

St Mary's News



10th September 2021

Welcome Back!

What a busy first week and a half of school! All of the children have settled beautifully and we were particularly delighted to welcome our youngest children into the Nursery and Reception classes this week. Miss England, Mrs Foster and the whole team have commented on how well the Early Years children have adapted to their new school routine; making new friends, being independent and confidently starting their learning – well done Nursery and Reception classes!

Key stage 1 and 2 are well into the throes of their “back to school” routine with a clear focus on their learning. This week we had the joy of Key Stage assemblies – it was a true delight to have a group of children in the hall after such a long time. Well done everyone for a super start – let’s keep it up!

School Uniform

The children are looking incredibly smart in their uniform this term – thank you. May I remind you that the school tie is to be worn if your child has chosen to wear the winter uniform. Also, our PE kit is plain blue/black shorts with a plain white t shirt.

Meet the Teacher

Our “Meet the Teacher” event will be going ahead this year. YR – Y6 will meet in the hall enabling us to meet face to face but to remain socially distant. Nursery class will meet in the Nursery, again allowing everyone to maintain social distancing.

Y6 –	16th September	3.30pm – 4pm
Y5 –	15th September	3.30pm – 4pm
Y4 –	13th September	3.30pm – 4pm
Y3 –	17th September	3.30pm – 4pm
Y2 –	20th September	3.30pm – 4pm
Y1 –	24th September	3.30pm – 4pm
Reception	–22nd September	3.30pm – 4pm
Nursery	–22nd September	3.30pm – 4pm (in the Nursery)

We look forward to welcoming you.

COVID-19

COVID 19 still remains a part of our lives and it is important that as we take these gradual steps back to “normality” we are mindful of this. Whilst in school some things have changed, lots of things have remained the same; children are still taking part in their lessons within their own classrooms with their own classmates; they are still washing their hands at the crucial points of the day. At lunchtime children only sit with their class and our heightened cleaning regimes remain in place. Staggered entrances have worked well and it has been wonderful to be able to welcome families on site at the end of the school day. We will continue to be mindful and use our common sense and good judgement as we continue through the autumn term. Should we need to adjust our procedures we will, in line with government guidance as always. Please find our COVID 19 Risk Assessment on our school [website](#).

Family Tapestries

On Monday 13th September your child will bring home their Family Tapestry; strong parent partnerships and great relationships are the key to success and a vital part of this is knowing each other well. By completing the Family Tapestry, we are able to find out a little more about your child and your family – in turn you will find out a little more about us on the reverse!

All Family Tapestries are due back to school by Friday 24th September – thank you for your support in this and I'm thoroughly looking forward to reading them.

I wish everyone a peaceful weekend – enjoy the milder weather!

Kind regards



Mrs V L McBrown
Interim Headteacher

Dear God,

Bless our school as we start this new year together
Let compassion, honesty and respect live here.

Fill our hearts with love so that we can show
kindness, friendship and forgiveness

As we are learning, caring and growing together
in the spirit of Christ's love.

Amen.

