## St. Mary's CE Primary School

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## TERM DATES School Year 2020-21

Autumn Term
INSET Day:
Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September
First day of Term:
Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September
Half Term:
Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October to
Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October
INSET Day:
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November
Last day of Term:
Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Spring Term
INSET Day:
Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January
First day of Term:
Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January
Half Term:
Monday 15<sup>th</sup> February to
Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2021
INSET Day:
Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February
Last day of Term:
Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March

Summer Term
INSET Day:
Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April
First day of Term:
Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> April
Bank Holiday:
Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2021
Half Term:
Monday 31<sup>st</sup> May to
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June
Last Day of Term:
Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July

Whole School Attendance 2020-21	
Week beginning	Percentage
03/09	93.4%
07/09	96.6%
Total:	96%

## IN TOUCH

Friday 11th September 2020

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VISION: Delivering excellence, allowing all to flourish
MISSION: Creating a culture of wonder, guided by Christian Faith
VALUES: COMPASSION - ENDURANCE - THANKFULNESS

Thank you all for your ongoing help and support with the new systems we have set up, especially at pick up and drop off. Your children have continued to work hard in school this week and have adapted very well to the new way of working!

Congratulations to Poppy in Year Two who is the winner of our sunflower challenge. Poppy's sunflower is a whopping 2m 14cm (see picture below)! Well done Poppy—you obviously have some very powerful green fingers —your prize is on its way to you!

Many thanks to Mrs Lee who has sent through the details of a poster competition. The Transport Planning Society is ask for primary school children to submit entries by creating posters which encourage greener transport to school. If you would like to submit an entry, please visit: <a href="https://tps.org.uk/poster-competition">https://tps.org.uk/poster-competition</a> for more information. The deadline for entries is Monday 5th October 2020.

It has been brought to our attention that there is a particularly nasty viral post which is circling the internet and whilst we have been asked not to share details with you, we have been advised to let you know so that you can be extra vigilant. The sites concerned are dealing with the situation and hopefully it should be cleared soon. Some of you may wish to talk to your children about being safe on the internet as a precautionary measure.

Private Music Tuition will begin in school in the week beginning 5th October, more details will be coming out shortly. Any parent/carers who are interested in music tuition for their child should contact Sue Abraham, School Business Manager.

Due to the current situation, we will not be holding our usual Harvest Service at St. Mary's Church. In recent years we have supported the Wandsworth Food Bank by providing items of food and toiletries. As you may be aware food banks across the country are urgently appealing for donations. With this in mind we would like to encourage you all to continue to support the Wandsworth Foodbank. Instead of taking items to church for our usual Harvest Festival, would you be so kind as to take them directly to your local supermarket, where they have collection points. Alternatively you can donate money straight to Wandsworth Foodbank: <a href="https://wandsworth.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate/">https://wandsworth.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate/</a>. Thank you.

Speaking of visiting Church, we continue to come together (although apart) for collective worship to ensure that all children have the opportunity to develop spiritually when in school. Worship sessions are pre-recorded (videos) prior to the beginning of the school day and each class has a session in which they watch the video and participate in worship as though we are all together. At the end of last week we all used an act of worship from the Diocesan Baard as a way of uniting ourselves with other Church Schools in the Diocese.

Thank you again to all of you for your ongoing help and support at this time. We look forward to seeing all of your fabulous children again next week!

