



St Mary's Priory Catholic Infant and Junior Schools'

School Newsletter

Where great lives begin

10th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the final weeks of this half term, we have a number of exciting events and important reminders to share with you. Thank you, as always, for your continued support and enthusiasm!

● Red Top Day – Friday 17th October

We're proud to support 'Show Racism the Red Card'. Children are invited to wear a red top next Friday and bring a £1 donation to support this vital charity. Let's stand together against racism and raise awareness in our school community.

👤 Parent-Teacher Consultations – Tuesday 14th & Wednesday 15th October

Consultations for Nursery to Year 5 will take place next week. This is a valuable opportunity to discuss your child's progress and celebrate their achievements. Appointment details have been sent home- please contact the office if you need assistance booking through Arbor. If you can't make a face to face meeting, reminder we are offering telephone calls during your slot, but you need to let the class teacher know.

🌾 Harvest Festival Liturgy – Friday 17th October at 9am

We warmly invite parents to join us for our Harvest Festival in the school hall. Please note that seating may be limited.

We are also collecting non-perishable food donations to support local families in need- thank you for your generosity.

🎉 Final Week Celebrations – Non-Uniform Days & Autumn Mini Fair

We're ending the half term with two themed non-uniform days:

Wednesday 22nd October: Children may wear fancy dress or autumn colours.

Join us for our Autumn Mini Fair from 3:00–4:30pm.

School will finish early at 3:00pm- please collect your child promptly and enjoy the fair with us!

Friday 24th October: In celebration of Black History Month, children are invited to dress wearing 'Pan-African' colours: two sets of colour combinations: red, black and green OR red, yellow and green.

We look forward to seeing you at these events and celebrating together as a school community.

Warm regards,

Ms Reynolds
Deputy Headteacher

Attendance winners! 	
Infant School:	Junior School:
Robin 96.27%	5B 100%
Punctuality winners! 	
Robin 4 late	5B & 4D 4 late

School calendar:

When:	What:	Who:	Where:	Time:
All year	Clubs: Monday: Y1-6 Football (Top Sports Academy)/ Street Dance (Y4-6)/ Arts and Craft (ASC) Tuesday: Multi-sports (ASC) Wednesday: Performing Arts (ASC) Thursday: Y1-6 Multi-sports (Top Sports Academy) Friday: Homework (ASC)		Various	9am
October	Black History Month Harvest Festival- collecting donations for local foodbanks as well as the school's	All		
14th/15th October	Parent Teacher Consultations: Nursery-Year 6	All parents	Inf/Junior Halls	3.40-6pm
17th October	Show racism the red card- wear a red top. £1 donation	All pupils		
17th October	Harvest Festival Liturgy Parents invited.	All pupils/parents	Halls	
22nd October	PSA's Mini Autumn Fair! Non-uniform Day- come to school in fancy dress or in autumn-colours!	All	Infant Hall	Fair: 3-4.30pm
24th October	Black History Month celebration! Non-uniform day- come to school wearing 'Pan-African' colours: two sets of colour combinations: red, black and green OR red, yellow and green .	All		

St Mary's Priory Catholic Infant & Junior School
WEEKLY MENU WEEK 1
 WEEK 2 WEEK 3

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	THEME DAYS
MAIN	Prawn Pie (M, G, W)	Pan Foc Chicken	Spaghetti Beef & Lentil Submarine (G, W, N)	Butter Chicken Curry (G, W, N)	Battered Fish & Chips (F, G, W)	LOVE BRITISH FOOD
VEGGIE	Veggie Supreme Pizza (M, G, W)	Pan Foc Bacon & Eggplant (G, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, W)	Vegetable & Lentil Submarine (G, W, N)	Chicken & Vegetable Skewers (G, M, N, O, P, Q, R, W)	Vegan Nuggies & Chips (G, W)	FESTIVAL OF LIGHT
SIDES	Homemade Potato Wedges & Green Salad (G, W)	Steamed Rice & Green Beans	Pasta & carrots	Steamed Rice & Green Beans	Beans or Peas	BONFIRE
PASTA & JACKET	Vegan Baked Vegetable Focaccia (G, W)	Jacket & Salad	Tortilla & East Focaccia (G, W)	Jacket & Salad	Mac & Cheese (M, G, W)	WONDERLAND
PUD	Irish Vanilla Sponge (G, M, N, O, P, Q, W)	Chocolate Brownie (G, M, N, O, P, W)	Apple Crumble with Custard (M, G, W)	Carrot Cake (G, M, N, O, P, Q, W)	Cinnamon Swirl (G, W)	

DAILY SALAD BAR • HOMEMADE BREAD • FRESH FRUIT

DATES
 1 SEP - 22 SEP

ALLERGENS
 CE = CELIAC | PF = PEANUT | SOY = SOY | LG = LACTOSE | EG = EGG | MILK = MILK | SHEEP = SHEEP | SESAME = SESAME | SESAME | SESAME





Stars of the Week



Class:	Stars:	
Owl Class	Indica	Bria
Robin Class	Kajetan	Naru
Dove Class	Kalice	Noa
3C	Ryan	Yasmin
4D	Jesica	Sofia
5W	Isabelle	Olivia
5B	Valeria	Grace
6J	Noel	Heidi

Congratulations to our Stars of the week!
These pupils have worked exceptionally hard to stand out amongst their peers. Well done everyone!



2025
**BLACK
HISTORY
MONTH**
#BLACKHISTORYMONTH

Poster competition!

Our House Captains are excited to launch a **poster competition!**

We invite you to create a poster celebrating a **notable Black figure**, past or present. This could be someone famous or even someone important in your own life! Please bring your entries to your class by **Monday 20th October.**

****Winners will be announced in the last Friday's assembly.****



The background is a warm orange color, decorated with various autumn-themed illustrations. There are several acorns scattered throughout, some in shades of brown and orange. There are also various types of leaves, including large yellow maple leaves and smaller orange and red leaves on branches. At the bottom of the page, there is a detailed illustration of autumn produce: a large orange pumpkin, a red apple, a yellow mug with a cinnamon stick and a cookie, a jar of jam, and a corn cob.

• JOIN US •

AUTUMN MINI FAIR

Wed 22 October

3:00 PM TO 4:30 PM

 Arts & crafts stations |  Football goal challenge |  Children's art sale |  Delicious refreshments |  Music

Children are invited to dress in autumn colours, Halloween costumes, or anything they like for the day.



WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT TO MAKE THIS EVENT A SUCCESS:



Food & Drinks Donations

Please donate cakes (homemade or shop-bought), savoury snacks, biscuits, juice, or other refreshments. Shop-bought items can be donated at the school office by Tuesday 21st October; homemade goods can be brought on the day by 2 pm.

Remember: no nuts, and homemade goods should be labelled clearly with all ingredients.



Craft Materials

We're collecting masks, headbands, beads, rhinestones, leaves, ribbons, glitter, face art stencils and temporary tattoos. Please drop donations at the school office by Monday 20th October.



Children's Artwork

Encourage your child to create artwork at home (paintings, drawings, crafts or your own creative idea) to sell at our Kids Art Stand. Please bring creations to school by Tuesday 21st October.



Volunteers Needed

Can you spare 30-60 minutes to help run an activity station? We'd love your support! Please contact the school office.





3C attended mass at St John Vianney for the first time since joining the Juniors!

We held a book fair with Scholastic books. The school receives a percentage of the money spent at the fair so thank you for supporting!

We're taking part in The Rosary Challenge this October!



St Mary's Priory RE Newsletter



As the Autumn term begins, we return with fresh enthusiasm and a united dedication to supporting the spiritual and personal development of every child in our care. This term brings new opportunities for our pupils to deepen their faith and to embody the Gospel values that are at the heart of our school community.

We are reminded that God will guide us this year in *Proverbs 3:5-6*
"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight"

May this term be filled with happiness and blessings for all our families,
 Mrs Murphy



-Join us, every Wednesday, at St John Vianney's Church as Fr Jerome celebrates 9:15am Mass. **One class will attend each week, please check your emails so you know when your child's class will be attending.**
 -October is the month of the Holy Rosary, we invite parents/carers to pray a decade of the Rosary every Friday at 8:45 in the Junior Hall with our prayer leaders.

RE in the classroom

Branch 1- Creation and Covenant	Branch 2- Prophecy and Promise
EYFS: Children learn that God made the world and loves each of us.	EYFS: They begin to recognise that the Bible helps us know God's promises.
Year 1: Pupils explore the beauty of creation and God's plan for us	Year 1: They learn about God's promises to Abraham.
Year 2: Through Noah, pupils learn about God's special promise in the rainbow.	Year 2: Pupils discover how people waited with hope for a saviour.
Year 3: Children reflect on stewardship and God's covenant with Moses.	Year 3: They explore waiting for the Messiah.
Year 4: Pupils focus on trust and faith through Abraham, Sarah and Moses.	Year 4: Children study prophets who spoke of hope and God's promises.
Year 5: They study the Ten Commandments and the Exodus, learning about freedom.	Year 5: Pupils reflect on Old Testament prophecies about Jesus
Year 6: Pupils explore Creation, the Fall and moral choices.	Year 6: They study prophetic voices challenging injustice, pointing to a new covenant.



Scan the QR code for the music we will be covering this term in class and in our Praise Assemblies.

Catholic Life & Mission

25th September- Bake sale after school to raise funds for CAFODs emergency fund.

Food Bank Collection

During the month of October, we kindly ask for donations of non-perishable foods as well as essential toiletries to help out our local food bank.

10th October- World porridge Day, we ask the children to contribute £1 for an afternoon of fun in aid of Mary's Meals.

17th October- Harvest Festival
 Parents are warmly invited to attend this special assembly that gives thanks to God for the plentiful harvest and food we eat.

Wrap Up London- throughout October and the beginning of November, we will be collecting old coats.

03rd December- KS2 classes to attend Westminster Cathedral for the Catholic Children's Society Advent Carol Service

House Saints Days this Autumn Term:

- St Vincent de Paul- 27th September (Green)**
 Children from St Vincent's can wear their house colours on Friday 26th September
- St Therese of Lisieux- 01st October (Blue)**
- St Francis- 03rd October (Yellow)**



Parish Links:

- Mass Times at St John Vianney's Church, N15
<https://stjohnvianneywestgreen.co.uk/mass-times-2/>
- Mass Times at St Thomas More's Church, N4
<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/manorhouse/mass-times/>

ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS HALLOWEEN PARTY



FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER

ST THOMAS MORE CHURCH HALL
6PM-8.30PM

FEATURING MR MARVEL'S MAGIC SHOW • DISCO • COSTUME PARADE
• PUMPKIN CARVINGS • GHOST STORIES
• HOT DOGS & NON-MEAT OPTIONS • SNACKS • DRINKS

TICKETS £4 PER PERSON OR £10 PER FAMILY (CASH ONLY)

(MAXIMUM 2 CHILDREN WITH PARENTS) PLEASE NOTE THIS IS A TICKET ONLY EVENT
TICKETS AVAILABLE IN ADVANCE AT THE IRISH ELDERLY ADVICE NETWORK OFFICE ON THURSDAYS 10AM - 3PM
TICKETS ALSO AVAILABLE FROM FR CLIVE, LIAN BRIAN-PREACHER, GERALDINE CASEY AND ELIZABETH NGOZI.

ST THOMAS MORE CHURCH, HENRY ROAD, N4 2LH | (CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINER 6PM TILL 8.30PM)

THEIR SERVICE, OUR HISTORY

For generations, Black men and women have stood at Britain's frontlines – on land, at sea, and in the air – serving with skill, discipline, and pride. The six lives remembered here reflect a far greater story: one of courage, loyalty, and service that strengthened Britain and earned a lasting place in its history.



WALTER TULL



Professional footballer who became a commissioned officer in the British Army during the First World War. He led his men on the Western Front with courage until his death in 1918.



JOHNNY SMYTHE



RAF navigator in the Second World War who flew hazardous missions over Europe, survived being shot down and held prisoner, and later served Britain in distinguished public roles.



ULRIC CROSS



The most decorated West Indian serviceman of the Second World War, whose RAF missions preceded a diplomatic career that shaped newly independent African nations.



DAVID CLEMETSON



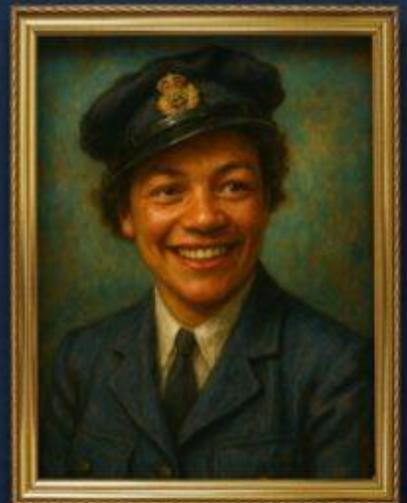
Cambridge-educated Jamaican who served as a commissioned officer in the First World War – a rare distinction at the time. He saw front-line service before his death in 1918.



RICHARD (DICKIE) BARR



Royal Navy veteran whose notable career reflects the long-standing tradition of Black sailors defending Britain at sea and proudly serving with skill across the world's oceans.



LILIAN BADER



Among the first Black women in Britain's armed forces, she trained as an instrument repairer in the WAAF during the Second World War, keeping aircraft ready for combat.

POWER IN PROTEST



ALTHERIA JONES-LECOINTE

Scientist and leader in the British Black Panthers whose organising and intellect built community programmes, defended Black Britons, and inspired a generation with the language of resistance



CLAUDIA JONES

Journalist, organiser, and visionary who founded the West Indian Gazette and launched Britain's first Caribbean Carnival, blending culture with protest to empower communities. e language of resistance



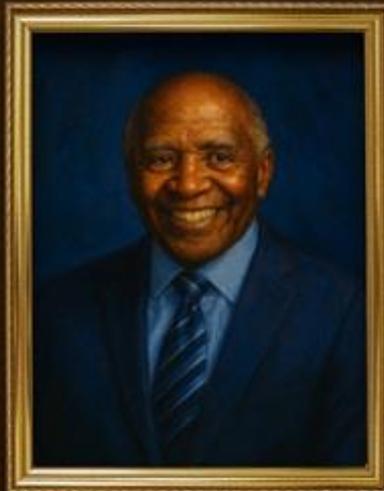
MAVIS BEST

Grassroots leader who spearheaded the Scrap the Sus campaign, uniting communities to end racist stop-and-search laws and proving ordinary people could force national change.



OLIVE MORRIS

Radical organiser and member of the British Black Panther Movement who fought tirelessly for housing rights, women's liberation, and racial equality.



PAUL STEPHENSON

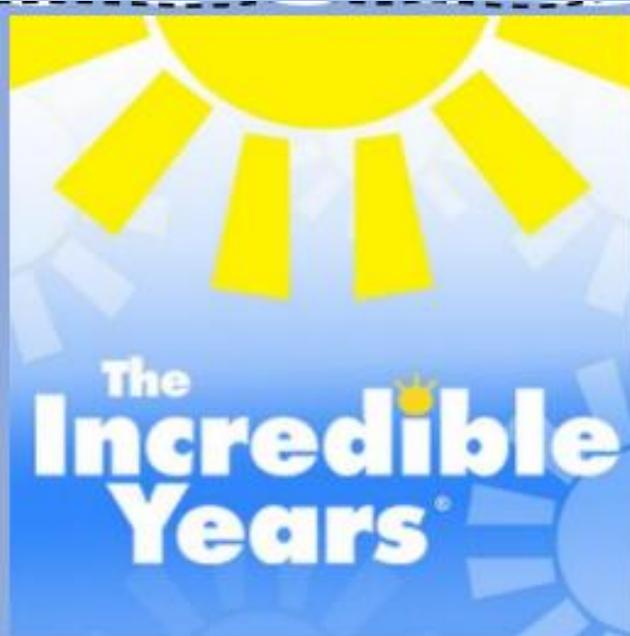
Leader of the 1963 Bristol Bus Boycott, a landmark protest that challenged colour bars and helped pave the way for race relations legislation.



ROY HACKETT

Civil rights leader whose direct action in Bristol transformed the city's transport policy and became a catalyst for national change.

Across Britain's modern history, Black activists have spoken out, stood firm, and demanded change. They organised boycotts, led campaigns, built networks, and challenged systems that denied justice. Their courage shifted opinion, reshaped laws, and inspired new generations to act. The six people remembered here are part of a longer tradition – one that shows protest is not only resistance, but power to remake the nation.



Webster-Stratton Parenting Group

- Are you a parent/carer of a child aged 3-11 years?
- Are you finding your child's behaviour challenging?
- **We welcome families with children with a neurodivergent profile**

What does the programme involve?

- A free 12-week programme led by Emily Brees, Educational Psychologist and Carolyn Graham, Senior Educational Psychologist
- 2-hour sessions on Thursday mornings (10am -12pm) in term time starting on 16th October 2025 at: Triangle Children's Centre and Family Hub, 91-93 St Ann's Rd, N15 6NU
- Tea, coffee & snacks will be provided!

How has the group helped other parents in Haringey?

It has helped me to identify the problems I have and how to deal with them

I feel that I am not on my own facing the challenges of parenting

I stay more focused and calmer when responding to my children's behaviour

I have more strategies and know what works for my child

What is the Incredible Years® Parenting Programme?

The Incredible Years® Parenting Programme was developed by Carolyn Webster-Stratton. It has helped thousands of parents to support their children's behavior and promote their children's social, emotional and academic development. The group will involve video clips, discussions and a wide range of different activities, encouraging parents to share ideas and strategies in a supportive environment. The aim of the programme is to help you enjoy being a parent!

What will the programme cover?

- Suggestions of ways to enjoy time with your child, such as how to play and interact effectively
- Explaining and practicing ways to promote positive behaviours and reduce inappropriate behaviours
- Rules, routines and effective limit setting
- Supporting your child's emotional well-being
- Help to regulate your own feelings

New series of free monthly workshops for parents

Do you think your child may have ADHD or are they on the waiting list for an assessment?

- Come along and hear about helpful information and strategies.
- Meet other parents and professionals



Led by
CAMHS and
the
Educational
Psychology
Service

Sign up here:

<https://sendpowerinharingey.eventbrite.com>



Upcoming sessions:

Tuesday 21st October 2025 - ADHD and executive functioning

Tuesday 18th November - ADHD and sleep

Tuesday 16th December - ADHD and support in school

Time: 10 - 11.30am

Place: Chestnuts Community Centre (N15 5BN)

New series of free monthly workshops for parents

Who can attend these workshops?

These workshops are for any parent/carer whose children:

- live and/or go to school in Haringey
- and/or have a GP in Haringey



What are these workshops about?

These are interactive workshops where you will have the chance to get accurate information around ADHD from practitioners, ask questions, and meet and chat with fellow parents/carers.

There will be individual sessions on a range of topics - attend when you can, sign up in advance if possible.

What topics will be discussed?

Future topics for workshops next term (Spring 2026) include:

- ADHD: pros and cons of diagnosis and medication
- ADHD over the lifespan
- ADHD and managing behaviour
- ADHD and emotion coaching
- ADHD and screen time
- ADHD and the development of attention

Sign up here:

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**HARINGEY
MUSIC SERVICE**

PRESENTS



Junior Vox

A vocal group for ages 8 - 11
All singers are welcome!

**Tuesday
4:15 - 5:00pm**

Chestnuts Community Centre
280 St Ann's Road, N15 5BN

An amazing opportunity!

If you are looking for a challenge and want to push yourself musically and get the chance for some exciting performance opportunities, then this choir is for you!

No audition required!

This group is for singers who are looking to explore their vocal harmony and voices in a variety of ways, to eventually work alongside other musicians, vocalists and other ensembles.

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*This is **NOT** a standard choir. This is a vocal group with an edge.



Health Services in Haringey Coffee Morning

Does your child receive health services or services from Tynemouth Road?

- Dental Services
- Occupational Therapy
- Speech and Language
- Physiotherapy



Come along to an informal coffee morning to chat about health services for SEND children and meet other parents/carers

Wednesday 15th October 2025, 9:30 - 11.30am
Chestnuts Community Centre, N15 5BN

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<https://www.stmaryspriory.co.uk>

Parent workshops

Strengthening child/parent relationships

Supportive and Reflective workshops for St. Mary's Priory Schools.



Aim of the workshops: To enhance the parent-child relationship by promoting the parent's reflective capacity, emotional regulation and understanding of parent-child communications.

Method: The programme takes place during 10 sessions, one hour and 15 minutes each. The themes for each session are related to attachment principles, child development, the impact of trauma and the importance of care-giving.

Within each session there will be power point presentations, the modelling of role play, reflective discussions and helpful handouts.

Number of parents for the program: 10 (sign up quickly!)
Please email the school office if you can commit to the 10 weeks - office@stmarysrcpriory.haringey.sch.uk

Starting Date: Friday 10th October 2025

Every Friday from 2:00pm to 3.15 pm at St Mary's School.

Facilitator: Gloria Jaramillo (School Counsellor).

Hermitage Road, London, N15 5RE

Telephone: 020 8800 9305

office@stmarysrcpriory.haringey.sch.uk



5W's



Dear God,

Please help guide us through this school year. Help us focus on our learning so we can be ambitious and resilient. Help us spread kindness around the school and aid those who might be in the blue or yellow zone. Lord, give us tolerance to respect our peers and understanding of others. Give us strength to be the best student we can be, just as Jesus taught to us.

Amen.

