



St Mary's C of E Primary School Newsletter

Friday 6th January 2023

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Go, shine in the
world and live
as Jesus lived.



Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year and welcome back to school! Please see the attached term dates for 2023-24. We have also adjusted this current year's term dates to show King Charles' Coronation Day on 8th May 2023, which is a new national bank holiday. All schools will be closed on that day in May.

A reminder that after school enrichment clubs start next week for children who have received confirmation letters.

With best wishes, Miss Mitchell (Head of School) and Mr Webb (Executive Headteacher)

St Mary's Golden Rules...

At our school, we value and respect each other. To make sure our school is a place where all children can learn and be safe, our pupils follow our **GOLDEN RULES**...



Do be kind, helpful and polite.

Don't hurt people's feelings by being rude or unkind.

Do be gentle.

Don't hurt or play fight.

Do listen to people and follow instructions.

Don't ignore people or interrupt them.

Do look after our things.

Don't waste or damage things.

Do be honest.

Don't tell lies or cover up the truth.

Do understand it's OK to make mistakes.

Don't laugh at those who are brave enough to have a go.

Do work hard and try your best.

Don't waste time or give up easily.

In school, we teach children our **Golden Rules** all the time and give specific praise whenever we see children following the Golden Rules. In every classroom, children record 'smiles' every time teachers spot them following our Golden Rules. As it is the start of new term, Ms Mitchell and Ms Whiteley reminded the children about our Golden Rules in assembly this week.

Please talk to your child at home about the Golden Rules - they are useful in all areas of life, too! Many parents tell us that they find the Golden Rules useful at home. Praise and reward your child when they follow the Golden Rules :)



We sent you a letter this week about the steep rise in children aged 0 - 14 being admitted to hospital with flu.

The government has issued advice that any child with a fever should stay at home and not attend school until the fever (high temperature 38C or more) has passed and they feel well enough to be in school.

Flu and coronavirus (COVID-19) are currently circulating at high levels and are likely to continue to increase in coming weeks. High numbers of scarlet fever, which is caused by group A streptococcus, also continue to be reported.

Children with mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat, or mild cough, who are otherwise well should still attend school.

Do you have any questions about school life?

We are of course, really happy to answer any questions about school, no matter how small :)

Do phone the school office to ask questions or ask to arrange an appointment to see the class teacher.

If you are worried about something, see us straight away. Don't let a little worry turn in to a big one. We also like to hear your good news. It helps to keep us going with a smile :)

Important dates for your diary.....

Monday 9th January — After-school enrichment clubs start



Friday 13th January— 9.05am—Friends of St Mary's meeting

Friday 27th January — Non uniform day

Friday 27th January — KS1 Movie Afternoon (1.30pm-3.15pm) and KS2 Movie Night (3.30pm-5.15pm)

Monday 13th February-Friday 17th February—Half Term
Monday 20th February— Children back at school

Thursday 23rd February — Non uniform day

Friday 24th February — Academic Review Day
parents attend school at their appointment time to meet the teacher and receive their child's report

An important deadline—Tell your friends!

If you or someone you know would like a place in Nursery or Reception class for September 2023 then **applications must be made by 15th January 2023. Do not miss the deadline!**

Applications to Reception must be made through eadmissions.org.uk by 15th January 2023 and a separate school application form handed in. If your child is currently in St Mary's Nursery then **you must still apply**. Please remind other parents about applying for Reception if this applies to their child. Encourage them to name our lovely school!

Applications to Nursery must be made directly to the school by **15th January 2023**.

An admissions policy and application form can be picked up from the school office or on our website www.stmarykilburn.camden.sch.uk.

Do phone the office on **020 7372 6565** if you have any questions. **We are always happy to help :-)**



Movie Afternoon and Movie Night... Friday 27th January in the school hall

Rec, Y1 & Y2 1.30pm-3.15pm
Y3—Y6 3.30pm-5.15pm

A great movie along with hotdogs, popcorn and a drink!

Please make a donation of £2.00 on the day (All funds raised go to the charity The Children's Society, showing our values of compassion and community.)

Children can bring in a comfy cushion from home to sit on and/or a blanket to cuddle up with.



Friends of St Mary's...

We will be holding a **Friends of St Mary's** meeting on **Friday 19th January at 9.05am** in the school hall for any parent who would like to help out with Movie Afternoon and Movie Night.

We look forward to seeing any parents who would like to help at the meeting.



Person of the Week!

Reception - Martin
Year 1 - Leah
Year 2 - Nora
Year 3 - Gerald
Year 4 - Maryam
Year 5 - Mohammed
Year 6 – Ledri

Work of the Week...



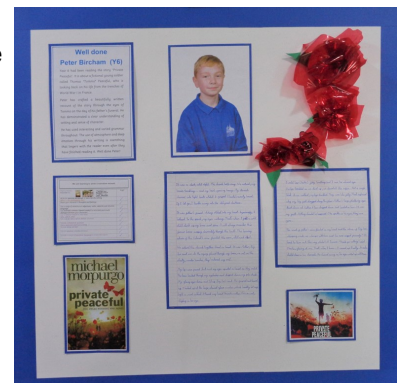
Every week a great piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby.

As part of Year 6's English learning they have been reading *Private Peaceful* by Michael Morpurgo.

Peter has written fantastic recount of the story told from the perspective of the character Tommo.

Peter has used different grammatical features to convey atmosphere and emotion.

Well done, Peter!



Our Prayer of the week...

Happy New Year to all of our school community.

Loving God

Another term begins and at school
Learning and working together.

Bless our school, our home from home.
Keep us safe and well.

Bless all of our pupils, and Keep us on the right path.
Bless our teachers and support staff
Who look after us to grow in knowledge and skills.

Amen



St Mary's CE Primary School Term Dates 2023-2024

Autumn term 2023

4 th & 5 th September 2023	INSET DAYS pupils not in school
6 th September 2023	Pupils back at school
15 th September 2023	Academic Review Day (Nursery and Reception class do not attend school for this)
Half term	23 rd October – 27 th October 2023
End of term	21 st December 2023 Pupil attendance (71 days)

Spring Term 2024

8 th January 2024	Pupils back at school
Half term	12 th February – 16 th February 2024
23 rd February 2024	Academic Review Day
End of Term	28 th March 2024 (53 days)

Summer Term 2024

15 th April 2024	Pupils back at school
6 th May 2024	May Day Bank Holiday-school closed
Half Term	27 th May – 31 st May 2024
5 th July 2024	Academic Review Day
End of Term	24 th July 2024 (66 days)

(Total 190 days pupil attendance)