

St Mary's C of E Primary **School Newsletter**

Friday 25th September 2020 www.stmarykilburn.camden.sch.uk

Go, shine in the world and live as Jesus lived, with compassion, honesty and integrity.

Dear Parents and carers.

Please help us by keeping your 2 metre distance from all staff and other parents, if you can, as you drop off or collect your child. If you find that a 2 metre distance is not possible, please consider wearing a face covering to help others feel comfortable. Only one parent or carer should be collecting or dropping off. Please arrive at the correct time and don't wait around to socialise with other parents. This will help us to keep everyone safe. Thank-you for your help

Best wishes from Mr Webb and Mrs Jackson

Managing a confirmed case of coronavirus

As you know, we had our first confirmed positive case of Covid-19 this week where we had to send a class home to self-isolate. Self-isolation means that the child must not leave their home until the self-isolation period ends. The



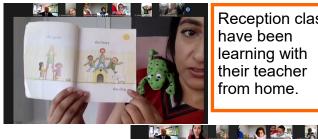




NHS

should not go out with their parent to drop off or collect brothers and sisters; go to the shops; or visit other family. We will need to get used to self-isolating where directed as it is very likely that there will be more positive cases as the year goes on. We must all do all we can to reduce the risk of Covid transmission.

We have worked closely with the Public Health team and followed all guidance. The decision to send a class home as a precaution is taken by Public Health. Their guidance was clear that other household members of children in the class do not need to self-isolate. So brothers and sisters can still come to school as long as they do not show symptoms. Anyone who develops symptoms must not come to school and their whole household must then self-isolate.



Reception class have been learning with their teacher from home.

They are having daily lessons in phonics, maths and literacy through Zoom.





Parents/carers dropping off and collecting

A reminder that government guidance is that only one parent or carer should bring your child to school and pick them up. We know that some families like to have both parents at these times but from next week we will be asking that only one parent enters the school gates at drop off and pick

up. We must all do all we can to reduce the risk of Covid transmission.







Pat, the local lollipop lady, who has helped many families from St Mary's cross the road safely over the years, has retired.

We wish her all the best in her retirement and thank her for the years of service she gave in helping keep children safe.

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.....

Tuesday 29th September—Visitor to school—Year 5 history workshop on Vikings in Britain



Learning Centre

Tuesday 6th October - Visitor to school— Judaism workshops for all classes 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

Homework on Google Classroom

We are pleased that after some technical issues which have now been resolved, homework has been set for Year 1—6 through Google Classroom this week.

Children have been taught in school how to use this for their homework.

As is always the case, there will likely be some teething issues so please let us know if anything is not working so that we can look at fixing this. Children have their Google Classroom login in their Reading Record book.

Work of the Week...

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

Year 4 are Reading Tales Told In Tents by Sally Pomme Clayton

Marsha has created her own retelling of 'The Carpet of Dreams' from a different character's perspective. She used vivid description and great imagination.







Person of the Week!

Reception - Johanne

Year 1 - Leart

Year 2 - Carita

Year 3 - Ernie

Year 4 - Brielle-Zahra

Year 5 - Malika

Year 6 - Luca

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.

- To arrange a test you should visit nhs.uk/ ask-for-a-coronavirus-test
- 2) **DO NOT WAIT!** Your child should be tested on the <u>same day</u> they are showing symptoms, or the next day at the latest.
- 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.
- 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



high temperature



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

Our prayer...

This week's Gospel assembly was based from Matthew 20:1-16
Loving Father,

As we make our way through life, Let us help one another to follow the path that leads to your heavenly kingdom.

Grant this in the name of Christ our Lord.

Amen