St Mary's Weekly 'Every Child Flourishing'







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Friday 23rd September

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this newsletter finds you well. We hope that the changes to the entering school have helped ease the mass of people gathered on the drive. The school day ends as normal at 3.15pm and the gates open between 3.10-3.20pm for home time. We also loved having parents in for our first celebration assembly on Friday. We are inviting parents in of pupils who receive a special mention to the Friday afternoon assembly. Pupils who receive reading and maths awards will not have their awards shared with parents prior to the assembly and will bring these home on the day.

School Uniform and PE Kits

All pupils must come to school in correct uniform- the uniform policy was shared on the newsletter last week and is on the website. Children should be wearing white shirts to school. Polo t-shirts are not school uniform and should only be worn in PE. Also, t shirts, sweatshirts and jogging bottoms for PE should be plain navy or black. Children in sweatshirts with large logos on will be asked to remove them as they are not in line with our uniform policy. We have a bank of pre-loved uniform in school for any families that need this for free. Thank you again to the families who have donated outgrown uniform to school. Please contact us if you need any support from us.

Please ensure that all uniform including PE kits have names in them so we return any lost items.

Nut allergy

We do have children in school with severe nut allergies. We are a nut free school and children mut not bring any nut-based foods into school for snack or for lunch. This also includes Nutella.

Flu Immunisations

Please complete the flu immunisation form online if you would like your child to receive this in school. The letters went out last week with the School code on, if you require another copy please let the Office know.

Illness and Appointments

If your child has a medical appointment in school time, a leave of absence form is not required. A letter or text must be shown as evidence of appointment to the School Office.

Illness – If your child will be absent from School please ring the School as soon as possible to notify of absence, this has to be done every day of the absence - there is an automated voice mail as well to leave a voice message.

Diary Dates

DIARY DATES- Here are some useful dates for your diaries...

SEPTEMBER

Year 5/6 Football Tuesdays 3.15 – 4.15 - 13th, 20th, 27th

Art Club Tuesdays 3.15 - 4.15 - 13th, 20th, 27th

Year 3/4 Football Thursdays 3.15 - 4.15 - 13th, 20th, 27th

Year 5 author event on Zoom with Aisha Bushby 28th

OCTOBER

Book Fayre Week starts 3rd October – 6th October

Year 3 author event on Zoom with Sophie Henn 4th

Year 3 library visit

Individual Photos – Tuesday 4th October (If you would like sibling photos, with siblings who are not in school, please arrive at 8:30am to the main school reception. Siblings who are in school will have these taken in school time.)

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Wear Yellow for Mental Health Day – 10th October

Year 6 author event on Zoom with Phil Earle 14th

Harvest Festival Mass in School – 20th October - children only

Autumn Disco 21th October in school time

Last day before half term 21th October

NOVEMBER

Flu Immunisations Tuesday 1st Nov – please see form sent 15/09/2022 for online consent

Year 6 Crucial Crew Trip - Weds 2nd Nov (Details shared nearer the time)

Year 2 author event on Zoom with Alex Willmore 2nd

ParentPay lunch payments - September 2022

Due to an update of the systems, we use in School for meal charges for those that pay for School dinners, there has been a delay in processing charges. All School lunches will be back dated to the 5th of September 2022. This update will be over the next few days so there may be an increase in your debt due. If you have any queries, please contact the office on 01226 206422. Please ensure any debts are cleared and are maintained with a credit on the account in line with School policy.

Thank you for your continued support and we hope the changes to the morning will help families have a smooth start to the day.

Yours sincerely,

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