

**St. Mary's CE Primary School**

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**TERM DATES**  
**School Year 2022-23**

**Autumn Term**  
**Half Term:**  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> October to  
Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October 2022  
**Last day of Term:**  
Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2022

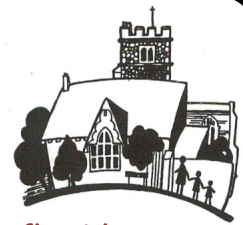
**Spring Term**  
**INSET Day:**  
Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023  
**First day of Term:**  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2023  
**Half Term:**  
Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February to  
Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2023

**Summer Term**  
**INSET Day:**  
Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023  
**First day of Term:**  
Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2023  
**Bank Holiday:**  
Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023  
**Half Term:**  
Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May to  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2023  
**Last Day of Term:**  
Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2023  
**INSET Day:**  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

# IN TOUCH

Friday 18th November 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

Mr Lett and I have been looking at the teaching and learning of Science across the school today. We were delighted to welcome Naomi Hiscock from STEM to lend her specialist knowledge to our monitoring activities. We enjoyed talking to the children and finding out what they are learning about. Each year we focus on the development of different subjects within the curriculum. Previously we have focused on the core subjects. Moving forward, we will be focused on the foundation subjects beginning with Science and PE. Naomi will be working with the school throughout the year ahead, delivering training and advice as we work to ensure our Science delivery is the best it can possibly be.

Three classes were out on trips this week. Year Six were at Fulham Palace, Year Four went to The Wallace Collection and our Year Two class visited our former Deputy Head Teacher, Wendy Livingstone, and her Year Two class at All Saints Primary in Tilford. Please see the photos below. Thanks to all of the staff who planned and delivered this enrichment of the children's learning this week.

Governors and FoSMS have been in school this week. On Thursday night the Leadership and Management Committee of the governing board met to discuss staffing, the appraisal of staff, training—both for governors and staff; the upcoming governor working day and policies related to their areas of oversight. On Friday afternoon the FoSMS Committee met to discuss the funding priorities for the year along with plans for the playground and future FoSMS events such as the upcoming Christmas Fair. Many thanks to governors and committee members for their ongoing support and challenge.

Staff have been meeting with me, Mrs Bishop and Ms. Dunford to talk through the children in their class during what we call Pupil Progress Meetings. In these sessions we talk through every child with each teacher and ensure that they have the support they need to thrive as learners. We will complete the remainder of these meetings next week.

Finally, Green Family celebrated their triumph as last year's overall winners of the Family Cup today. The ribbons are green at the moment, but will they stay that way at the end of this term?! Many thanks to Mrs Rinaldi, and family captains Emmeline and Andrija, for organising biscuits and hot chocolate as well as extra play for green family members—who all wore green to school today to celebrate their win!

We hope you have something fun planned over the weekend and it involves a chance for you to relax and recover from the week. We look forward to seeing you all again on Monday,

Best wishes,  
Cheryl Payne  
Head Teacher

**Whole School Attendance**  
**2022-23**

TARGET	97.0%
Autumn 1	95.6%
31/10	96.1%
07/11	93.6%
14/11	93.2%
21/11	
28/11	
05/12	
12/12	
<b>Total:</b>	<b>95.4%</b>

**Family Points**

