



St. Mary's Church of England Primary School



Year 6: Half-Termly Letter to Parents Summer 2, June 2022

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the final half term of Year 6. How quickly this year has flown! Firstly, we would like to say how pleased we are with the hard work and effort the children put into their SATs last half term - we are very proud of them all. Behaviour has been outstanding and we expect them to continue to be excellent role models to the rest of the school in the busy weeks ahead.

It is the last half term for your child at St. Mary's and nearly time for the children of Year 6 to prepare for their goodbyes and think ahead to their new beginnings...

We really want our 'Class of 2022' to have a great, memorable and productive time during their last seven weeks at primary school.

Please find details below on what the children can look forward to this half term.

The Curriculum

To view the Year 6 curriculum intent please see the Year 6 Curriculum Map, which can be viewed on our school website here:

<http://www.stmarysschoolputney.co.uk/our-curriculum/#curric>

We will be following the content outlined in the Summer Term.

*Please note that in **PSHE** we will be covering the Changing Me unit of work. As part of RSHE, we will be focusing on the following areas in a sensitive and informative way:

Self-image

Puberty

Girl Talk/Boy Talk

Babies - Conception to Birth

Attraction

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this topic, please see us as soon as possible.

KS2 Production - Shakespeare Rocks

We will be spending time rehearsing for KS2 production 'Shakespeare Rocks'. Please could you help children learn their lines at home - they all seem very keen and enthusiastic, which is fantastic, and we hope this continues as the term progresses. Costume letters will be sent out shortly - many thanks for your support with this in advance!

Secondary Transition

To support transition to secondary school we will be exploring - Be Awesome Go Big! These resources have been created to prepare Year 6 pupils for the transition to secondary school. The lessons are based on the books [You Are Awesome](#) by Matthew Syed and [Go Big](#) by Matthew Burton. Each session will take pupils through some big ideas to help them on their way to secondary school.

PE Arrangements

PE lessons continue to take place every **Monday** and **Tuesday**. Your child can attend school on these days wearing the St. Mary's PE kit. If your child takes part in a school sports club before or after school on a **non-PE** day, they are required to change i.e. sports club before school then bring school uniform to change into and after school bring PE kit to get changed into.

Homework - This will change from the usual format.

Maths will be set on Friday to be completed by the following Wednesday. Over the weekend we would like the children to spend time looking at newspapers and listening or watching the news to develop their knowledge of current affairs. They will be asked to present a report each weekend on a topical news story that we will then reflect on and respond to on Monday mornings.

We advise children to spend no more than 40 minutes on each piece of homework and to let us know whether they found it too complicated or too easy at the end of the assignment. We expect all children to complete their work independently but it would be beneficial for them to have it checked over for accurate punctuation, accurate calculations and neatness before it is handed in.

Spellings will take on a different format this half term. Children will be tested on a range of spellings compiled by a number of secondary school that all identified these words as commonly misspelled among the age group. It is recommended that early in Year 7 pupils should be helped to learn these spellings - we thought we would start early!! The children will be tested (without seeing the spellings!) on **Monday** and then if errors have been made they will have a catch up test on **Friday**.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding the children at St. Mary's is the responsibility of all staff, parents and professionals who come on site. If you have a safeguarding concern, our Designated Safeguarding Lead in school is Mrs Kerry Dunford. Her contact email is kdunford.212@lgflmail.org.

If there are safeguarding concerns, which take place outside of school hours please contact the Wandsworth Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH). Their contact details are: Telephone: 020 8871 6622 or e-mail:

MASH@wandsworth.gov.uk.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

Leavers Hoodies may be worn to school from Monday 6th June

7th - 10th June - Cycle Training - am/pm sessions

10th June - MUFTI Day (FOSMs)

15th June - Eucharist with All Saints at St. Marys Church

17th June - Red Family treat

21st June - Whole School Photograph

24th June - Barnes Children's Literature Festival -Author: Lisa Thompson

2nd July - Summer Fair

14th July - KS2 Production - Shakespeare Rocks! 1.45pm and 6pm

15th July - KS2 Sports Day

19^h July - Leavers' Outing to Painshill Park

21st July -Year 6 Leavers' Service at St. Mary's Church

Y6's very last day with us at St. Mary's will end with the traditional Leavers' Service at St. Mary's Church on Thursday 21st July. The class are to wear their full winter school uniform on this day. Parents and family members will be invited to attend (there may be limits on numbers TBC); the service begins at 9.30am and will last approximately 1 hour.

Communication

If you have any queries about the daily routine or what your child is learning, or perhaps, to inform us of other matters relating to your child, then do not hesitate to get in touch with any member of the Year 6 team. As always, the best way to do this is through the use of your child's PACT. The PACT e-mail is a great tool for communication between home and school, so please do not hesitate in using it.

We are really looking forward to the 'final' half term ahead, we know it is an incredibly busy one but are sure we can all enjoy it to the full!

Wishing all of our Year 6 children some wonderful lasting memories, we conclude this final parent letter with thoughts turning to our St. Mary's School Payer:

*O Lord,
Bless our school
That working together
And playing together
We may learn to serve you
And to serve one another*

Amen

Kindest regards,

Mrs Bishop

Mrs Rinaldi

Miss Overton