



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Friday 27th January 2017

School Council Visit to British Land

On Tuesday, our School Council visited the offices of British Land to learn about the impact buildings have on health and well-being. Matthew Webster from British Land talked to the children about the sort of adaptations that can be made to a space to encourage healthier lifestyles, better interaction and to enhance well-being. They saw walls made of natural materials, a variety of different seating arrangements, and the importance of a natural view. They were full of ideas, which hopefully they can put into action, helping us to make St Mary's an even better place to learn and work. Thank you to British Land for hosting us.



Year 4 Wallace Collection

This week, Year 4 went to the Wallace Collection to look for mathematical patterns as part of a new pilot scheme. They searched for circles, spheres and ellipses in the art, then learnt about the parts of a circle. Toby (the armouries curator) spoke to them about different shields and then they used the shields they saw to design their own.



Assembly Dates for Spring Term

Friday 3rd February—Y2

Thursday 9th February 9.15—everyone in Church. All welcome, with coffee available for parents.

Looking ahead: International Day 3rd March 2017

HALF TERM: 13th—17th February. School restarts on Monday 20th February for ALL children.

Parents Evenings

Parents evenings are on Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st January for all classes.

Please sign up in the office or email Ms Lo on office@stmbs.org.uk for an appointment.

Coffee Morning—Every Wednesday

“Greening Our Children's Future!” Fun ways to help our Children RECYCLE. Wednesday 1st February.

Gemma Green, Westminster Waste and Recycling Officer will bring information, inspiration and hopefully some freebies to take home! Please sign up on the sheet in the office: we need a good number to attend please.

Foodbank Fruit & Veg Initiative

A reminder, following last week's assembly, about bringing fresh fruit and vegetables for the food bank on a Tuesday. This week it is the turn of Year 4, followed by Year 6 on 7th February.



School References

I'm sure you know that when children move on after St Mary's, or relocate and start a new school, the next school will ask for a reference. We are always happy to complete these for families.

However, they are very time-consuming and it is important that we know in advance that these will be sent to us, so we can put aside time for them. Thank you to all the parents who have spoken to me about needing a reference. Please can I remind any other parents who are thinking about the next stage of schooling to make sure they speak to me first, so that when references arrive in school they are not surprise! Many thanks.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend, and a very happy **NEW YEAR** to all our Chinese families.

Emily Norman, Headteacher

