



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

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have a very busy half term in the run up to Easter. This week has been no exception, with Egyptian day for Year 3, a trip to the Science Museum for Year 5 and an exciting computing design technology lesson with St Mary's students for Year 6.

As it is the start of Lent, collective worship has focused on the preparation for Easter and Rev. Mary, alongside members of the RE Steering Group, led our Ash Wednesday Service for children in years 5 & 6.

With plans underway for our Curriculum Week, please see below for more information.

With warm wishes,
Ms Helen Swain
Headteacher

LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS

Upcoming Dates

February

26th Girls' Football vs Stanley

March

1st Y3 Friends' Movie

1st Y1 RHS Wisley Trip

1st Y5 Collective Worship

4th Y6 SATS and IoW Meeting

4th - 8th Curriculum Week

12th Y5 Prom Praise

14th Y5 St Michael's Church

15th KS2 Bingo

15th World Book Day

21st Y2 - Flo on the Road

22nd Pre-School Cake Sale

26th Easter Pause Day

26th Y3 Church Service

26th-28th Y4 Gordon Brown Centre

28th Last Day of Term

April

15th First Day of Term

19th Y2 Cake Sale

20th Friends' Mini Marathon

23/25/26th Y5 School Of The River

24th Y1 Polka Theatre

26th Y4 Collective Worship

26th Friends' Quiz Night

Book of the Week

Speak Up! Rebecca Burgess



Mia has a huge secret – she's Elle-Q on-line, viral music star and inspiration to many teenagers. She sings about how she feels, which is what they feel too. However, in real life, Mia doesn't have many friends and is bullied because she's autistic. She likes to wear headphones to block out noise, and often sucks on her necklace, which others at her school find weird. When they make fun of her, she finds it tricky to talk back. Luckily, her best friend Charlie gets her, and they collaborate on Elle-Q's music. Charlie writes the music and Mia the lyrics. When there's a local talent show, Charlie is desperate to enter. They stand a good chance of winning. But is Mia ready to show the world who she really is?



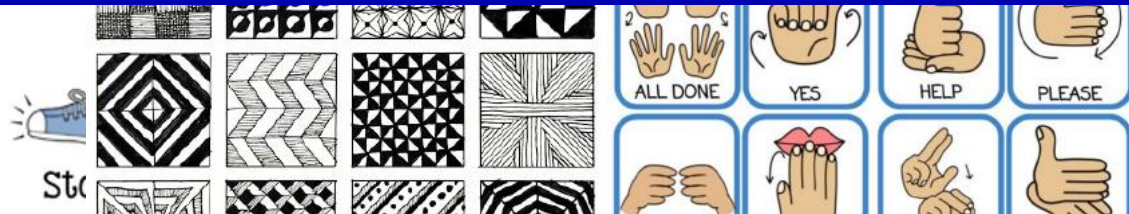
flawless

adj. Perfect or impeccable
like a ballet dancer who never makes a single mistake

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?



CURRICULUM WEEK 2024

“LIFE IN ALL ITS FULLNESS”

4TH - 8TH MARCH

We are very excited about our forthcoming Curriculum Week:
Life in all its Fullness.

All classes will be exploring our vision and four values in greater depth and the bible stories that exemplify them. The children will have the opportunity to develop their understanding of what life in all its fullness means and how we can all flourish.

We are currently in the process of planning the week, which will be cross-curricular and include dance, drama, music and singing, and a range of different crafts such as animation, caricature, pattern and painting.

For some activities, the children will be grouped with children from different year groups and participate in activities chosen by staff, sharing their passions and interests. For example, body percussion, astronomy, chocolate, musical theatre, zentangle patterns and gardening.

As part of the week, the children will be designing mosaics to represent our vision and values and, at a later date, we will have an artist in residence to work with groups of children to create these mosaics for both the foyer and outside in the KS1 playground. Thank you to the Friends for funding the week; it is greatly appreciated.

This year, the children will each be producing a book of reflections and we will be collating a gallery of photos to share with you.



For the gardening element of Curriculum Week, we require empty and clean margarine tubs. If you have any, please put them in the marked box in the foyer.
Thank you.



ST MARY'S & ST PETER'S

Achievers



Be part of Teddington's Biggest Tea Party!



Get together to give together

and help raise £1m to build vital facilities in your community church

It's easy to get involved:

1. Decide what kind of tea party you'd like to host.
2. Invite children and/or grown-ups over.
3. Get together, have fun and give together: grown-ups then scan this QR code to donate.
4. Give leaflets or the QR code to your friends to host their own tea parties.

Quick party ideas

- ★ Host a Pancake party on Shrove Tuesday
- ★ Scone baking party (see recipe overleaf)
- ★ Soup & bread party
- ★ Top your own pizza party
- ★ A Prosecco party (for the grown-ups!)



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St Mary with St Alban Church Fundraising Appeal The Big Teddington Tea Party

20 minute Super Scone recipe

Ingredients

225g self-raising flour
40g butter
120-160ml milk
Pinch of salt
Optional: raisins, lemon zest



Instructions

1. Preheat oven to 220 deg C.
2. Place flour, butter, salt in a bowl.
3. Rub in butter with fingers until breadcrumb consistency.
4. Add milk gradually, stirring, until all dried flour is collected but not sticky. (Fold in any optional ingredients here.)
5. Place on clean floured surface.
6. Press out to 1-2.5cm thickness.
7. Cut out each scone with cookie cutter in a quick motion.
8. Gather left over scone dough, press out and repeat until no dough left.
9. Bake on baking paper on tray for 10-15 mins until golden.
10. Serve with butter, nutella or jam and clotted cream!

Get together to give together

Help us raise £1m to build these vital facilities in your community church:

1. Accessible toilets
2. Kitchenette
3. Meeting space
4. Step-free entrance



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Thank you for helping to make this community church truly accessible and welcoming for all.
Find out more at www.teddingtonparish.org

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What are the advantages of being multilingual?



There are many advantages of being bilingual or multilingual – and therefore many reasons why schools should support and develop the full linguistic repertoire of their learners:

1

Knowing more than one language is a great skill and asset, to be valued and viewed positively; there are many research findings about the benefits of being bilingual linked to creativity, the delay of brain ageing amongst others;

2

Maintaining and developing skills in the learner's first language will aid the acquisition of English;

3

The first language and other languages that they know provides a means for learners New to English to develop new concepts;

4

Bilingualism has a positive effect on educational attainment when both languages are developed to an academic level.



**TEDDINGTON
RUGBY**

GIRLS RUGBY DAY



**TEDDINGTON
RUGBY**

FREE



**25th FEB, 9.45 - 11.45
AT TEDDINGTON RFC**

**A great morning of fun and games just for girls
followed by a free meal & hot chocolate in the clubhouse**

**For new and experienced players
U8s (year 3) through U16 girls (year 11)**

COME AND JOIN THE FUN!

Any questions/enquiries please contact junior-girls@teddingtonrfc.co.uk

Teddington RFC, Club Car Park is in Dora Jordan Road, (access via NPL Gates Queen's Road), Teddington, Middlesex, TW11 0EA



because children should be heard

The Purple Elephant Project needs you!

The Purple Elephant Project is a children's mental health charity working across the London Boroughs of Richmond and Hounslow based in Twickenham.

Every week we support over 150 children and their families with therapeutic interventions such as Play Therapy and Art Therapy.

We provide support for children and their families affected by attachment, developmental trauma or life experiences. Through specialist therapeutic services, we work to transform lives, enabling children to reach their full potential and have a brighter future.

We are currently looking for volunteers to help with;

Support families visiting the Hub
Social media/PR/Communications Support
Becoming an Ambassador for the Charity
Gardening
IT Support
Policy administration
Fundraising/events management

What does volunteering for the Purple Elephant Project look like?

Whether you are volunteering as a gardener, helping with our social media profile or supporting our families, you will welcome you into our herd with open arms!

Being part of our herd starts with an induction to help you understand our ethos and values along with our safeguarding procedure, and introducing you to our Purple ways!

As we invest time in training our volunteers, we ask that you are able to commit to at least 6 months of volunteering.

Be a volunteer and make a difference!

Please contact us on [0208 744 1733](tel:02087441733) or complete our online volunteer application form which can be found [here](#) or on our website Thepurpleelephantproject.org by clicking on "supporting us" and scrolling down to Volunteering

Woodcraft Folk

Youth club for children aged 6-9 years



Spaces available!

Come along for a free taster
Teddington, Thursdays 5.30-7pm &
Hampton Hill, Thursdays

6pm - 7.30pm

£35 per term

Contact: pippabutterfield@hotmail.co.uk

www.woodcraft.org

Helping children with sleep – MHST webinar



The *'Helping Children with sleep'* webinar introduces a number of key concepts and strategies to support you in creating a healthy bedtime routine for your child.

This webinar focuses on the importance of sleep due to its impact on child development and wellbeing, and explores key components in enhancing sleep quality.

See the link for further information and to sign up. (Please sign up by Sunday evening).

What will the 'Helping Children with sleep' webinar cover?

- The importance of sleep for children's development
- Scientifically proven tips to develop a positive sleep routine.

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