

# St. Mary's Church of England Primary School, Putney

Vision: Delivering excellence, allowing all to flourish **Mission:** Creating a culture of wonder, guided by Christian faith Values: Compassion • Endurance • Thankfulness

## Year 4: Half-Termly Letter to Parents Autumn Term 2, November 2022

Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s),

A warm welcome back to the second half of the autumn term. I hope you all had a relaxing and refreshing break.

I have been very pleased with Year 4's performance over the course of the first half term. The children have collectively done a stellar job and exceeded my expectations - I hope you are equally satisfied with your own child's progress so far. Most importantly, the children have settled well into a new year with a new teacher. I am really enjoying their enthusiasm, and they have especially thrown themselves into our English lessons, producing some excellent storytelling.

### <u>Safeguarding</u>

If you have a safeguarding concern, our Designated Safeguarding Lead in school is Mrs Kerry Dunford. Her contact email is: kdunford.212@lqflmail.org. For any safeguarding concerns 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.

### The Curriculum

To view the Year 4 curriculum intent please see the Year 4 Curriculum Map, which can be viewed on our school website here: http://www.stmarysschoolputney.co.uk/our-curriculum/#curric We will continue to follow the content outlined in the autumn term.

### PE Arrangements

PE lessons will continue to take place every Tuesday and Thursday. 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 please bring school uniform to change into and after school bring PE kit to get changed into.

### PLEASE ENSURE YOUR CHILD'S PE KIT (AND SUITABLE FOOTWEAR - TRAINERS FOR OUTDOORS) IS IN SCHOOL ON TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS - LABELLED CLEARLY.

### Home Learning Arrangements

Home Learning will be mostly set as an assignment via Microsoft Teams. Please ensure your child has access to Microsoft Teams and is able to meet the deadlines for completion. There will be weekly home learning as follows:

- Spellings: Spelling cards will be shared at the start of each half term. Weekly spellings set on Monday and tested on Friday.
- Times Tables: Please practice regularly tested every Friday.
- Reading: Daily to be listened to by an adult for at least 15 minutes each morning or evening - if possible. It is important that the children read aloud to you regularly and they also benefit greatly from you reading to them. Reading things such as articles in encyclopedias, newspapers, recipes, instruction texts, etc. will help broaden their understanding of reading across different contexts.

English: Set on Friday via Microsoft Teams and must be handed in the following Wednesday. English tasks should take on average 30-40 minutes.

#### 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 4 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. The address is: <u>Class2019@st-marys-putney.wandsworth.sch.uk</u>

#### **Progress in Learning Meetings**

Your child's 'Progress in Learning' meeting (parent-teacher consultation) will take place on either Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December or Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> December. More information to follow. In addition to this meeting invite you into class for a Work Share with your child on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2.45 - 3.15pm in the Y4 classroom.

Other important dates:

Wednesday 8th November - Individual Pupil Photographs Thursday 9th November - FOSMS Quiz Night Friday 10th November - Celebration Worship - all welcome Tuesday 14th November - Flu Immunisation Wednesday 15th November - Eucharist @ St. Mary's Church Friday 1st December - Celebration Worship - all welcome Thursday 14th December - Christmas Pantomime Wednesday 20th December - Christmas Lunch and Christmas Jumper Day Last Day of Term - Finish 2.30pm

#### Keep in the loop with social media

The school actively uses two social media platforms to communicate school news and events, so please check them out and follow us: Twitter https://twitter.com/PutneySMPS Facebook https://www.facebook.com/PutneySMPS/

Wishing your child a great half term ahead. All the best for the term ahead!

Kindest regards,

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