



# SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

## Friday 26th February 2016

### Year 6 Classics Day at Wetherby

On Tuesday, Y6 went to Wetherby Prep School for the day to join in a special Classics Day. They took part in workshops about the theatre, gladiators and learnt how to write in Greek! The workshops were led by students from Oxford University. The children behaved beautifully, and we were very proud of them.



### Year 3 Lord's Cricket Coaching

This week, Year 3 received cricket coaching from a coach from Lord's. They developed their skills in batting and fielding during the session:



### Assembly Dates for this term:

Friday March 4th at 9.10—Book Week  
**Children can dress up as a word (KS1 & 2, or book character F1&F2) to celebrate Book Day on Friday**  
Friday March 11th at 2.45- Year 2  
Friday March 18th at 2.45—Year 3  
Thursday March 24th—Church Service 9.15

### Parents' Evening

Next week, we will be holding Parents' Evening on Tuesday and Wednesday after school. Sign-up sheets are available in the school office, or please contact [office@stmbs.org.uk](mailto:office@stmbs.org.uk) to request a slot. This is a crucial time to discuss your child's progress, so please do try to attend.

### Learning Mentor Parents' Help...

Our Learning Mentor, Mrs Leith, is holding a 'Drop In' for all parents in the ICT room on the days of the Parents meetings, for support and tips on all your concerns, e.g.

- ⇒ bedtime routines
- ⇒ help keeping homework a pleasant and battle-free zone
- ⇒ friendship ups and downs
- ⇒ how to manage challenging behaviour
- ⇒ screen time advice

Also, on Wednesday evening, Mr Irvine, our IT technician, can help advise you about, and apply, age appropriate filters for your tablets/phones.

All welcome - come along "while-U-wait" for your teacher's slot.



### Coffee Morning for Parents

**Wednesday 2 March 16:**

**PLAY...SLEEP...MEMORY... 'SCREENS'**- the school is very fortunate to have our EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGIST Alex Haswell come to talk to parents on: how play and sleep can really help your child's ability to learn and thrive with their learning, how memory works and *why* and *how*- to reduce screentime.

*Please attend this meeting if at all possible.* There is a sign up sheet in the school office. We require a certain number of attendees for the meeting to proceed. Please see Mrs Leith for more information, and we look forward to seeing you there. Please note that due to our Safe-guarding Policy, we are not able to extend invitations for *this* meeting to parents who are not part of our school.

*Please do check out our school website—it has regular updates about what is going on in school, as well as information about how the school is continuing to develop, information about all the subjects we teach and practical information like term dates and uniform. I am really looking forward to seeing everyone in their International Dress, and learning about the countries our children come from today.*

Best wishes **Emily Norman—Headteacher**