

St Mary Magdalene CE Primary School

NEWSLETTER
SPRING TERM 2009



Happy New Year

I would like to welcome you all back to school after the Christmas break. I hope Christmas was good for you and I wish you and your families a peaceful and prosperous New Year!

This term we welcome a new member of staff to our team to permanently replace Miss Davies-Griffith. Mr Halliday joins us from Bromley Hills Primary in Dudley and has taken over the teaching of Year 5 and responsibility for PE and Maths across the school. We hope he has an enjoyable and successful time with us here at St Mary Magdalene.

SCHOOL CLOSED FOR TRAINING DAY

Each year we have 4 training days. 3 were scheduled at the start of the year—one at the start of each term. We have now arranged the 4th for Friday 27th March. This will mean that school will be closed that day for all pupils!

Church Inspection

On Wednesday 10th December we had our Church Inspection which we have to have in the same term as our OFSTED inspection. It went very well and we were judged to be a Good Church School. I have attached a copy of the report for you to read and it will be available online through our website.

School Hours

School starts at 9.00am and ends at 3.30pm. It is most important that children arrive on time and are collected promptly at the end of each day.

Before Christmas I was getting increasingly concerned about the attendance and punctuality of several families in school and if the situation doesn't improve then I will have no other option but to pass my concerns onto the Educational Welfare Officer.

If children are not collected by 3.40pm they will be placed in the privately run after school club. Should this occur it will result in a charge of £2.50.

PE KIT

Please make sure your child has a PE kit in school this must consist of a white t-shirt, black or blue shorts and a pair of black pumps for PE -**all kit must be named and in a named bag please.**

It should be left in school and we will ensure it comes home to be washed at the end of every half term.

In the winter we try to get the children outside for PE as much as possible, so it would be very helpful if the children brought with them a pair of tracksuit bottoms and a jumper or tracksuit top to keep them warm during outdoor lessons.

The days your child is timetabled for PE this term are as follows (they may have changed!) : -

Nursery—Tuesday
Reception—Thursday & Friday
Year 1—Monday & Tuesday
Year 2—Monday & Friday
Year 3—Tuesday & Thursday
Year 4—Wednesday & Thursday
Year 5—Thursday & Friday
Year 6—Wednesday

Diary for Parents

January

- Monday 5th - Training Day
- Tuesday 6th - Children return to school

February

- Friday 6th - Year 4 Class Assembly
- Wednesday 11th - Parents Evening 6 to 8pm
- Thursday 12th - Parents Evening 4 to 6pm
- Friday 13th - Break Up

- Monday 23rd - Return to school

March

- Wednesday 11th - Year 1 Class Assembly
- Friday 13th - Red Nose Day
- Friday 27th - SCHOOL CLOSED—TRAINING DAY
- w/b Monday 30th - Practice KS2 SATS week for Year 6

April

- Friday 3rd April - Break up for Easter
- Monday 20th - Training Day
- Tuesday 21st - 1st Day back for children
- Thursday 23rd - World Book Day
- Monday 27th - KS1 SATS start for Year 2

May

- Monday 4th - MAY DAY- School Closed
- w/b Tuesday 5th - Assessment Week for whole school

- w/b Monday 11th - KS2 SATS WEEK for Year 6
- Friday 15th - KS1 & KS2 SATS finish

- w/b Monday 18th - ARTS WEEK
- Friday 23rd - Break Up

June

- Monday 1st - Return to school
- Friday 26th - KS2 Production Dress Rehearsal 2pm

- Monday 29th - KS2 Production 2pm
- Tuesday 30th - KS2 Production 10am and 6pm

July

- Friday 3rd - Annual Reports to Parents
- W/B Monday 6th - Health Week
- Tuesday 7th - KS1 Sports Day
- Wednesday 8th - KS2 Sports Day
- Thursday 9th - Parents Evening 4pm to 7pm
- Thursday 16th - Leavers Graduation
- Friday 17th - Break Up – Leavers Assembly