

ST. MARY'S & ST JOHN'S C.E. PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Please note that due to unfortunate circumstances, the date and venue of the Carol Service have been changed. New details are below:-

FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER @ 10.00AM

ST MARY'S CHURCH AT THE TOP OF GREYHOUND HILL

All parents are welcome

**TERM ENDS ON FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER AT 2.30.
THE NEW TERM BEGINS ON TUESDAY 5TH JANUARY 2009.
WISHING EVERYBODY A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR**

PARENTMAIL - EMAIL/TEXT MESSAGE SERVICE



We are now using Parentmail on a regular basis to send emails to parents. It is costly to send text messages, so we will be keeping text messaging to a minimum and using this part of the service on an emergency basis only. We regularly update email addresses on Parentmail so if you would like to receive your communication by email rather than by paper please give your details to the school office.

From January we will be sending correspondence such as newsletters by email to all those parents who have provided email addresses and we WILL NOT be duplicating with paper newsletters. This will save the school money and is an environmentally friendly way of communicating to you.

MATERNITY LEAVE

Mrs Treadaway, one of our Assistant Headteachers, will be going on maternity leave very early in the new term. While she is on maternity leave, Miss Schallengbergh will be Acting Assistant Headteacher. Just to remind you our other Assistant Headteacher is Miss Chopra and our Deputy Headteacher is Mr Hogben.

SCHOOL LUNCHES

If your child wishes to change from/to school lunches or packed lunches this can **only** be done at the end of a half term period and must be with written notice. It is not possible to keep changing between school lunches and packed lunches throughout the term. The kitchen have to place orders well in advance and we cannot allow food to be wasted in this way. Additionally, we do not have the administrative time to action constant changes.

Please write to Mrs Hutchings in advance if you would like to change your lunch preference for the Spring term.

If you are entitled to Free School Meals please make sure the office have all the correct documentation, including a FSM form and letter from the benefits office. Please call Mrs Hutchings if you are unsure.

Packed lunches

The government expect schools to ensure that children who bring in lunch to school have a healthy balanced meal. We spend a lot of time encouraging and teaching children how to lead a healthy lifestyle and we pride ourselves in having been awarded 'Healthy Schools Status'.



Please note that no sweets, chocolates or crisps of any type are considered healthy please **DO NOT** put these items into lunch boxes. Water is always available for children so if you do provide a drink please ensure it is not fizzy. Mrs Oelman has asked the meal time supervisors to check to see if children appear to be having an unhealthy packed lunch.

DIARY DATES FOR 2009/2010



Wednesday 9 th December	Year 3 & 4 production 2pm & 7pm
Thursday 10 th December	Year 1 trip to London Zoo
Monday 14 th December	Theatre Company in school
Wednesday 16 th December PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE	Nursery Christmas Sing Song am -10.30, pm 2.15
Friday 18 th December PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE	KS2 Carol Service at St Mary's Church 10am
FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER	TERM ENDS AT 2.30
Monday 4 th January 2010	Inset Day, school closed to Children
Tuesday 5 th January 2010	Children return to school