



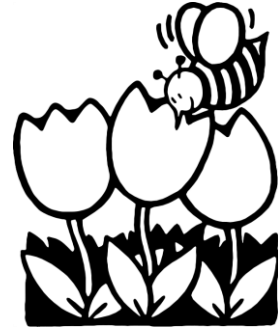
## St. Mary's Church of England Primary School

### Year 6: Half Termly Letter to Parents

Summer 1, April 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope you have all managed to have a restful Easter holiday and enjoyed some of the spring sunshine. The summer term has arrived and this will of course be the very last term of your child's primary education! This term is always very busy, but for Year 6 it is also very important as the children will be taking their Key Stage 2 National Tests, better known as SATs. Please see below for the planned testing timetable for SATs week that commences week beginning Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2024



After SATs week, the focus in Year 6 will shift to working on several projects and preparing for special events, including transition to secondary school and the school production!

#### Testing timetable

YEAR 6 SATs WEEK - WEEK BEGINNING TUESDAY 9 <sup>th</sup> May 2023				
MONDAY 13 <sup>th</sup> May	TUESDAY 14 <sup>th</sup> May	WEDNESDAY 15 <sup>th</sup> May	THURSDAY 16 <sup>th</sup> May	FRIDAY 17 <sup>th</sup> May
English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Paper 1	English Reading	Mathematics Paper 1: Arithmetic	Mathematics Paper 3: Reasoning	<i>Leavers Hoodies may be worn!</i>
English Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling Paper 2		Mathematics Paper 2: Reasoning	<i>Leavers Hoodies given out!</i>	PICNIC CELEBRATION WANDSWORTH PARK

It is essential that your child is punctual and not absent from school during this important testing week and likewise in the weeks leading up to the tests. If your child is taken ill during SATs week, please contact Miss Payne to let her know as soon as possible.

#### SATs 'Brain Boosting' Breakfast

To promote a positive start to each day during SATs Week we would like to invite every Year 6 child to join us for an exclusive Year 6 Brain Boosting Breakfast - served 8.30am Monday to Thursday in the school hall. This breakfast is offered free of charge and will help to ensure that no child feels they have had a rushed or hectic start to the day. Further information will be sent home in a separate letter in due course.

#### Picnic in Wandsworth Park

To help the children relax after all the hard work of the tests we plan to visit Wandsworth Park for a class picnic on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May. Further information will be sent home in a separate letter in due course.

#### 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](mailto: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](mailto:MASH@wandsworth.gov.uk).

### 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.

### PE Arrangements

PE lessons continue to take place every **Monday** and **Tuesday**. We have been very lucky to secure some additional cricket coaching on a **Friday** afternoon from James Watson - a cricket coach and teacher. He delivered a taster session last term which the children (and he) loved! 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.

### Home Learning

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<b>Maths:</b> Set on Friday to be handed in on Wednesday
<b>English:</b> Set on Friday, to be handed in on Wednesday
<b>Guided Reading:</b> Reading and task to be completed
<b>Spellings:</b> Spelling Cards given at the start of the term. Tested on Friday
<b>Independent Reading:</b> Daily for at least 30 minutes each evening
<b>Times Tables:</b> Tested on Friday 100 Club sheets have been sent to parents to use at home to aid fluency and speed!
<b>Home learning will not be set during holidays</b>

We expect all of our Year 6 children to complete their home learning 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. Please comment if you have had to help significantly.

### Diary Dates

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April - First day of Summer Term

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May - Celebration Worship @ 9.15am in the school hall

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> May - Bank Holiday

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May - Y6 Class Photograph

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May - FoSMS Great Gatsby Fundraising Ball

SATS WEEK 13<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> May - including Booster Breakfast

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> May pm - Picnic in the Park

Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May - Y6 to Holly Lodge Richmond Park - Sustainability Trip

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May Finish for Half-Term

### 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 using your child's PACT e-mail. 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 [Class2015@st-marys-putney.wandsworth.sch.uk](mailto:Class2015@st-marys-putney.wandsworth.sch.uk)

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/>

We look forward to another very busy and productive half term ahead.

Kindest regards,  
Mrs Bishop and Mrs Rinaldi