



# St Mary's C of E Primary School Newsletter

Thursday 10th September 2020  
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Go, shine in the world and live as Jesus lived, with compassion, honesty and integrity.



Dear Parents and carers,

We have been welcoming Reception and Nursery children starting school this week. They have settled in so well and have enjoyed learning with their teachers and friends.

Tomorrow, parents and children in Year 1—6 will come to school for their Academic Review Day meetings with class teachers. Please arrive shortly before your meeting and maintain appropriate social distancing between families and staff while waiting for your appointment. We look forward to seeing many of you tomorrow.

Best wishes from Mr Webb and Mrs Jackson

## Learning from home for children unable to come to school

If your child is absent because they must self-isolate due to them or someone in the household having coronavirus symptoms, we have provided Learning From Home activities so that children do not miss out on learning while they are not at school. This can be found on the school website under the tab Learning From Home.

[www.stmarykilburn.camden.sch.uk/learning-from-home](http://www.stmarykilburn.camden.sch.uk/learning-from-home)

If we go into a lockdown situation of school closure or if your child's whole class is advised to isolate at home, then we will provide taught sessions through Google Classroom. However, the learning from home activities on the website will provide a range of learning resources which can also be used.

## Nursery and Reception children settle in to school!



## Childcare for working parents after school

As local after school childcare providers have let us down, we are doing our best to put in place childcare provision for working parents.

We hope to have childcare for working parents until 6.00pm every day in place by Monday 21st September. We understand this is frustrating for parents who need this because of work.

Please read the letter we sent out today and respond to the school office by Tuesday 15th September if you are a working parent who would like to request a place at childcare until 6.00pm.

## School lunches

We are being very careful to follow the government guidelines on coronavirus to keep children safe.

This means children stay in their consistent class groups as much as possible. For this reason, lunch is being eaten in the classroom as classes cannot mix together to eat lunch in the hall.

This means that lunches are prepared and packed in a bag for children to eat easily at their desk. We have emailed you the school 'Lunch in a bag' menu for this term.

Please help us to manage lunches correctly by choosing whether your child will have a school 'Lunch in a bag' or bring their own packed lunch from home. Children cannot change day by day. If you would like to change for this half term, please inform the school office.

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.....



**Friday 11th September** - Academic Review Day—Pupils in Year 1—6 attend for their appointment only. Nursery and Reception do not attend.

**Friday 25th September**—Non Uniform Day—Bring £1 for charity to wear your own clothes.

**Friday 23rd October**—Non-uniform day—Bring £1 for charity to wear your own clothes.

**Monday 26th October—Friday 30th October**—School closed for half term break

**Friday 18th December** - Last day of term

## Physical activity lessons

We are being very careful to follow the government guidelines on coronavirus to keep children safe. All PE activities will be non-contact and will not involve sharing of equipment.

This term, children will take part in 30 minutes of teacher-led physical activity every day. During these active sessions, the children will keep moving and increase their fitness levels. Children do not need to wear PE kit for this at the moment.

## Work of the Week...

Every week a fantastic piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office).

Year 6 have been Skellig by David Almond about a mysterious man who has wings. Pupils have been looking at the descriptive language used by the author and have written their own setting descriptions.



Max wrote a vivid description of the garage where Skellig is found, using powerful adjectives and well-crafted sentences.

**Well done Max!**

## Saints of the Week!

Year 1 - Nokha  
Year 2 - Grace  
Year 3 - Mhamed  
Year 4 - Vrinda  
Year 5 - Tommy  
Year 6 - Chantel

## What to do if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus

If your child is displaying symptoms of coronavirus at home or is sent home by the Head of school with coronavirus symptoms, you must arrange a test for them immediately and inform the school of the result.

Children displaying symptoms will not be able to return to school without being tested.

- 1) To arrange a test you should visit [nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test](https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test)
- 2) **DO NOT WAIT!** Your child should be tested on the same day they are showing symptoms, or the next day at the latest.
- 3) Please let the Head of School (Mr Webb) know immediately when you receive the result of your child's coronavirus test by calling the school office on **0207 372 6565**
- 4) If your child tests positive for coronavirus, you will receive a text, email or phone call from NHS that explains what your result is and what you need to do next.
- 5) If your child tests negative for coronavirus, your child can return to school.

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)



new and continuous cough

or



high temperature

or



loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

## Our prayer...

Father God,

Thank you for your love for me.  
Please give me wisdom to know how to act when I fall out with someone.  
Please help me to disagree well.

Amen