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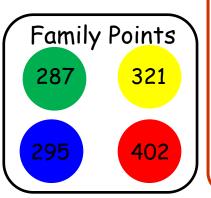
TERM DATES School Year 2023-24

Autumn Term
INSET Day: 4th and 5th Sept
First day of Term: 6th Sept
Half Term:
23rd Oct to 27th Oct
Last day of Term: 20th Dec
INSET Day: 21st Dec

Spring Term
INSET Day: 8th Jan
First day of Term: 9th Jan
Half Term:
12th Feb to 16th Feb
Last day of Term:
28th Mar

Summer Term
INSET Day: 15th Apr
First day of Term: 16th Apr
Bank Holiday: 6th May
Half Term:
27th May to 31st May
Last Day of Term:
24th Jul

School Attendance 23-24	
TARGET	97.0%
Autumn	95.5%
Spring	93.7%
Summer	
Week Beginning	
15/04	95.5%
22/04	
29/04	
06/05	
13/05	
20/05	
Total:	94.8%



IN TOUCH

Friday 19th April 2024

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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

It was lovely to welcome everyone back on Tuesday for the start of the summer term! In usual St. Mary's style the children have settled back into their classes brilliantly with great enthusiasm for learning and real excitement for what is ahead. May I take this opportunity to thank you from all the staff for your generous kind words and gifts at the end of last term. We hope everyone managed to have some special time with family and friends over the holidays and hopefully took a moment to read all about last term in our Easter School News too!

The summer term is always a very busy one. Class Newsletters have been posted on the website today so please take a look at these and keep in contact with teachers via our class email system. Teachers are available in the playground at the end of the day for a quick chat—but do please wait until all the children are dismissed before approaching them. If you would like a more lengthy discussion please book a time in with them via the class email or contact the office. A member of the Senior Leadership Team is always on the gate at the start and the end of the day for support if needed.

Although the summer term continues to push academics to ensure progress is being made, the importance of enriching the whole child is central to our work too. Our focus in KS2 Worship this term is 'Grace' and we will be exploring this theme and planting the message that giving grace is just as important as receiving it. EYFS/KS1 continue their Jack in the Box Worship with the theme of 'God's Big Plan'. We are so grateful that we have Reverend John and Reverend Jane from St. Mary's Church and Reverend Helena, Chaplain at Lady Margaret School, coming into St. Mary's this term to deliver worship across the year groups. We also will be visiting the church for Eucharist and Godly Play sessions and at the end of the term for the Y6 Leavers Service. Reverend John will be with us at the first Celebration Worship of the term on Friday 3rd May at 9.15am — everyone is invited so please do come if you can make it.

And finally, we had such wonderful news over the holidays, Mrs Davidson gave birth to Joseph Hugh Davidson on Friday 5th April. All are doing well and I am sure you will join me in congratulating the family and wishing them a lifetime of love, health and happiness together.

Amanda Bishop (Acting Head)



Congratulations to Red Family for winning the Family Cup for the Spring Term!



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