



Family Update

Friday 3rd July



Dear Families,

As the end of the academic year draws near, it is important to reflect on the year that has passed and to give thanks to God for His goodness towards us.

The children and staff have demonstrated great resilience this year and have lived out our vision of 'Excellence with Compassion' with sincerity and dedication.

In Monday's Collective Worship, we reminded ourselves of the story of Jesus calming the storm. In the midst of the storm, the disciples called on Jesus, and He stilled the waves. This academic year has required a great deal of faith, particularly from the staff and pupils in Years 5 and 6. Yet we also have so many reasons to give thanks. We have been blessed by an outpouring of love and generosity from our friends at Gateway Academy, the London Diocesan Board for Schools, the local authority, St Mary's Church, our families, and most importantly, God.

The progress the children have made, despite the challenges, is a testament to how the Christian values of the school shape not only our actions, but also our world view. We cannot help but feel joy when we see how the children have thrived both academically and spiritually.

As we share with you the penultimate Family Update of the year, please join us in giving thanks for all the joy we experience here at school: for the children, for the progress they have made, and for the many ways in which we have all experienced God's goodness.



'EXCELLENCE WITH COMPASSION'

'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength. And love your neighbour as yourself.' (Mark 12:30-31)

SUMMER FAIR 2026

On Thursday, July 9th, Entry will be from 2pm for the school and 3pm to 5pm for the public.

Location: St Mary's Bryanston Square CE Primary School, Enford Street, London, W1H 1DL



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**DON'T MISS
OUT ON THIS
FANTASTIC EVENT.**

- **Face Painting**
- **Food Stalls**
- **Games**
- **Live Music,**
- **AND MUCH MORE!**





News



Summer Fair cont...

We are all eagerly awaiting the annual Summer Fair on 9th July. This is always such a joyous occasion, and this year promises to be no different.

On the day of the fair, school will close at 1:30pm. There will then be a very quick turnaround as we prepare to reopen for the fair at 2:00pm. Between 2:00pm and 3:00pm, the fair will be open exclusively to children who attend St Mary's School. From 3pm onwards, we will open our doors to children and families from the local community.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Morning Arrival Reminder

A reminder to all families that the school gates open each morning at 8:45am. Children should arrive in good time to allow them time to come into school calmly, settle into their classrooms, and begin the day positively.

The school register is taken at 9:00am, and this is also when the gates close. Recently, there has been an increasing number of families arriving at or after 9:00am. This often results in children and parents rushing to school, which can make the start of the day feel stressful and lead to less calm goodbyes for children.

We kindly ask all families to ensure they are arriving in good time and adhering to the timings of the school day. A calm and punctual start helps children feel settled, ready to learn, and prepared for the day ahead. We are monitoring this closely and a member of the Senior Leadership Team will be present at the office for the remaining mornings at 9am.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Sports Days

This week we had not one but two Sports Days! It was wonderful to see the children using all of their athletic skills, from javelin to long jump. Thank you to all the staff and parents who supported these events to run so smoothly.





Year 3 Summer 2 Learning



Year 3 had a fantastic time during Arts Week, taking part in a range of exciting creative activities. They visited the National Gallery for a Colours Workshop, where they explored how artists use colour to create different effects. Back at school, they designed and made their own clay pots inspired by Grayson Perry, created personal maps to represent their passions, and produced their own flip books. Additionally, the children enjoyed an energetic drumming workshop and proudly performed their drumming piece to the whole school.



As part of our work on oracy, Year 3 performed 'The Sound Collector' by Roger McGough in Collective Worship. They worked hard to learn the poem and performed it with confidence and expression. We were so proud of the effort they put in and how well they shared their performance with the rest of the school.



Year 3 had a fantastic time at Sports Day, taking part in a range of events including the javelin, long jump, relay races and obstacle courses. It was wonderful to see the children trying their best, showing great determination and, most importantly, cheering on and encouraging one another throughout the day. We were incredibly proud of the teamwork, sportsmanship and kindness they showed.



Year 3 enjoyed taking part in Prayer Space Day with Kirstine and Angie. During the session, the children spent time reflecting on their own strengths and thinking about the many things they are thankful for. It was a calm and thoughtful experience that encouraged them to appreciate both themselves and the people around them.



Year 4 Summer 2 Learning



Year 4 had a fantastic time at Sports Day, throwing themselves into every event with enthusiasm, determination and huge smiles! From javelin, triple jump, long jump and the relay races to the exciting sprint finals, every child gave their very best, while cheering on their team and celebrating each other's successes. It was a wonderful day enjoyed by pupils and their families alike, filled with teamwork, encouragement and unforgettable memories. Thank you to all adults who supported us. We appreciate you. ❤️



For Arts Week, Year 4 portrayed their artistic talents as they explored colour, creativity, and imagination through a range of exciting art activities including taking part in a workshop at the magnificent National Gallery and a rhythmic vocal and body percussion session. In addition, Year 4 took inspiration from the vibrant artwork of Bhajan Hunjan, to produce an amazing collection of paintings and clay coil pots.



ITSU's Youth Kitchen visited Year 4 for an exceptional culinary session, that explored different food groups, reminded them of the importance of balanced diets and healthy lifestyles, instructed the class on cutting and chopping skills (with a range of utensils), and practically worked on the preparation of a range of delicious vegetables for a **Rainbow Ramen**. They took their fares home to encourage the class to share what they have learned, and to cook with their families. Truly scrumptious!





Events



School Uniform

In advance of new school uniform and school shoes being purchased over the summer, please take a moment to remind yourself of the school uniform expectations, outlined in the school uniform policy [here](#).

Dates for the diary

Here are the dates for the rest of this academic year. Please add the dates below to your diary so that you don't miss out.

All of the dates are available on the school website too.

Date	Time	Focus	Led by/who is invited
Tues 7th July	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Parent Report Drop in	Whole School
Thurs 9th July	2pm - 5pm	Summer Fair School will close at 1:30pm.	Whole School
Mon 13th July	4:30pm	Year 6 Show	Year 6 parents
Tues 14th July	4pm – 5.30pm	Year 6 BBQ	Year 6 pupils
Wed 15th July	2.30pm	Year 6 Leavers' Service	Whole School
Fri 17th July	1.30pm	End of term and the start of the summer holidays!	Whole School



Attendance

Class	Attendance figures
Nursery	97.6%
Reception	99.2%
Year 1	95.7%
Year 2	100.0%
Year 3	98.8%
Year 4	98.6%
Year 5 /6	97.4%

Well done to **Year 2**, our attendance winners this week, with 100% attendance!

Prayer

Dear Lord,

As the end of the academic year draws near, we give thanks for your presence in our lives. Thank you that every child and adult in our school is precious to you and deeply loved by you.

We are grateful for the many ways we have experienced your goodness throughout this year, and for the ways you have sustained us during difficult times.

Be with us over the next two weeks as we celebrate the end of the academic year. May your love guide our words and actions in school, at home, and within our communities.

Amen.