



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

School Newsletter

Friday 5th March 2021

Morning Drop-off

Please arrive within these time slots-

UEYs: 9.00 - 9.05am

Yr1: 8.55 - 9.00am

Yr2: 8.50 - 8.55am

Yr3: 8.45 - 8.50am

Yr4: 8.40 - 8.45am

Yr5: 8.35 - 8.40am

Yr6: 8.30 - 8.35am

Siblings can be dropped off together - earliest time for any of your children

Collection Times

PLEASE REMEMBER A FACE MASK

Each class will go home at the following times:

-3.05pm: Reception (UEYs)

-3.10pm: Years 5 and 6

-3.15pm: Years 3 and 4

-3.20pm: Years 1 and 2

-3.30pm: Nursery

PE Days:

All pupils (Years 1 to 6) require their PE kits in school every day. Please bring PE bags/kits into school every Monday morning.

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are very much looking forward to all of our pupils returning to school on Monday (8th March). We have spent this week putting arrangements in place to ensure that everything is ready for when the children return. Please see a list of drop-off times and revised collection times to the left of this page.

Equipment Needed on Monday:

- A named water bottle
- A named pencil case containing a pen, pencil etc. (this will stay in school)
- Full school uniform **including school shoes** (*pupils do not have to wear a tie*)
- A packed lunch (alternatively this can be ordered from the Pantry)
- Individual pack of tissues (if you wish)
- Hand sanitizer (if you wish)
- P.E. kits

PE Kits

All pupils (Years 1 to 6), should bring their PE bags into school every Monday and then take them home at the end of each week for washing. Pupils should not come into school wearing their PE clothes this term.

Is school compulsory from Monday 8th March?

The usual rules on attendance now apply – school is mandatory again from the 8th March.

Parent Consultations

We will not be holding any face to face meetings during this term. If you need to speak to somebody – please contact the school office. All consultations will take place over the phone.

'School Friend Club'

Our 'School Friend Club' (before and after school) will also resume on Monday.

To making a booking – please visit their website:

<https://www.schoolfriendclub.com/>

schoolfriendclubs

Explorers through time workshop



Yesterday, our Year 1 pupils took part in an online workshop led by staff from the Greenwich Museum. This 'Explorers through Time' session supported work the children have been doing as a part of their History - 'Explorers' topic. As a part of this unit of work, pupils have been investigating the lives of significant individuals in the past and comparing aspects of life in different periods. In their digital session, the children met a museum expert and used objects and artefacts to

compare voyages of exploration from different periods through the common themes of clothing, equipment and navigation. They found out about significant explorers from Tudor sailors to astronauts, and used real museum objects to ask and answer questions about the past.

St. Mary's Masked Reader



To help celebrate World Book Day, some of our staff have been filmed reading. However there is one catch... they're all wearing masks. Can you work out who the mystery readers are? Some of our teachers have uploaded the videos to their Google Classroom but some year groups will be watching the videos, in school, on Monday (when we will reveal the identity of each masked reader. All the books read will be available to borrow from our school library bus next week.

Book Week: Dress-up Day

Our ever popular dress-up day took place yesterday, on World Book Day. We saw some amazing costumes on display during our live Google Meet streams with class teachers. Thank you for all the effort that went into these costumes.

Amazing Reading Spaces

Thank you for uploading all your photographs of the reading dens that you created at home. We saw some really creative and amazing spaces! Thanks again for all the effort that went into creating them.

Sublime Science Workshops

On Thursday (11th March), we have booked science workshops for each class as its British Science Week. These workshops will be led by the Sublime Science Company (who will maintain social distancing at all times).



Music

Hymn of the week

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=RD_8FUPItZ5Xs&feature=share&playnext=1

Composer of the month

John Williams - Hedwig's theme from Harry Potter

<https://youtu.be/wtHra9tFISY>

Please remind yourself of the Public Health Guidelines below:

Students **MUST NOT** come to school if they, or a member of their household, have **one or more of the main COVID symptoms** or have been tested for COVID.

The three symptoms are:

- A high temperature
- A new continuous cough
- A loss or change to your sense of smell or taste

Pupils Self-Isolating

If a pupil is self-isolating due to COVID symptoms (or because a member of their household has symptoms) we will set home learning activities through Google Classroom.

Teachers are unable to set these activities on the first day of absence as they are in their class teaching. All pupils will be set activities, from the second day they are absent from school.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Date	Event
Mon 8 th March	All pupils return to school
Thu 11 th March	Science Workshops
Mon 15 th March	Start of Shakespeare Week
Wed 31 st March	Last Day of Spring Term
Mon 19 th April	Start of Summer Term