

St. Mary's CE Primary School

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TERM DATES

School Year 2021-22

Spring Term

Last day of Term:

Friday 1st April 2022

Summer Term

INSET Day:

Tuesday 19th April

First day of Term:

Wednesday 20th April

Bank Holiday:

Monday 2nd May 2022

Half Term:

Monday 30th May to

Friday 3rd June

Last Day of Term:

Friday 22nd July

IN TOUCH

Friday 10th June 2022

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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

I hope you were all able to get some R&R over the half term break, it's going to be a busy Summer 2 and it will be gone before we know it. It is really great to be getting back to normal and we are all looking forward to more St. Mary's traditions—such as our sports days and end of year show, making a comeback!

Speaking of comebacks, this weekend is the Wandsworth Swimming Gala—please do come along and cheer on the St. Mary's Team if you can. The Gala begins at 6.15pm at Putney Leisure Centre—entry is £2. I would like to thank Mr Lally and past pupil, Christy, for their enthusiastic coaching and support for the team.

Obviously a large part of my role is looking to the future. At the end of last term, I presented a three year vision to the governing body which includes four main foci of teaching and learning, our outdoor learning environment, equality and diversity and sustainability. As many of you are aware we have worked with the South West Maths Hub to develop a mastery approach to learning in Maths. Next year we are going to be working with STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) to further develop teaching and learning in Science. Work starts next week when an audit of our current practice in school will take place. The audit will result in identification of our strengths but most importantly a program which will help us to develop our areas for improvement. Watch this space for more news as our partnership with STEM develops.

If you have a child in Year Five, please look out for information around secondary transfer which will be coming out next week. We will be contacting all parent/carers in Year Five to share information about how we can support you, should you need it, in ensuring a smooth transfer to secondary school when the time comes.

Further information was sent out this week around the photos which are taken of Nursery, Reception and Year Six classes every year. We apologise for the confusion around dates and that we have again had to change the date for this year. Unfortunately we have been let down by our regular photographer, but I am very grateful to Mrs Abraham for sourcing a recommended replacement at short notice. These photos will now take place on the 27th June. Our whole school photo will still take place on Tuesday 21st June.

As many of you will be aware, we publish a termly magazine called St. Mary's News. I am hugely grateful to Lindsey Lillywhite who has been a fantastic Editor in Chief of our magazine for at least six years. Lindsey would very much like to step down at the end of this year, but would be happy to conduct a handover with anyone who feels they can take this on. If you would like to volunteer to take on this role, then please let either myself or the office know asap.

Today, we unfortunately say goodbye to Miss Minton who is off to pursue her talents in performance in the USA. We are very grateful to her for all of her hard work with the children, who I know are going to miss her support in class and her very cool dance moves! We wish her all the very best for the future and will be keeping an eye out for her on the stage or screen!

Let's hope this lovely weather continues over the weekend and that we can all enjoy a good rest before another busy week begins. We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday.

Cheryl Payne—Head Teacher

Whole School Attendance 2021 - 22

Autumn	95.3%
Spring	94.9%
Summer 1	95.7%
Week beginning	Percentage
06/06	96.0%
13/06	
20/06	
27/06	
04/07	
11/07	
18/07	
Total:	95.7%

Family Points

582

551

490

573

LEARNING WARRIORS

Nursery: Ged, Ayanfe, Ollie and Maya

Reception: Harrison, Edward, Kenza and Teddy

Year One: Bella, Charlie, Noah and Amelie

Year Two: Harvey, Izzy, Charlotte and Toby



Well done to all of these children for developing key learning skills in their approach and attitude to school this week—keep up the excellent work!