

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

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TERM DATES

School Year 2019-20

Autumn Term

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:

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Friday 29th November 2019



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Christmas came to St. Mary's this morning. We looked at all of the lovely seasonal decorations the children have been making and celebrated their work on our beautiful Christmas Tree by switching on the lights and singing Silent Night. Children who received a certificate in this morning's assembly will have their decorations displayed on the smaller tree in the main office area. We are really grateful for our wonderful Christmas Trees and would like to say a special thank you to Katie and the team at FoSMS for providing these for us.

We also opened the first door on our Advent calendar this morning—a set of tissue paper stars from Nursery; and we lit the very first candle on our Advent wreath, as it is the first Sunday of the season this weekend. Some of the children have taken on the challenge to 'Think, Pray and Act' during Advent and may be bringing booklets home which contain suggested actions for each day of Advent.

Speaking of Christmas, next Friday is the School Fair. The event will run from 2.45-4.45pm in the Hall. As the event gets very busy we always dismiss children in Nursery, Reception, Year One and Year Two at 2.45pm so that they can move around more freely at the start of the event before the rest of the school joins them after 3.30pm. **If you have a child in any of the Early Years and/or Key Stage One classes please collect your child from the playground at the earlier time of 2.45pm next Friday. Many thanks.** I look forward to seeing many of you at the fair—it promises to be another fantastic FoSMS event for us all to enjoy.

This week, we hosted teachers from other Wandsworth schools who have been working with colleagues at St. Mary's to develop a mastery approach to learning in Mathematics. All of our visitors were really impressed with our school. My thanks to Mr Lett and Mrs Rinaldi for organising and hosting their visit and to Miss Barrett for welcoming them into her classroom. Also this week, Year Four held their exit point for their Temples, Tombs and Treasures Topic and unfortunately the second hand uniform sale was cancelled due to bad weather—now planned for next Wednesday! Fingers crossed... Finally on Thursday afternoon, we had our termly Wider Opps music concert where our children are able to demonstrate all of the wonderful things they have learned on their instruments during the term.

Looking ahead to next week we have a lot of classes out on trips. On Monday, Year Four are at the British Museum. On Tuesday Year Five are off to the National Gallery and Year Six will be singing carols in Putney Exchange in the afternoon. On Wednesday, Year Two are visiting Southwark Cathedral. I am looking forward to hearing all about their adventures next week!

Until then, I hope you are able to find some rest over the weekend.

Christmas is coming...

Best wishes,

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%
14/10	98%
HALF TERM	
28/10	99.2%
04/11	98.2%
11/11	97.1%
18/11	98.3%
25/11	98.4%
Overall	98%
ANNUAL TARGET 97%	