



St Mary's RC Primary School Newsletter

'Growing, loving and learning in the arms of Mary'

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CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS

School will close at **1.15pm on Friday 17th December 2021**

Lunches will be provided before school closes.

School will reopen on Wednesday 5th January 2022 (Tuesday 4th January is an inset day).

OUTDOOR AREAS

Please note for safety reasons, children **are not** allowed to play on any outdoor area equipment (Foundation, Trim Trail, and Play Park) before school starts or at the end of the school day. Thank you for your co-operation.

GENTLE REMINDER

Children are not allowed to wear any form of earrings to school, as detailed in our school prospectus.

Please make sure your child brings to school a water bottle each day. Please note this bottle must only contain water.

PUPIL ABSENCE REPORTING

When reporting a pupil absence, you must call before 9.15am and leave your child's name, class and state the reason for absence.

If you are trying to contact the school office and there is no answer, please either leave a message or your name and telephone number and a member of staff will come back to you.

CHILDREN IN NEED

Thank you to everyone who kindly donated to Children in Need. We will keep you updated next week as to how much we have raised in total. At present we have raised the huge sum of £505.00.

Thank you kindly for all your donations.



SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHER

The school Photographer will be in school on Tuesday 23rd November 2021.

Please note: This year due to Covid restrictions we are unable to offer family photographs to siblings that are younger or older who do not attend St. Mary's Primary School. Therefore, all children will have a single photograph taken and siblings in school will be taken throughout the day.



November/December 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
22 Year 2 PE	23 Year 3 PE Chess Club 3.30-4.30	24 Year 4 PE Y2 & 3 Drama Club 3.30-4.30	25 Year 6 PE Year 5 PE/Swimming	26 Year 1 PE Y4, 5 & 6 Drama Club 3.30-4.30
29 Year 2 PE	30 Year 3 PE Chess Club 3.30-4.30	1 Year 4 PE Y2 & 3 Drama Club	2 Year 6 PE Year 5 PE/Swimming	3 Year 1 PE Y4, 5 & 6 Drama Club 3.30-4.30

ROAD SAFETY WEEK

A huge thank you to everyone who took part in the walking bus from Barnes park to school.

We would like to encourage everyone to walk or park and stride to school as much as possible. Not only will this help to avoid congestion, making the roads next to school safer, it will also help to reduce your carbon footprint. The attached map shows the safest park and stride route from Barnes Park to school. Please visit brake.org.uk/families, to view road safety advice for families.



COMMUNITY SCHOOL CLOTHING SCHEME

The Community School Clothing Scheme specialise in offering FREE preloved uniform and they have a fantastic shop in Fawcett Street. The shop is open weekdays from 9am-1pm and they welcome donations.



ODDIZZI

We continue to subscribe to 'Oddizzi', the geographical e-learning resource. It contains a lot of information, videos and quizzes about countries, environmental issues and events around the world. It is a fantastic resource which helps to challenge, engage and more importantly enthuse pupils about geography. The children can use 'Oddizzi' at home and can login using the details below.

Class Username

Mrs Collingwood	i3#
Mrs Smith	i4#
Mrs Paget/Mrs Gregory	i5#
Mr Carson	i6#
Ms McQuillin/Mrs Roddy	j1#
Miss Hatton	j2#
Miss March	j3#
Mrs Bravo	j4#
Miss Watt	j5#
Mrs Cummings	j6#
Miss Simpson	j7#
Mrs Duffy	j8#

Password - oddizzi

ANTI-BULLYING WEEK 2021

This year our theme has been:



Our School Council delivered an excellent assembly for the rest of the children. Well done.



Park and Stride to St Mary's RC Primary School

There are lots of reasons to get involved and to start using Park and Stride.



Not only can you avoid the congestion at the school gate but you can take time out to catch up with other parents and get some exercise if you use the Park and Stride site at St Mary's RC Primary School.

The map shows the safest walking route to school. Please advise your child to take care when crossing any roads.

The Park and Stride site is around a 10 minute walk from school and is in striding distance for your little ones.

Why not take the Park and Stride Challenge and help your child Walk Once a Week!

Find out more about active school travel to school at www.gosmarter.co.uk