancient Egypt Workshop

February

2 nd	Number Day
2 nd	Y3 Collective Worship
2 nd	Friends' School of DJ
6 th / 7 th	Parent Teacher Meetings
8 th	Richmond Singing Gala
8 th	Y6 Clergy Talk
9 th	Y6 Cake Sale
9 th	Last day of Half Term
19 th	INSET Day
20 th	Fairtrade Week
22 nd	Y5 Science Museum Trip
23 rd	Dress to Express
29 th	Y5 Choir Rehearsal

March

1 st	Y1 RHS Wisley Trip
1 st	Y5 Collective Worship

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year to you all! I hope you all managed to have a good break over the holidays.

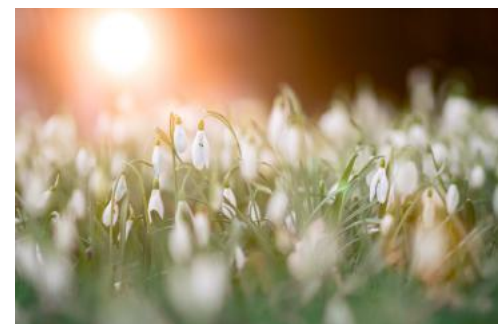
Although we are in the grips of a rather cold spell, this term is officially called 'spring term'. Spring term newsletters detailing information for each year group have been posted on the website in the pupils' section.

Even though the spring term is the shortest term of the year, it is the one where so much important learning takes place. We have many wonderful experiences to look forward to in the coming weeks, including The Art of Brilliance workshops for each class next week. Thank you to the Friends for the funding this. Please see below for more information.

With warm wishes,
Ms Helen Swain
Headteacher

Hope

The snowdrop is a sign of hope and new beginnings and a promise of good things to come. The focus for our collective worship this week has been hope. We can aim high and have aspirations to be the very best we can be.



Dear Lord,

We thank you for a new year;

A year that is full of opportunities.

Please help us to take each opportunity to make this a good year for other people as well as ourselves.

Help us to try hard and be courageous when attempting new things.

May we enter this New Year full of hope that each of us can help to make the world a better place by what we say and do.

Amen.

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sumptuous

adj. Lavish and luxurious
like a banquet made up of the finest food and drink

CAN YOU FIND A SYNONYM?
(WORD WITH THE SAME MEANING)

CAN YOU FIND AN ANTONYM?
(WORD WITH THE OPPOSITE MEANING)

CAN YOU USE THE WORD
IN A SENTENCE?

Reception Fossil Hunters

The Reception children received a ROARsome visit from Trevor the T-Rex and Peter the Parasaurolophus this week to mark the start of their Dinosaur topic! The children thoroughly enjoyed taking part in a 'Life Long Ago' workshop, uncovering fossils and discovering many facts about a wide variety of dinosaurs.



"I loved meeting Peter the baby dinosaur"

"I liked seeing a dinosaur's horn"

"Trevor can bite his box!"

"I liked seeing the big foot fossil"

"We had to brush the fossils because they were very delicate"

"Dinosaurs don't exist now, they existed millions of years ago"

"Carnivores are fast"

"Omnivores eat meat and plants"

"Dinosaurs were alive when humans weren't here"

"Humans carefully digged and found fossils"



Book of the Week The Last Whale Chris Vick

Abi has been asked 'not to return' to St Hilda's Academy after using her exceptional IT skills for purposes that were seen as inappropriate, if not illegal. But she can forget about that small problem over the summer holidays, which she'll be spending on a remote Norwegian island with her Bestemor (grandma) and family. Although the island is idyllic, the lack of WiFi interferes with her mission for Earth Crisis and their latest eco-activist campaign. But, using the revolutionary AI unit she has 'borrowed' from tech giants Newtek, she can monitor, and collect vital data about, the whales that may hold the key to saving the planet.



The Art of Being Brilliant

Reception

Monday

We will explore our different emotions and how to manage them.

Conversation starters:

What did Mr Potato Head teach you about your feelings?

How can you help yourself if you feel upset or angry?

Tell me about how we can help other people feel happy.

KS1

Y1 & 2 Monday & Tuesday

We will explore our different emotions, how to manage them, the importance of kindness and personal responsibility.

Conversation starters:

What did Mr Potato Head teach you about your feelings?

How can being kind help someone feel happy?

Tell me about the sausage machine.

KS2

Y3 Tuesday, Y4 Wednesday, Y5 Thursday, Y6 Friday

We will learn about the science of flourishing and how we can use it to make us more resilient, step out of our comfort zones, improve our learning and have a positive impact on those around us.

Conversation starters:

What is a 2%er?

What does 'bounce back ability' mean?

What is the ripple effect and how does it work?



SPORTS:NEWS

Borough Cross Country Championships

A big congratulations to SMSP Cross Country team for winning the 2023 Richmond Borough Cross Country Championships! With the girls team finishing 3rd and the boys team finishing 1st! A big shout out to Arthur who gained an excellent individual 2nd place in the boys race! You should all be so proud of yourselves, well done.



"I really enjoyed the time we were in the cross country race. I am ecstatic that we got the first amongst 24 schools!"

Pamela (6HN)



ST MARY'S & ST PETER'S

Achievers



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