



St Mary's Newsletter

Friday 6th September 2019



'In striving for academic excellence, you have also focused on creating an atmosphere that is described as 'giving a heart' to the school. This ensures that pupils not only achieve well in reading, writing and mathematics, but also that they learn to respect and understand each other.'

Ofsted September 2017

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to school - it's lovely to see you all back again. We hope you all enjoyed a lovely summer holiday.

We are delighted welcome Mr McLaughlin (Y4 teacher), Miss Mann (Reception teacher), Mr Sime (Y3 teacher) and Miss Sonmez (Home School Support) to our St Mary's Staff team.

Over the summer holidays lots of work went on, including the installation of new KS1 veranda railings and painting the school corridors.

We look forward to continued partnerships with all of our families as we work together to support children to achieve the best they can and to show the school values in their learning and behaviour.

We wish you all the best for this new school year.

God bless,

Miss Prayag and the St Mary's Staff

Children look very smart in their school uniforms, well done and thank you to all our families.

There is a lost property box in the school foyer, please ask at the school office should you need to recover lost items.

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Diary Dates



Monday 20th September- Jeans for Genes Day

Monday 23th September- Macmillian Coffee Morning

Tuesday 24th September- Individual & sibling Photographs

Wednesday 25th **September -** Y6 Swimming Lessons Start

Thursday 3rd October - Harvest Service at St Stephen's Church @ 9.45am

Meet the Teacher sessions next week

As always, our teachers and staff would love to meet you early in the year to share the new class learning, expectations and routines with you.

Please note when your class meeting is:

Year 6: Wednesday 11th September at 9:05.am

Year 5: Tuesday 10th September at 9:05.am

Year 4: Thursday 12th September at 3:00pm

Year 3: Thursday 12th September at 9:05.am

Year 2: Wednesday 11th September at 3:00pm

Year 1: Tuesday 10th September at 3:00.pm

We look forward to seeing you there!

After School Clubs

Letters went out today to sign up for our after school clubs which start the week of the 16th September.

As before, the clubs run for 10 weeks at the low cost, of £25 for the term.

Families are also welcome to sign up to external providers for before or afterschool childcare, should longer childcare provision be required.

The school office will be happy to signpost you to them.



New Reception Class

Next week we welcome our new Reception Children to St Mary's School

We look forward to seeing them all.

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Well done to all the families on getting the children to school for the 8:55am bell and collecting them promptly at 3:30pm. Keep up the good work!

Good school attendance is one of the main factors in determining children's future and opportunity in life. By supporting children's education we are giving them a better chance for a successful future! Good attendance is 96% and above.

Gulseren Sonmez SHS Practitioner





Year 6 Secondary School Applications



If your child is in Year 6 remember to make your online application before the **31st of October 2019**. 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.

You can apply from 1 September 2019 until 31 October 2019. Applications made by the deadline are 'on time' and will be processed before 'late' applications made after this deadline.

We strongly recommend that you submit your application by Friday 18 October 2019 (the week before half term) in case there are any issues with submitting your application (e.g. problems with internet access, forgotten username or password etc.).

You will need an email address to be able to set up an account, once you have an email account, you will need to log onto www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app

Once you have done this, you will receive an email explaining how to make your application.

We will be holding an information session to help you with the process on **Tuesday 15th October at 2:15pm**

A member of the Islington Admissions Team, will be here to talk you through the process.

Reception 2020 Applications

You can apply from September 2019 until 15 January 2020. Applications made by the deadline are 'ontime' and will be processed before 'late' applications made after this deadline. You will need an email address to apply, once you have that, log on to:

www.eadmissions.org.uk/eAdmissions/app

And register your email address. Once you have done this, you will receive an email explaining how to make your application.

Reminders

Birthday Cakes

If you want to bring in a cake for your child's Birthday, please ensure it is cut into the correct amount of pieces for the class, (and preferably wrapped in a napkin).



The T.A's cannot leave the classroom to cut cakes as they are supporting learning in class. Please remember NO NUTS.

P.E. Kits

Please ensure your child has their full P.E. kit in school at all times, (this includes pumps/trainers).



They can bring it in on Monday and take it home on Friday to be washed.

Packed Lunch

If your child has a packed lunch, please make sure that they bring it in with them in the morning as we have to inform the kitchen of dinner numbers.



Late Collection

If you are going to be late collecting your child at the end of the day or if someone else is collecting your child, please inform the office.



Thank you

Coffee Morning



Our Monday coffee mornings start again on Monday 9th September.

Coffee Morning is every Monday from 9am until 9.30am. This is a wonderful time for parents and carers to socialise together over tea, coffee and biscuits.

Please do come along, Mrs Sutton our HLTA is looking forward to seeing you all.

Save the date! Monday 23th September we will be holding the Macmillan Coffee morning.





Please ensure that you inform the office if you have changed your telephone numbers or address.





