

St. Mary's CE Primary School

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TERM DATES

**School Year
2016- 2017**

Spring Term

INSET DAY

Tuesday 3rd January 2017
(no children in school)

First day of Term

Wednesday 4th January 2017

Half Term

Monday 13th February - Friday
17th February 2017

End of Term

Friday 7th April 2017

Summer Term

Monday 24th April 2017

Bank Holiday

Monday 1st May 2017
(School closed)

Half Term

Monday 29th May -
Friday 2nd June 2017

End of Term

Friday 21st July 2017

INSET DAYS

Monday 24th July and Tuesday
25th July 2017
(no children in school)

Autumn Term

INSET DAY

Monday 4th September 2017
(no children in school)

First day of Term

Tuesday 5th September 2017

Half Term

Monday 23rd October - Friday
27th October 2017

INSET DAY

Monday 30th October
(no children in school)

End of Term

Wednesday 20th December

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Friday 6th January 2017



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A Happy New Year to you all! It's been great to get back to school and see you all again this week. I hope that you had a wonderful holiday!

It's been a short week this week! Staff were in school on Tuesday. They were in the pupil's seat as they received training in First Aid and Safer Handling.

It was great to welcome the children back into school on Wednesday. We met together for Collective Worship and thought about the New and Old Year and how important it is to keep our resolutions going. Today we have been thinking about Epiphany and the meaning of the gifts that the Wise Men gave to Jesus. On Monday, I'll be introducing the new theme for the half term when we will be unwrapping yet another Christian Value. Please see attached information.

On Monday we will be welcoming a new teacher to the school. Mrs Joanna Davies will be joining us as our new Teacher of Art. Mrs Lake decided she would not return from her maternity leave and we wish her and her new family all the very best and we thank her for her contribution. I am sure we will see her again soon, but I know that Mrs Davies will be a real asset to our team and you will join me in making her feel very welcome. My sincere thanks go to Mrs Astbury, who is currently working as an artist in France; and who, as you know, covered Mrs Lake's maternity leave—we wish her all the very best and look forward to hearing Tales of Provence!

Key Stage Two Communion is next Tuesday at 9.15am in the Hall. Please do join us for this service, everyone is welcome. The Charlwood Road entrance will be opened just after drop off. Speaking of Communion, we are becoming heavily reliant on the same server/s and were wondering if there were any other volunteers who would perhaps be willing to support this service in school? Please let the Office know if you are able to help in this way.

Finally, a request for Reception parents who received a copy of this year's Welcome Book kindly published and supplied by Honeycomb Book's. Honeycomb were wondering if there was any feedback parents have about the book. If you do have any thoughts, would you be kind enough to email them to:

admin@st-marys.putney.wandsworth.sch.uk, entitled 'Honeycomb'. Many thanks!
Until next week, enjoy the weekend! Cheryl Payne—Head Teacher

THE BIG SENSORY INTEGRATION PROJECT

Please find information on our website of a new course 'The Big Sensory Integration Project' which is being run by the Katherine Low Settlement and will commence on Wednesday 25th January. Each session is drop-in and there is a small cost of £5.00 per child. The sessions are an opportunity for children to explore integrated sensory therapy techniques and for parents and carers to receive advice and support.

See the information flyer on our website for session schedules and further details.

URGENT - LANGUAGE INFORMATION

If you have not already done so, please return the home language information that was urgently requested by parent mail yesterday. Please send responses to the admin@st-marys.putney.wandsworth.sch.uk email address to reach us by **Monday 9th January please.**

READING WORKSHOP

We will be holding a workshop on 'How to support your child with reading at home' This is aimed at YR and Y1 parents/ carers and will take place on

Monday 23rd January at school from **1.20pm to 2.50pm** and is led by the charity 'Learn to love to Read!'

If you would like to attend please sign up in the office.

Many thanks
Wendy Livingstone



CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY

A huge thank you to everyone who donated towards the Glass Door Homeless charity on the last day of the Christmas term. We managed to raise almost £400, which will directly go towards supporting homeless men and women in the Wandsworth area over the winter months.

Wendy Livingstone

