



St Clement's Catholic Primary School

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PARENTS' EVENINGS

Thank-you to all the parents who were able to attend parents' evenings this week. The evenings were successful and we have had some very positive feedback, from teachers and parents, about how useful and informative the discussions were.

Year 6 will be holding their postponed parents' evening on Monday 8th February in their classroom.

We plan to have Parent Drop-ins during the summer term again; this will allow you an opportunity to come into school and look at your children's work during the school day.

CHURCH PARADE

St Clement's Church Parade takes place this Sunday at 10.30am Mass. Pupils who are members of St Clement's Rainbows, Brownies, Guides, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts are asked to attend in full uniform. Parents are asked to take their children to the church hall at 10.20am.

1st Ewell Court (St Clement's) Brownies are hosting the coffee morning in St Clement's church hall after 10.30am Mass this Sunday. If your daughter is involved with Brownies at St Clement's, your help would be appreciated if you can donate cakes or are able to help with setting up, serving or clearing away.



SUGAR SMART APP

Change4Life Campaign has released a 'sugar smart app' that parents/carers and children can use to scan products barcodes to better understand how much sugar is in food. We have received some resources for this campaign which we will be handing out next term as part of a special focus on good health. In the meantime we recommend downloading the Sugar Smart App to your mobile/laptop/tablet, more information can be found on the Change 4 Life website.



SLAPPED CHEEK SYNDROME

It has been brought to our attention that a number of children in school have been diagnosed with 'Slapped Cheek Syndrome'.

Slapped Cheek Syndrome is a type of viral infection that is quite common in children aged between 6-10 years. In children, the most common symptom is the appearance of a distinctive bright red rash on the cheeks. Most children do not need treatment as Slapped Cheek Syndrome is usually a very mild condition that passes within a few days. However, if your child remains unwell or you are concerned about their condition please seek medical information from your GP.

Please be aware that people with certain blood disorders, pregnant women or people with a weakened immune system will need to contact their GP for advice if they have been in contact with a child who has Slapped Cheek Syndrome. More information regarding the symptoms and treatment can be found on the NHS Direct website www.nhs.uk.

RECEPTION CLASS VISIT FROM SURREY FIRE & RESCUE SERVICE

On Wednesday this week, our Reception Class was visited by Red Watch of Epsom and Ewell Fire Service who gave the children some insight into the job of a firefighter.

The children were extremely excited to meet the brigade and to see their wonderfully red and extraordinarily large Fire Engine and were thrilled when they were offered the chance to hold some of the equipment the brigade had brought with them! The children had an amazing opportunity to climb aboard and sit behind the wheel as well as actually hold the fire hose and pretend to put out a fire.

The visit was the final part of the EYFS Topic of People Who Help Us, and the Firefighters were very surprised to see their audience was made up of some police officers and even some little firefighters!

We would like to send an enormous THANK YOU to Epsom and Ewell Fire Service the valuable time spent with our children; perhaps it may have inspired some fire fighters of the future!



'HAPPY CHRISTMAS (WAR IS OVER)'

The John Lennon song 'Happy Christmas (War Is Over)' was sung beautifully by the children in Key Stage 2 at their Advent Service. You will remember that a video clip of this was sent to Yoko Ono by one of our parents, Roberto Neri, who has connections with her as he manages John Lennon's back catalogue.

We are delighted to report that Yoko Ono has seen the video and was very touched and loved the performance from the children, the lyrics being relevant to the madness in the world combined with the innocence of the children was most powerful.



FULHAM FC PRIMARY SCHOOLS' DAY

Fulham FC v Bristol City - Saturday 12th March 2016

Fulham FC are hosting their annual Primary Schools' Day as Fulham host Bristol City (KO 3pm).

Tickets will cost £15 for adults and £5 for juniors (U17) (normally priced at £30 and £15 respectively). To book your tickets, please go to fulhamfc.com/primaryschoolsday or call 0843 208 1234 (option 3). Forms are available from the school office if you are unable to download the form.



SCOOTERS IN SCHOOL

We are really pleased that so many children are adopting healthy lifestyle choices, including coming to school by bike or scooter, rather than in a car. Well done and thank you! **For the safety of all, this is a polite reminder that no children are allowed to ride scooters or bikes on the school site.**

Thank you for your support in this matter.

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

Fr Graham will be celebrating Ash Wednesday Mass in the school hall on Wednesday 10th February at 2.00pm. You are very welcome to attend.

BALLOT BOX

This week the children have been given the chance to vote on how they would like to change the back playground. The ballot paper asked for a 'Yes' or 'No' answer to lots of different questions e.g. Do we have enough space for running around/sitting and doing quiet things? Do we need more/less grass? The sail should stay/go. Do we need another trim trail?

Our School Council have been involved in the preparation of the ballot questions and we will let you know the results in due course!

