

**DATES FOR YOUR
DIARY**

ST. MARYS NEWS LETTER

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**Half Term Holi-
day**

**Monday 26/10/15
to Friday
30/10/15**

Monday 2/11/15 E

**Safety week—
anti Bullying
week**

**Power of one—
anti bullying pro-
duction**

**Keeping our-
selves safe day
7/11/15**

**Parent E safety
workshops**

Dear Parents and Carers

As we approach the half term holiday I am amazed at how time has flown! However I am pleased to note all of the amazing learning and events that have taken place so far this academic year.

Last week Year 4 and Year 5 went on trips to support their learning. Year 4 went to the British Museum to look at the exhibition on ancient Egypt and Year 5 also to the British museum to look at Anglo Saxon & Viking and Ancient Islamic artefacts. They all had a fantastic time and did lots of learning. We also had an assembly and KS2 had workshops led by The London Young Ambassadors. The focus of this was to help our children think about what being a 'good citizen' looks like and encouraging children to support their communities .

We are a little disappointed that only one parent has put themselves forward for the two vacancies for parent governors. If you would like to find out more about the role please speak to me asap. It is important that we have parents represented on the governing body.

Lastly, we have a number of parents and carers coming into school in the morning just to use the toilets . The toilets by the office are for staff use only, however in an emergency please ask a member of staff at the office.

Have a great weekend

Mrs O'Brien

**Did you see the letter about this years' Christmas
Theatre trips?**

**Nursery and Reception will be going
to see 'The Tiger that came to tea'
and the rest of the school will be seeing the 'Wizard of Oz'.**

**Please look out for the letter and ensure the permission slip
and first payment arrives at school by the 23rd October.**

Thank you.

Oh no I didn't!

Inside Story Headline

HARVEST FESTIVAL

St. Marys choir participated in the Harvest Festival service in church. They sang 2 amazing songs and also helped with the collecting of food for the Hackney food bank.

What an amazing start to the new school year for our choir.

Next step the O2 for the young voices concert in February 2016.



ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Attendance winners: Year 3

Punctuality winners: Year 6



CONTACT NUMBERS & EMAIL ADDRESS

PARENTS :Please make sure that the office has all your correct telephone numbers and email address's



Inside Story Headline

UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD

Parent workshops on 'Understanding Your Child,' will be run by Rajinder Sodhi, Educational Psychologist from Hackney Learning Trust on 9th and 23rd November. These workshops will take place at 3.30 and school will provide a crèche and light refreshments. More information will be sent out closer to the time.

YEAR 5



Year 5 visited the British Museum to look at Anglo Saxon & Viking and Ancient Islamic artefacts.

We had a lovely day despite the rain!!!!



LEARN SPANISH WITH YOUR CHILD

Some of our parents have gone back to school and have been taking part in Spanish lessons. Last week some parents learnt that the Spanish alphabet has extra letters and that it is said differently to the English alphabet. They also took part in a speaking activity with the class. They were asked how are you? ^{and to say their name} their name and how to spell it. Year 4 parents learnt about pets today and also took part in a class survey finding out who has a pet. If you would like to learn alongside your child, get in touch with Ms Kennedy to register your interest. The dates are as follows.

DATES FOR AUTUMN TERM

Nursery—Friday 4th December 9.30—9.45am

Reception—Friday 27th November 9.30—9.45am

Year 1—Friday 13th November 2.20—2.35pm

Year 2—Friday 6th November 11.00—11.15am

Year 5—Friday 23rd October 2.40—3.25pm

Year 6—Friday 20th November 1.35—2.20pm



YEAR AT PGL



Year 6 thoroughly enjoyed their time at PGL, Marchants Hill. We took part in a variety of activities, many of which challenged us to face our fear of heights. These included: zip wire, rock climbing and the notorious giant swing! This was a valuable experience for all and now that we're back we look fondly on the memories we made together.

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Keeping your children safe

For safety children are not allowed to play on or use any play equipment before or after school. Please ensure you supervise your children before school and once your child has been dismissed to you at the end of the school day.

INTERNATIONAL EVENING

We made an amazing £151.00.

Thank you for all the wonderful food that was donated to make the event unforgettable.

A big thank you to all staff and parents who helped on the day (you know who you are).

Thank You

