

**St. Mary's CE
Primary School**

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**TERM DATES
School Year 2019-20**

Autumn Term

Half term

Monday 21st October -
Friday 25th October

INSET DAY

Monday 28th October

Last Day of Term

20th December 2019

Spring Term

First day of Term

Tuesday 7th January 2020

Half Term

Monday 17th February to
Friday 21st February 2020

Last day of Term:

Friday 3rd April 2020

Summer Term

First day of Term:

Monday 20th April 2020

Bank Holiday:

Friday 8th May 2020

Half Term:

Monday 25th May to
Friday 29th May 2020

Last Day of Term:

Friday 17th July 2020

INSET Day:

Monday 20th July 2020

IN TOUCH

Friday 11th October 2019



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We enjoyed a lovely Harvest Festival at St. Mary's Church last Friday morning. Many thanks to all of you who were able to make it and to the staff team for working hard to prepare the children for the service. As usual the children did a great job, sharing their wonderful thoughts, paintings, poems, prayers and songs. It was lovely to have Peter Flaherty from Wandsworth Foodbank with us - thank you Peter and thank you also to Jarel Robinson, Pastoral Assistant at St. Mary's Church, for giving us much to think about—your words 'we must live simply, so that others may simply live' have really stuck with me.

Also last week we hosted our final Learn to Love to Read workshop for parents, which was very well attended. Huge thanks to Mrs Livingstone for organising these. There was also a workshop for Year Six parents on Secondary Transfer—Year Six parents please do let us know if you need any support or advice. Contact Mrs Bishop at the earliest opportunity.

This week both Year Three and Year Five have been on trips. The first went to Battersea Power Station and the latter to Parliament. We held our first second hand uniform sale of the year this Wednesday which was a huge success. Many thanks to Mrs Bishop and Year Six for overseeing our Hand to Hand shop and a very special thank you to Mrs Dias for all of her folding sorting and hanging!

Tonight, it is the FoSMS AGM. I hope to see many of you there. We will be electing some new officers to the committee and giving thanks to those who are stepping down. In particular I would like to thank Natasha Hume who has been FoSMS Treasurer for almost a decade! Huge thanks to James for all of his support over the years too.

Last night we had a meeting of the Full Governing Body. Governors watched two presentations from staff—one on the curriculum and the other on Mathematics. I am very sad to announce that our Chair of Governors, Sally McGeachie, is stepping down as Chair. I would like to say a very big thank you to Sally for her phenomenal service over many years. She has given us all a great deal of support and challenge—for which I am very grateful. I am delighted that she is going to remain a governor and that Judith Kennedy and Natasha Hume are going to be our Co-Chairs moving forward. Many of you will know Judith as she had three children who went all of the way through St. Mary's and Natasha, of course, is well known to many of you. I am looking forward to working more closely with them both and thank them for taking on this vital role in the governance of our school. Look out for more from Judith and Natasha in the next edition of St. Mary's News!

Looking ahead to next week: Year One have an Exit Point at 9.15am on Monday, our annual Open Evening is on Tuesday evening from 4-6pm, we have a Volunteer Induction Evening on Wednesday at 6pm, Reception have an Exit Point at 2.45pm on Thursday and the school nurses will be in school on Friday giving us our flu vaccinations. There is also a FoSMS Committee meeting on this day and a reminder that there is no KS2 Choir next week as it is the last week of half term.

I have noticed that many of our children are looking quite tired in school this week. Indeed, many of them have been napping during the school day. Thank goodness half term is on the way. I think it will be an excellent opportunity for some of our children to rest and recharge. Our new Nursery and Reception children have settled really well but are finding that a day at school is really tiring. ...Speaking of which, it is officially the weekend! Unfortunately the cross country is cancelled, but I hope you have something fun planned and that a warm fire features in those plans!

See you next week!
Cheryl Payne—Head Teacher

Whole School Attendance 19-20

Week beginning	Percentage
02/09	98.9%
09/09	96%
16/09	97.5%
23/09	99.3%
30/09	97.8%
07/10	97.2%
Overall	97.9%
14/10	
ANNUAL TARGET 97%	