

Newsletter



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Dear Parents

My thanks to Mrs Easthope and Mrs Barron for organizing the Art Week which culminated in the exhibition on Friday. I would also like to thank the PAT for providing the refreshments. The week clearly demonstrated how talented and creative our pupils are. Well done to all the children. If you haven't yet purchased your child's artwork, please send in your payment ASAP.

The dads have a busy few weeks ahead! The first event is the Junior Dads' Quiz Night on **Friday 21 May at 7.30pm**. All dads and their junior children are welcome to attend (no infants please). The evening is usually great fun and gives the dads another chance to show off their skills! Drinks and snacks will be provided. Also, don't forget the dads' football match against Oliver House the following day, **Saturday 22 May**. The details are as follows:

Time: 12.30pm for 1pm kick off
Place: Clapham Old Xaverians' Association ground,
37 County Road, Norbury



Please feel free to bring along all the family to cheer us on! Post match refreshments will be served at the clubhouse. If you haven't been to any of the training sessions but would like to play, please contact Paul Torre on PaulTorre70@aol.com.

Thank you to everyone who brought in a Mary's Meals backpack. We collected a total of 28 which, together with the money raised from the Lenten fundraising activity, will make a big difference to many people's lives.

Attached to this newsletter is an information sheet on each of your children, which has been taken from the school's central database (and in many cases an ethnic background form is also attached). In order for us to ensure that we have the most up to date records, please read each one carefully, make any changes as required and sign it. ALL forms should be returned to the school office by **Friday 21 May**. Thank you.

FUNDRAISING CEILIDH

This is your last chance to get your tickets for the Scottish Ceilidh which is being held in school this **Saturday 15 May from 7pm** (dress code smart casual). The deadline is this Thursday morning – don't miss out!

SCHOOL VISITS

A representative from the Purley Police Community Support team will be coming in **this week and next** to talk separately to all junior classes about 'stranger danger'. She will also be discussing personal safety with the Year 6 children.

Reception, Year 1 & 2 are looking forward to the African drumming & dance workshop run by one of our mums, Mrs Reynolds-Boison, on **Friday 14 May**.

The juniors will once again be involved in a Shakespeare workshop on **Thursday 20 May** from 1.45pm. This will help them to develop both their dramatic & literary skills.

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

In order for us to gauge interest for September, if you wish your child to be registered for either the Early Birds Club (from 8 – 8.30am, Mondays to Fridays) or the After School Club (from 3.45 – 5pm, Mondays to Thursdays), please let either Mrs Askew or Mrs Clarke know ASAP. There will be a slight increase next year to £4 per session for the mornings and £5 per session for the afternoons. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

SPORTS NEWS

The boys pulled off a thrilling victory in the last 6 balls of their cricket match against Essendene last week! Congratulations to Xavi Teague who was awarded player of the match.

The U9 cricket & rounders match vs Laleham Lea originally scheduled for **Monday 17 May** has been postponed to 21 June.

TALKS FOR MUMS

Fr Frank's talk for mums scheduled for this Friday has been postponed to the following week, **21 May at 9am**. The topic is 'Our Lady'. There will be a talk about Opus Dei on **Tuesday 18 May at 7.30pm**. All mums are welcome to attend both talks.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Samples of the recent class and sports photographs are on display in the school office. All orders should be made by returning the proof forms & payment no later than **Monday 17 May**.

NURSERY NEWS....

In the Upper Nursery, we are learning two letter phonograms such as **qu** and **sh**. We are also doing lots of different problem solving activities.

In the Lower Nursery, we are consolidating our knowledge of shape and size, and we have been enjoying practical maths activities.

A reminder that, should parents wish to increase their child's sessions after the half-term, they need to speak to Miss Rafat or Mrs Lobo by Friday 21 May. All requests must be made in writing using the form provided. Due to high demand in the Lower Nursery in particular, increased sessions will only be accommodated if places are available.

ASSEMBLIES

The **More** House assembly will be held on **Friday 21 May at 8.50am**. The Year 1 class assembly will be held on **Friday 28 May at 8.50am**. Parents welcome.

WALK TO SCHOOL WEEK

A reminder about Walk to School week which begins on **Monday 17 May**. At an assembly last week, the children were shown a Powerpoint Presentation about the many benefits of walking to school – keeping fit, enjoying the local area, helping the environment by decreasing carbon dioxide emissions and easing congestion. Children are encouraged to either walk from home or to join their friends for a park and stride to school. They should meet at 8.15am at the various meeting points (details included in the flyer sent out last week). Stickers and certificates will be awarded at the end of the campaign, and the winning class announced!

Merit Badge

Merit Badges for the past 2 weeks have been awarded to:



Reception M: Dominic Jarvis & Michael Newman-Sanders
Reception P: Rocco Alongi & Ana Kennefick
Year 1: David Strong & Elana Prosser Mugerza
Year 2: Junior Changwereza & Ben O'Shea
Year 3: James Kyriakou & Sophie Stevens
Year 4: Tom Candia & Catherine Strong
Year 5: Meera Shah & Alicia Symes
Year 6: Ben Charnock & Rochelle Hesse-Lampthey

CONGRATULATIONS CHILDREN!

SAVE THE DATES

THURSDAY 13 MAY

Year 1 trip to Fairfield Halls

Year 5 'stranger danger' talk

FRIDAY 14 MAY

African drumming / dance workshop for infants

SATURDAY 15 MAY

Fundraising Ceilidh – 7 for 7.30pm

MONDAY 17 MAY

Assessment week begins (Years 1-5)

Walk to School week

TUESDAY 18 MAY

PAT meeting – 9am

Opus Dei talk for ladies – 7.30pm (see separate flyer)

WEDNESDAY 19 MAY

Year 6 'stranger danger' talk

THURSDAY 20 MAY

Shakespeare Workshop for juniors

FRIDAY 21 MAY

More House assembly – 8.50am

Fr Frank talk for mums – 9am

Year 3 & 4 'stranger danger' talks

Junior Dads' Quiz night – 7.30pm

SATURDAY 22 MAY

Dads' football vs Oliver House – 12.30pm

MONDAY 24 MAY

Science week begins

WEDNESDAY 26 MAY

U11 football tournament vs Collingwood School (2pm)

Parent/teacher meetings (4.30 – 8pm)

FRIDAY 28 MAY

Year 1 class assembly – 8.50am

Year 6 leave for Residential Trip (returning Mon 31/5)

School closes for half-term (one week) – 3.45pm