

## St. Mary's CE Primary School

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### TERM DATES

**School Year**  
**2017- 2018**

#### Spring Term

##### **INSET DAY**

Tuesday 2nd January 2018  
(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

Monday 5th February 2018



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The first half of the Spring Term has flown by and here we are at half term already! Apologies there was no In Touch last week. I was with the KS2 Choir at London's O2 for the Young Voices concert! We were initially seated very high up and all were a bit daunted by what seemed like a sheer drop to the stage but we all found our confidence and were soon singing and dancing the day away. I would like to thank and congratulate all of the children who were an absolute pleasure to be with on the day! I would like to say a very special thank you to Mrs Bishop, Mrs McCarthy and Mrs Hawkins for supporting us brilliantly on the day and for throwing themselves into the spirit of the whole affair, a huge thank you to the A Team for their administrative support and also huge thanks to the team who covered our absence back at the St. Mary's ranch!

Also last week, I attended the Wandsworth Inclusion Safeguarding and Equality (WISE) Forum, the National Society's Education Conference and the Resources Committee of the governors met on Thursday evening. Whilst we were at the O2, our Reception class were at the Natural History Museum to complement their work in class on dinosaurs. It was like Jurassic Park when I went to visit the children the other day and I was introduced to the children's new class pet: Fluffy the dinosaur!

This week—we have had another of our popular Volunteers in School workshops led by Mrs Bishop and Mrs Livingstone. I would like to say a very big thank you to all of our volunteers who give up their time to attend training and to regularly support the learning of the children at St. Mary's, it is greatly appreciated.

Tuesday was Safer Internet Day (SID), children across the school have been undertaking activities throughout the week to ensure that we are all safe when online. Thanks to Mr Lett, our e-Safety lead for organising and overseeing this crucial work in school.

Steve Emerson, from St. Mary's Church, led worship on Wednesday and the governors Pupil Committee met in the evening. Steve kick-started our thinking around Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday, which of course will fall when we are on half term next week. Thank you to Mrs Livingstone for leading worship this morning in my absence, hopefully you will find your children very keen to help around the home over half term following this morning's input!

We've had a number of Exit Points this week, Year One, Nursery and Year Two have all invited their parents into school to see what they have been learning about in class this half term. I hope all the parents enjoyed their visits!

Well, that's it for another half term—we'll see you on Tuesday 20th February at the usual time. Until then, have a great half term break,  
Cheryl Payne—Head Teacher



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