



Date: Friday 23rd March 2018

Dear Parent/Carers,

CONGRATULATION'S ST MARY'S

We have received a letter from The Rt Hon Nick Gibb MP, congratulating us on our 2017 KS2 results which have placed the school in the top 2% of schools in England in terms of the progress between KS1 and end of KS2. This is a tremendous accolade for the children and staff.

Well done everyone!



ECO CLUB – GIANT WALK TO SCHOOL

Our Giant Spring Walk from Barnes Park to school will take place on **Wednesday, 28th March 2018**.

Please meet outside the Barnes Park café at 8.10am.

All children must be accompanied by an adult. We hope to see you there.

EGGBOLA COFFEE MORNING

Thank you very much for all your kind donations for the Eggbola and to everyone who joined us for coffee. The choir sang beautifully and the musicians gave an excellent performance.



Unicef - Article 14

All children have the right to think and believe what they want, and to practice their religion.

EASTER LITURGIES

KS2 will be having their Easter Liturgies this week, Year group parents are welcome to join us.

Tues 27th March 9.15am & 3.00pm – **Year 4**

Wed 28th March 9.15am & 3.00pm – **Year 5**

Thurs 29th March 9.15am & 3.00pm – **Year 3**

YEAR 6 BOOSTER CLASSES

There will be no Booster Classes for Year 6 next week, Tuesday, 27th March and Wednesday 28th March.

YEAR 4 SWIMMING

There will be no swimming for Year 4 on Tuesday 27th March.

March 2018

| MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
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| 19 Rock Band 3.30–4.30pm Year 5 – P.E. Day | 20 Yr 4 Swimming 1.30-2.20pm Year 6 Booster Class 3.30-4.30pm Chess 3.30–4.30 pm Karate 3.30–4.30 pm Year 4 – P.E. Day | 21 Drama 3.30-4.30pm yrs. 4,5,6 Year 6 Booster Class 3.30-4.30pm Year 3 – P.E. Day | 22 Year 6 P.E. Day | 23 Drama 3.30-4.30pm yrs. 2&3 Year 1 & 2 – P.E. Day | 24 | 25 |
| 26 Rock Band 3.30–4.30pm NO MUSIC LESSONS - THIS WEEK Year 5 – P.E. Day | 27 Yr 4 Swimming 1.30-2.20pm Yr 6 Booster Class 3.30-4.30pm Chess 3.30 - 4.30 pm Karate 3.30 - 4.30 pm Year 4 – P.E. Day | 28 Drama 3.30-4.30pm yrs. 4,5,6 Yr 6 Booster Class 3.30-4.30pm Year 3 – P.E. Day | 29 Year 6 P.E. Day | 30 GOOD FRIDAY | 31 | 1 |

School closes Thursday 29th March 3.30pm and will re-open Monday 16th April 2018



Holidays – School Closed



After- School Clubs



Sports Events



INSET Day – School Closed



Music Lessons



P.E Days



Bank Holiday – School Closed

YEAR GROUP MASSES

Key Stage 2 children will have the opportunity to attend year group Masses which they will plan and prepare. Masses will be held in the **School Hall at 9.30am** and parents/carers of the relevant year groups are very welcome to attend.

Thursday 19th April 2018 Y4

Please do join us in worship if you can – we'd love to see you

NEW TELEPHONE NUMBER

Please note we now have a new school telephone number - **0191 5228787**.



SCHOOL OFFICE RECEPTION

School Office Reception hours are from 8.30am. until 4pm. Enquires between 4pm and 4.30pm can still be dealt with via the school office.

PACKED LUNCHES

Please note: If you wish your child to change to packed lunches, you must request this in writing to Mrs Galbraith. Please give your reason for change and please wait until you have received a reply **before** your child can change from a school meal to a packed lunch.
Thank you

EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

If you change address, telephone/mobile number or any other circumstances change, please inform the school office immediately, in order that your details can be updated.



HOLIDAYS IN TERM TIME

From 1st September 2013, DFE amended the regulations surrounding holidays in term time. The DFE has removed references to family holidays and extended leave as well as the statutory threshold of ten school days. These make it clear that the Headteacher may not grant any leave of absence during term time unless there are exceptional circumstances and gives no entitlement to parents to take their child on holiday during term time. From 1st September 2013 applications for leave must be in exceptional circumstances and the Headteacher must be satisfied that the circumstances are exceptional and warrant the granting of leave!

PTA NEWS & DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SUMMER FAYRE

Saturday 23rd June 2018 – Summer fayre

100 CLUB

Please ensure that all £5 payments are made (via bank transfer or cash to school office)
If you would like to take part in the 100 club, please email **your contact details to pta@smrc.school**

EQUIPPED FOR SCHOOL

All children are encouraged to come to school fully equipped for the school day.
Any items dropped into the school office i.e. lunchbox, snacks, homework, PE kit, musical instruments and jackets etc., will not be taken to the child's class until lunchtime as the main reception needs to be manned at all times. This will stop classes being disturbed due to the distribution of these items.

SAFEGUARDING STATEMENT

St Mary's RC Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. We politely request that all parents, carers, contractors and visitors to school respect our safeguarding culture of vigilance.

Please help us to keep our school community safe and support school in reporting any concerns and/or inappropriate behaviour or actions through the appropriate channels.