

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

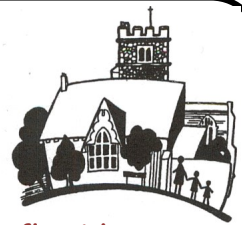
##### INSET Day:

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

# IN TOUCH

Friday 3rd February 2023

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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

Children in Year Five and Six have been making lasting memories down at Sayers Croft Environmental Field Study Centre in Surrey this week. I would like to thank Mrs Bishop for her leadership of this event and her team Miss Ford, Miss Hesketh and Mr Lett. All have given up time with family and friends this week, working unpaid overtime to provide a unique outdoor learning experience for the children. Below is a picture of our Year Six learners enjoying the play equipment at the centre. This week children have had the opportunity to take part in some of the following activities: orienteering, pond dipping, rock climbing, abseiling, high ropes course, camp fires, a disco, a walk up pitch hill and a night walk! The programme for both classes is varied and progressive so there is lots for the Year Five children to look forward to, and be challenged by, when they revisit in Year Six. Many thanks again to the staff team—we are looking forward to welcoming them back this afternoon!

Apologies for the cancellation of Celebration Worship this morning. There was a problem with the boiler in the kitchen block, and therefore no heating in the Hall! We are awaiting parts and hopefully it will be up and running again very soon.

Thank you for your understanding around, and in some cases support of, the action that teachers in the National Education Union (NEU) took on Wednesday. It is hoped that this action will lead to improvements in future school funding. As you will be aware, future action is planned on the 2nd, 15+16th March 2023. I continue to recommend that you make alternative childcare arrangements on these days.

This coming Sunday there is a service of admission to communion at St. Mary's Church for children who have been working through classes of the same name. Some of our children at St. Mary's will be receiving their first communion and I look forward to seeing some of you at the service from 10am

Next week we will mark Children's Mental Health Week in school, as well as Safer Internet Day on Tuesday and Number Day on Friday! Many thanks to Ms. Dunford, Mr Lett and Mrs Rinaldi for planning our work for these events.

I can't believe that next week marks the end of the half term and we are roughly half way through the school year! Time flies when you are having fun! School will finish at the usual time on Friday 10th February.

Until next week have a fun and relaxing weekend and 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	95.2%
02/01	90.0%
09/01	95.6%
16/01	97.8%
23/01	93.7%
30/01	96.7%
06/02	
Total:	94.7%

### Family Points

390

464

349

427

