

ST MARY MAGDALENE SCHOOL PENINSULA CAMPUS

Summer 2022 Newsletter - Number 2



Welcome Back

A very warm welcome back to school. I hope you enjoyed the platinum jubilee celebrations.

WE CONTINUE LOOKING AT THE BIBLE AND THIS HALF TERM WE WILL BE THINKING ABOUT GOD'S LOVE FROM THE BEGINNING

"So God created people in His image, in the image of God he created them. God blessed them."

Genesis 1:27-28a

THANK YOU

All the staff would like to thank parents and carers for the on-going support to ensure the safety of our **whole** school community.

GOODBYE AND WELCOME BACK

We said goodbye to Mr. Burgin Gregory Class teacher who left to work closer to home and welcome back Ms King from maternity leave.

LEADERSHIP TEAM

If you need to talk to a member of the leadership team, we are always happy to help. We are available in the mornings and afternoons when we are on the gate. If this is not a good time for you then please telephone the school office to make a convenient appointment time or we can speak on the telephone. Mrs. Ajayi, the Deputy Headteacher is available each day. Our Assistant Headteachers Mrs. Badesha as well as Mrs. Eggleston and Ms. Hoon our Assistant Headteacher for Inclusion are also available on different days throughout the week, when not teaching. Mrs. McCullough our Federation Deputy Headteacher is also available most days. Mrs. Harrison and Mrs. Wainwright (the Federation Executive Coheadteachers) will continue to share their time between Christ Church school, St Mary Magdalene Woolwich and the Peninsula campus. Please ask in the office if you would like to speak to a specific person and Mrs. Shanahan can always let them know.

THE START AND END OF THE SCHOOL DAY

Gates open for drop off between 8.40 am and 8.55 am for all pupils. Please try not to arrive too early as we cannot open the gate until 8.40am. Pupils should be collected promptly at the end of the day at **3.10 pm**. Please ensure your child's pick-up arrangements are communicated with the school. Reception pupils are dismissed from the classroom gates and Year 1 - 5 pupils line up and are dismissed from the MUGA pitch, while Year 6 line up round the hill. Please access the MUGA pitch by the double gates and exit using the single gate.

BREAKFAST CLUB

Please see Mrs. Shanahan if you require a place.

SNACKS

Children in year groups Reception, 1 and 2 will be provided with a piece of fruit each day. Pupils in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 are permitted to bring in fruit for a snack at break time – no **other** food is allowed.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

We would like to encourage 100% attendance and welcome your support with this. Children, who are not in school by **8.55 am**, miss out on the essential information that class teachers give their children, as well as the settling down time each morning.

SCHOOL DINNERS

School dinners are FREE to all children in year groups Reception, 1 and 2. Please take up this opportunity. Dinners are prepared and cooked fresh each day in our own kitchen.

If your child is in Year 3 - 6, then the cost of a school dinner is £2.75 a day. All dinners must be paid for in advance. School dinners cost £13.75 a week which is £88.00 for the rest of the term.

PACKED LUNCH

I If your child brings a packed lunch to school, please ensure it is healthy and does not include nuts, sweets, chocolate or fizzy drinks. All packed lunch bags should be well labelled. Packed lunches should be placed on the lunchbox trolley in the morning and they will be stored in a **fridge** prior to lunchtime. If you have packed a hot meal for your child do ensure it is labelled as such so it is not put in the fridge. **If your child wishes to change from packed lunch to school dinners, please ensure you let the school office know.**

EVACUATION AND LOCK DOWN DRILLS

During this half term, we will be carrying out evacuation and lock down practices in the school. This will now be part of our routine drills, along with our current fire alarm evacuation. We are not able to prepare ourselves for every eventuality, but by rehearsing with staff and children what we would do in certain situations, this will promote a calm approach should anything happen. These drills may involve the whole school, or a few classes or only one class depending on the situation. Rehearsing is best practise and we are advised to do so by the local authority. If there are any questions, or you feel any clarification is needed in respect of the above information, please do not hesitate to get in contact. Thank you for your continued support.



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AFTER SCHOOL CLUB

After school club is completely staffed and managed by Simply Play. Payments need to be made directly to the after-school staff – **NOT** the school office. Parents/carers will need to contact Simply Play directly for questions relating to spaces.

Contact: **Matthew Johnson** Telephone: **020 3478 8567**

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Day	Time	Club	Who is it for?
Monday	3.10 - 4.10 pm	Music	Years 1 - 6
Tuesday	3.10 - 4.10 pm	Afro Fusion Street	Years 3 – 6
		Dance	
Thursday	3.10 - 4.10 pm	Dance	Years 3 – 6
Thursday	3.10 - 4.10 pm	KICK	Year 1

PARTY BAGS

If you are looking to provide the class with a treat, on the occasion of your child's birthday, you are welcome to present a book or game inscribed with their name as we will **not** be distributing party bags or birthday cake.

FRIDAY CELEBRATION WORSHIP

We are looking forward to welcoming parents to our Friday Celebration Worship in Summer 2. As we are limited by the number we can accommodate in the hall, please see below a schedule.

Friday 17th June – Years 4, 5 and 6 parents Friday 24th June – Years 2 and 3 parents Friday 15th July – Reception and Year 1 parents

UNIFORM

PLEASE ENSURE ALL CLOTHES ARE CLEARLY LABELLED WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME. Lost property will be given to charity at the end of each term! Please can every child come to school in the correct uniform. It has come to our attention that quite a few children are coming to school dressed in items that are not part of the school uniform. Shoes or trainers should be ALL BLACK and not have coloured soles or laces. Small studs (no hooped earrings) and a wrist watch if your child can tell the time are the only items of jewelry allowed.

HOMEWORK

Homework is very important to consolidate any learning that has been happening in the class. The homework menu is uploaded on Satchel One. Expectations of how many pieces need to be completed is mentioned on menu. Pupils get house points for completed pieces which can be uploaded on to Satchel. Please read with your child regularly and talk to them about the book they are reading. Then sign their reading record each time. Asking them questions about what they are reading will help develop their comprehension.



Friday 24th June – Summer Fair, volunteers needed if you are able to help please speak to Ms Williams.

Parent's Coffee and Prayer Meeting

Looking forward to Rev Dom hosting coffee and prayer meetings in the new academic year.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS – Wednesday 22nd June 2022 YEAR 1 SEASIDE TRIP – Thursday 23rd June 2022 SPORTS DAY – Friday 1st of July, more details to follow INSET DAY – Monday 4thJuly 2022

YEAR 6 PRODUCTION - TBC

YEAR 6 LEAVERS SERVICE AND AFTERNOON TEA CELEBRATION - TBC

YEAR 2 and 6 TRIP - Friday 15th July

LAST DAY OF TERM – Wednesday 20th July, school finishes at 2pm. There will be **no** After School Club.

INSET DAYS - Monday 4thJuly 2022 Thursday 21st July 2022

School will **not** be open to students on these days. **SUMMER HOLIDAYS** - Friday 22nd July – Wednesday 31st August 2022

CHAPLAIN'S MESSAGE

'God has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can understand what God has done from beginning to end. I know that there is nothing better for people than to be happy and to do good while they live. That each of them may eat and drink, and find satisfaction in all their activities—this is the gift of God.' Ecclesiastes 3:11-13

After a time of celebration with the Jubilee and Pentecost, we look forward to the summer and all that holds for us. Sunny weather, brighter days, lighter nights and opportunities to think on the year gone by. As our children and young people finish up their school year, it is always interesting to think about what we and they have learned in that time. What have we experienced, what life lessons have we understood, what have been our achievements – both in school and out.

Maybe now is a good time to reflect on the things we have seen and done, for our achievements and the hard times we have been through. To give thanks for the growing we have done, and for God's presence in our lives.

God of Heaven, we give thanks for the days that have gone and the things we have learnt. Bless us in our efforts to be kind, joyful and lead lives that bring glory to you. Amen

Rev. Dominic Hubbuck
School Chaplain
Koinonia Federation Schools
Assistant Priest with East Greenwich Team Ministry