



St Mary's Priory Catholic Infant and Junior Schools'

School Newsletter

Where great lives begin

Dear Parents and Carers,

17th October 2025

❤ Standing Up to Racism

Today, we proudly joined schools across the country in wearing **red** to show our support and solidarity in the national *Stand Up to Racism* campaign. It was wonderful to see our school community united in such an important cause.

🌾 Harvest Festival Liturgy

We were delighted to welcome **Fr Clive** and many of our parents to our annual **Harvest Festival liturgy**. Thank you for joining us in this special celebration of gratitude and giving.

👪 Parent Evenings

Thank you to all the families who attended our **two parent evenings** earlier this week. Your continued support means so much to us and plays a vital role in your child's learning journey.

Mary's Meals fundraiser

Thank you to all of our families who donated towards our chosen Harvest Festival charity 'Mary's Meals'. You helped us to raise £124 for this cause!

🏰 Year 2 Explore St Thomas More Church

Year 2 visited **St Thomas More Church**, where they explored the sacred space and watched *Jude the Bear* take part in a role-play **Baptism**. The children were full of curiosity and wonder!

🍁 Upcoming Events

🍁 Autumn Mini Fair – Wednesday 22nd October

Children are invited to wear **fancy dress** or **autumnal colours** (reds, oranges, yellows, browns).

School will close slightly earlier at **3:00pm** to kick off the fair.

Join us for **fun, games, and delicious food** – we can't wait to see you there!

❤❤❤ Black History Month Celebration – Friday 24th October

We'll be celebrating **Black History Month** by wearing **Pan-African colours**.

Our choir will perform a song by a **Black artist**, which they've been rehearsing throughout October. We're looking forward to a powerful and joyful assembly!

🥁 African Drumming Workshop – Tuesday

Years 3 and 4 will take part in an **African drumming and singing workshop** next Tuesday. The excitement is building, and we can't wait to hear the rhythms echo through the school!

Warm regards,

Ms Reynolds
Deputy Headteacher

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		
20th October	Deadline for BHM poster competition	All	Bring to class teacher	
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		
24th Oct	Bring in a fruit or vegetable from your home country to celebrate our diverse community at St Mary's!	All		

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WEEKLY MENU

WEEK 1
WEEK 2
WEEK 3



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	THEME DAYS
MAIN	Hot Sin Chicken Stir Fry (CE, MU*, SO, G/W)	Beef Burger (SE*, SO, SJ, G/W)	Roast Chicken & Gravy	Cheese & Tomato Pasta (CE, MK, G/W)	Fish Fingers & Chips (F, G/W)	LOVE BRITISH FOOD
VEGGIE	Hot Sin Quorn & Vegetable Stir Fry (CE, E, MU*, SO, G/W)	Vegetable Burger (SE*, G/W)	Roasted Vegetable Filo Parcel with Homemade Tomato Sauce (G/W)	Mac & Cheese (MK, G/W)	Cheese & Tomato Pinnwheel (MK, G/W)	FESTIVAL OF LIGHT
SIDES	Egg Fried Rice & Stir Fried Greens (E, SO, G/W)	Homemade Potato Wedges with Baked Beans or Green Salad	Rustic Roast Potatoes with Roasted Carrots & Parsnips	Mixed Green Salad & Coleislaw (E)	Beans or Peas	BONFIRE
PASTA & JACKET	Vegan Roasted Vegetable Pasta (G/W)	Jacket & Salad	Tomato & Basil Pasta (CE, G/W)	Jacket & Salad	Mac & Cheese (MK, G/W)	WINTER WONDERLAND
PUD	Yoghurt with Honey & Fruit (MK)	Homemade Chocolate Cookie (E, MK, SO, G/W)	Apple Crumble with Custard (MK, G/W)	Syrup Sponge & Vanilla Sauce (E, MK, SO*, G/W)	Ice Cream with Fresh Fruit (MK)	

DAILY SALAD BAR | HOMEMADE BREAD | FRESH FRUIT

DATES

8 SEP / 29 SEP /
20 OCT / 17 NOV /
8 DEC

ALLERGENS

CE = CELERY F = FISH G/O = OATS L = LUPINE MU = MUSTARD SO = SOYA * = MAY CONTAIN

CR = CRUSTACEAN E = EGGS G/B = GLUTEN G/P = PYE MK = MILK N = NUTS SD = SESAME SEEDS S = SESAME

E = EGGS G/B = BARLEY G/W = WHEAT MO = MOLLUSCS P = PEANUTS SE = SESAME SEEDS S = SEASONAL VEG



Oliver's
Food with joy



Stars of the Week



Class:	Stars:	
Owl Class	Emma	Maison
Robin Class	Tedra	Kweku
Dove Class	Daniel	Evie
3C	Malcolm	Jeronimo
4D	Esther	Emiliano
5W	Georgina	Bernadette
5B	Chimamanda	Jagoda
6J	Drew	Morgan

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



To celebrate Black History Month, 4D's young artists explored the incredible work of **Bisa Butler**, learning how she uses vibrant colours and textiles to tell powerful stories. They then created their own self-portraits in her bold, expressive style- and the results are stunning!



Reminder: Black History Month poster competition entries are due Monday 20th October! See previous newsletter for details.

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Black history month-Bisa Butler-fact file

Later, she learned a masters degree in art education from Montclair State University.

She is known for making colourful quilt portraits that look like paintings.

A class on Fiber art helped her discover her love of quilting. Her nickname is Bisa.

Her quilts are so unique that they've turned quilting into a form of fine art.



Her full name is Maillissa Yamber Butler.

She was born 1973 in Orange, New Jersey, USA.

Her mum was a French teacher.

Her dad is a collage President.

She was the youngest of four kids.

Bisa loved art from a young age and won her first art contest at just 4 years old.

She studied fine art at Howard University, where she learned about famous black artists.



Bisa Butler



2025 **BLACK HISTORY MONTH**
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Rosa Parks





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Year 5 took part
in some invasion
sports at Park
View Secondary
school!

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.





Doves had a lovely morning visiting St Thomas More's Church in Manor House. The children got to explore the Church and even watched "Jude The Bear" take part in a role-play Baptism. Thank you, Father Clive, for a morning of learning and prayer



ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS HALLOWEEN PARTY



FRIDAY 24TH OCTOBER

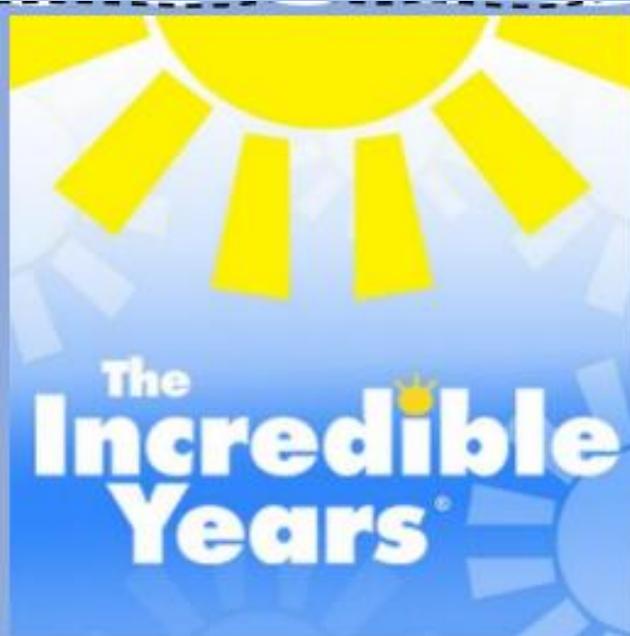
ST THOMAS MORE CHURCH HALL
6PM-8.30PM

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)



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

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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.

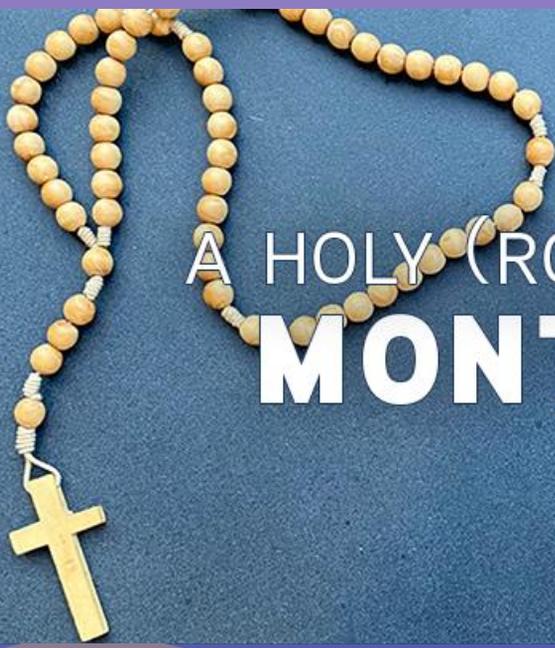
Facilitator: Gloria Jaramillo (School Counsellor).

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A HOLY (ROSARY) MONTH



Hail, Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.
Blessed art thou among
women
and blessed is the fruit of thy
womb, Jesus.
Holy Mary, Mother of God,
pray for us sinners,
now and at the
hour of our death.
Amen.

