St. Mary's CE Primary School

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TERM DATES

School Year 2017- 2018

Autumn Term INSET DAY

Monday 4th September 2017
(no children in school)
First day of Term
Tuesday 5th September 2017
Half Term
Monday 23rd October - Friday
27th October 2017
INSET DAY
Monday 30th October
(no children in school)
End of Term

Wednesday 20th December

Tuesday 2nd January 2018

Spring Term INSET DAY

(no children in school)
First day of Term
Wednesday 3rd January 2018
Half Term
Monday 12th February - 16th
February 2018
INSET DAY
Monday 19th February 2018
(no children in school)

End of Term Thursday 29th March

Summer Term INSET DAY

Monday 16th April 2018
(no children in school)
First day of Term
Tuesday 17th April 2018
Bank Holiday
Monday 7th May 2018
(no children in school)
Half Term
Monday 28th May - Friday 1st
June 2018
End of Term
Friday 20th July 2018

IN TOUCH

Friday 8th December 2017



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The long awaited day has finally arrived and we are all terribly excited about the Christmas Fair! Thank you to Angie, Michelle, Michèle and to all of the FoSMs team for the planning, preparation and delivery of this fabulous event. A big thank you to all of the local businesses that have supported our Fair this year, especially Allan Fuller who have sponsored Santa's Grotto. And of course, a big thank you to Father Christmas for coming all the way from the North Pole...

Year Six have been getting themselves and commuters into the Christmas mood, singing carols at Putney Train Station on Monday. We have had so many positive comments from members of the community following their singing. The children raised £129.74 for Health Poverty Action in only 30 minutes! A huge thank you to Mrs LePrevost for organising and preparing the children for this event.

It was great to have Diversity Role Models back in school on Tuesday and Thursday this week. Inviting the charity into school to carry out workshops with our children is one of the ways we help them to develop an understanding and respect for everyone in our world. It is an opportunity to learn about other people's lives and compare and contrast them with our own. Many thanks to Gemma, Kate, Jo and Jack for the work they have carried out in school this week.

Our governors are gearing up for the last full board meeting of the year next Tuesday evening. As you are all aware, we have recently held an election for new parent governors. I hope that you have all seen today's ParentMail announcing the outcome of the election, but if not, we are delighted to announce that Natasha Hume and Linda O'Riordan will be joining the governing body. Thank you to all of the candidates who stood in the election.

I would like to take this opportunity to say a very big thank you to outgoing governors Alex Lowe, Katie Turnbull and Ted Wainman for their service as governors; for all of the support and challenge they provided and for the rich experiences they brought and continue to bring to the school through their expertise. It is greatly appreciated and we bid them a sad farewell as governors, but luckily not as parents and friends of the school!

The Key Stage Two Choir went to All Saints on Thursday morning to rehearse with Mrs Robinson and their singers. Together we will entertain parishioners at next Wednesday's Parish Christmas Lunch. It is really wonderful to see our Parish Schools working closely together and we are all looking forward to joining together next week.

Our local authority school inspector, Mrs Angela Rundle, was in school this morning and we are still awaiting the outcome of our Church School Inspection last week. Also this morning, Family Groups met together for the first time this morning to plan some events and share ideas about how they can all work together more closely this year. Thank you to Mr Lett for initiating this.

Well, I'm off to drink some mulled wine at the Fair! See you all next week, Cheryl Payne - Head Teacher

VOLUNTEER INDUCTION

The next Volunteer Induction session will be held on **Monday 5th February** at 2pm.

If you would like to attend please do sign up in the office.







St Nicholas-tide Toy Service & Enthronement of the Child Bishop

Sunday 10th December 2017, All Saints' Church 10:30 am