



# St Mary's Newsletter

Friday 15th September 2017



**"Pupils' learning is now at the heart of everything they do."**  
Ofsted September 2012



Dear Parents and Carers,

Children have had their first full week back at school and are showing excellent respect for each other, their learning and the St Mary's Way –well done everyone!

St Mary's has shown the British Value of democracy as children elected their Year 6 Young Leaders for this school year. Well done to all the Year 6 children who gave speeches, they were impressive. Our Chair of Governors, Eric, was delighted to see how well behaved children were and organised as the elections took place when he visited classes last week. Our Year 6 school Prefects, Samir and Millie, assisted Mr Venn, teachers and children this morning in our Celebration Assembly and will contribute to the school newsletter to share with families who our 'Hall of Fame' children are. Thank you Samir and Millie – great job supporting staff and children in the assembly this morning.

Thank you to all who were able to attend the 'Meet the Teacher' meetings this week. If you were unable to attend, our teachers will soon add the presentation from their meeting onto their class page on our school website and they will be happy to chat with you if you need any help with the new class routines.

Have a peaceful weekend,  
*Miss Prayag*



The St Mary's Way



## Year 6 Prefects News

Hall of Fame children this week are :

The whole of Reception

Year 1 :Ava      Year 2: Zackery

Year 3: Poppy      Year 4: Lola

Year 5: Kayne      Year 6: Olivia Mccann

WELL DONE EVERYONE—By: YEAR 6 PREFECTS MILLIE AND SAMIR



## Safe Collections

Dear Parents and Carers,

Keeping children safe is of great importance to us here at St Mary's school.

We would like to take the opportunity to remind you of some procedures which we have in place in order to ensure that our children are safe.



- Your child is **your responsibility** before the bell rings at 8.55am – please do **not allow** them to play on the play structures in the playground or with playground equipment.
  - Please do not allow your child to **ride their scooters, bikes, skateboards etc** through the playground.
  - Once the school bell rings please ensure that your child **joins their class line**.
  - It is important that you encourage your child to go into their classroom **independently** to put away their school bag and coat. Parents and carers do not need to go into the classroom to do this.
  - If your child is going to be late for school in the morning then **please contact the school office**.
  - If your child is late for school then please ensure that you bring them into school and register their arrival with a staff member at the **Late Gate**. Please do not leave them 'to run in by themselves'.
  - Please be **prompt at the end of the school day**, if you are running late then please contact the school office on 020 7359 1870 to inform us.
- We operate a secure collection for Reception and Keystage 1. Children stay in their classrooms and are only dismissed once the parent/carer is sighted by a staff member at their child's class designated collection point.
- Reception class children are collected from their class fence. Parents and carers are reminded to stand on the outside of the Reception fence.
  - Years 1 and 2 are collected from outside their classroom. Parents and carers are reminded to stand outside the classroom but away from the steps.
  - Once your child's classteacher can see you outside of the classroom then they will call your child's name.
  - Keystage 2 children are collected from their class line. Children in years 5 and 6 must have a signed 'walk home' form before they are allowed to leave independently.
- We kindly ask that if you wish to speak with your child's classteacher then please wait until all of the children have been dismissed.
- Please **do not attempt to collect other people's children**, unless they have telephoned the school to inform us or given prior permission you will not be allowed.

Thank you for your support, Mrs Mayende (Designated Safeguarding Lead)

**"But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control..." Galatians 5:22-23**



## Jeans for Genes Day



St. Mary's Church of England Primary School will be taking part in this year's **Jeans for Genes Day** on **Friday 22 September**.

Research shows that 1 in 25 children has a genetic disorder that makes their life very difficult. That's one in every class. Simply by wearing our jeans and donating, we will change the lives of these children.

All children and staff are invited to wear their jeans on **Friday 22 September**. We'd like everyone to take part so please send your child into school on the day wearing their jeans and with a £1 donation.

Jeans for Genes Day have a series of powerful 5 minute films to explain how your child's donation will make a difference. Each film provides a compelling and personal insight, introducing some amazing children living with genetic disorders, sharing first-hand what life is like with their condition. Please visit [jeansforgenes.org/getinspired](http://jeansforgenes.org/getinspired) for more information and to view these films.

If you'd like to find out more about how our support will help, please visit their website at [jeansforgenes.org](http://jeansforgenes.org)

### Year 6 Secondary School Applications

If your child is in Year 6 remember to make your online application before the 31st of October. The admissions team at 222 Upper Street will help if online assistance is required. All secondary schools run open days for you to go and look around them. Check out dates on their websites.

### New Reception Class 2017/18

Next week the last of our new Reception children start school. We will then have a full class.

We wish them all the best!



## After School Clubs Autumn 2017



I am pleased to share with you the clubs which we have on offer for the **AUTUMN TERM 2017**. Please read the clubs on offer carefully. KS1 & KS2 clubs will be joint with a maximum of 20 children. The cost is **£25** for the block of sessions, please note this will include any bank holidays, insets or school closures. Clubs will run for **10 weeks**, starting the week **beginning Monday 18<sup>th</sup> September**, with the **last week** of clubs being **Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2017**. There are no clubs in the last 3 weeks of the Autumn term which is the **4<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> December**.

**All clubs start at 3.30pm and end at 4.30pm.**

The club registers open for **sign up on THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup> September**. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis. You can pay using the online School Money system (with your password) or at the office.

	Clubs KS1 (years 1 & 2) & KS2 (years 3, 4, 5 & 6)	Led By
Monday	<b>Fun Club</b> (board games, art, Reading, Ipad)	Miss Natalie
	<b>**KS2 only** Coding Club</b> (ICT skills)	Miss Kennedy, Ms Silim, Miss Coates and Ms Begum
Tuesday	<b>Sports Club</b> (multi skills from a range of sports)	Coach Nathaniel with Mr Michael/ Miss Natalie
Wednesday	<b>Brazilian Football</b>	Tyrone
Thursday	<b>Computer Club</b> (fun learning games)	Mr Michael
Friday	<b>Homework Club</b> (A nice quiet learning environment to do some of their homework)	Mr Dawson, Mr Cota, Miss McCaughey and Miss Williams