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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Today marks the end of another school year at St Mary's. It has been a tremendously rewarding year and I would like to thank everyone for their hard work and support. The year has flown by as we continue to watch the children grow and flourish.

Our Y6 children left us yesterday to move onto the next stage of their lives. It is an exciting time for them but they may also feel a little apprehensive as they embark on their new journey. I wish them all the very best of luck and I encourage them to return back to St Mary's to tell us all about their new schools.

We say goodbye to Mrs Harkin, who retires this year. She has been a valued member of the teaching team at St Mary's for 13 years but has decided to step back to spend valued time with her family.

I would like to thank the Parent's Association for all their hard work and the support that they continuously give to St Mary's. We could not manage without them.

I would like to thank all the staff who have given a great deal of extra time over the past year. We are a team and everyone plays a huge role. Thank you for their support and kindness.

I wish all families a restful Summer holiday and I look forward to seeing everyone on Friday 2nd September at 8.55am.

Kind regards
Mr J Sims
Headteacher



WEEK BEGINNING 1st SEPTEMBER

Thursday 1st September
Inset Day for Staff Training

Friday 2nd September
Children return to school in full uniform - 8.55am

Stay and Play for the new Reception children.

8.55am – 10am

OR

11am – 12.15pm

Parents have been notified of their specific time slot.

Monday 5th September

The new Reception and Nursery children start school on a staggered basis. Times and dates have been emailed to all parents but if you have any questions, please contact the main office.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 12th September

Reception children at school all day (8.55am – 3.15pm)

After school clubs will resume this week

Tuesday 13th September

Class Mass – 6N – Convent of Mercy

Thursday 4th September

Y4 - Swimming lessons begin for Y4 children in The Eltham Centre

**END OF TERM AWARDS
CELEBRATING ACHIEVEMENT**

Class A	Jago, Olivia
Class B	Oscar, Karissa
Class C	Fraqnk, Charlie
Class D	Connor G, Nathania
Class E	Bobby, Sienna
Class F	Nel, Gianluca
Class G	Sammy, Valentina
Class H	Daniel, Hanna
Class I	Bertie, Gabriella
Class J	Fletcher, Mary
Class K	Leon, Daria
Class L	Matas, Roniyah
Class M	Oliver, Lily
Class N	Freddie, Eva

**END OF TERM AWARDS
CELEBRATING SCHOOL
VALUES**

Class A	Ruben, Izabella
Class B	Harry, Anabelle
Class C	Oliver, Luna
Class D	Zicora, Sydney
Class E	Harry, Connie
Class F	Logan, Emily
Class G	Zorian, Angelina
Class H	Sean, Betsy
Class I	Barney, Hettie
Class J	Oliver, Alice
Class K	Kyle, Lilah
Class L	Thomas, Nancy
Class M	Liam, Daisy
Class N	Jacob, Olivia I

**END OF TERM AWARDS
PSHE**

Class A	Clara/Woody
Class B	Samuel
Class C	Florence
Class D	Leon
Class E	Hugo
Class F	Lenny
Class G	Grace
Class H	Ruby
Class I	Zacary
Class J	Mia
Class K	Teddy
Class L	Betty
Class M	Treasure
Class N	Maya

ATTENDANCE

Please look the table below to see your child's class attendance for this year. Well done to Classes 4J and 5K for gaining the highest percentage - 98%. Attendance at school is very important for all children so please ensure that all holidays are taken during the school holiday, not during term time.

THURSDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2021 – THURSDAY 21st JULY 2022

RA	RB	1C	1D	2E	2F	3G	3H	4I	4J	5K	5L	6M	6N
95%	96%	97%	96%	95%	97%	96%	97%	96%	98%	98%	96%	97%	96%

The following gained 100% attendance this year so very well done to the children and their parents. A marvellous achievement:

Class A	Izabella, Jack
Class C	Winnie, Francis,
Class D	Leah, Zicora
Class E	Coby, Connie
Class F	Isla, Kaison, Donata, Alyssa
Class G	Sicily
Class H	Isabella
Class J	Mia, Rafe, Fletcher, Mary-Eva, Daniel
Class K	Ivonna, Isaac, Jameson, Dante
Class L	Simon, Jaden, Ava
Class M	Jessica
Class N	Freddy

MESSAGE FROM THE PA

The Parents' Association would like to thank all families for all their support this year and they look forward to the next academic year when a new timetable of events will be organised. If, after attending any of the events this year, you feel you would like to join the group, please email stmaryspaeltham@gmail.com.

CHANGE TO THE WAY PARENTS PURCHASE SCHOOL UNIFORM

Parents will have received an email earlier this week to tell them about the changes to the way parents can purchase school uniform.

St Mary's has partnered with **JK Clothing, 148 Well Hall Road, London SE9 6SN** who will stock all of our uniform from **Monday 25th July**. It will no longer be available from the school office.

Uniform can be bought online or in store:

<https://www.jkclothing.net/>

In line with the [Cost of School Uniform Guidance](#), we have ensured that our new supplier stocks uniform that is affordable for all families.

Furthermore, we have identified only certain items that need to be branded (with the St Mary's logo) to keep costs down. There are generic items in our uniform that can be purchased at any store should parents wish to compare costs.

Parents in receipt of Pupil Premium Free School Meals should contact the main office to speak to Mrs Jeffrey regarding school uniform.

To support families, we will continue to ensure that second-hand uniforms are available which helps reduce waste and brings down emissions from manufacturing new garments, while making it cost-effective for families.

We will be holding a second hand uniform sale on Monday 18th July from 2.30pm so please come along to see what is on sale. There is some new and very good quality items for sale.

HOLIDAY CLUBS IN ROYAL BOROUGH GREENWICH

Please click on the following link to see the various free and funded Summer clubs for children over the Summer holiday.

[Holiday Food and Fun Summer 2022 | Royal Borough of Greenwich \(royalgreenwich.gov.uk\)](#)

There is a fabulous Tour de France event on the Greenwich Peninsula this coming weekend (23-24 July 2022) with food and activities for young, old and everyone in between.

Sustrans' are hosting a number of cycling activities, for example, you can get your bicycle checked out at the Dr Bike session, or practice your cycle skills if you need a boost in both skills and confidence and there are led rides taking you to along the beautiful Thames Path to explore the Peninsula's maritime history and art trails. Other fun cycling activities are Disco Bike and getting creative making jewellery using old parts from bikes.

Please note that you will have to pre-book some sessions.

For more details please [click here](#)

To find out more about Sustrans, please [click here](#)

ESAFETY

The summer holidays are full of opportunities. It is uplifting for children and young people to have a change from the restrictions of their normal weekly timetable – and with the whole holiday to enjoy, there is lots of time to fill. Of course, the challenge for parents and carers is to find activities that are not only educational but will prove popular with young people! There are many options for children so parents please ensure all the safety features are active and limit your child's usage. The Summer holiday is a great time for children to be outdoors, enjoying the fine weather and limiting screen time.

It is all about balance.

SCHOOL VALUES: FAITH, MERCY, TRUTH, RESPECT, RESILIENCE, LOVE