



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 1: Half-Termly Letter to Parents

Summer Term 2, June 2024

Dear Parent(s) and Carer(s),

Welcome back! I hope that your breaks were all restful and fun! The children have come back raring to go and we are looking forward to another fun and productive half term and will begin to prepare for going to Year 2. This will be a busy half term with lots of fun in store.

Classroom Resources

Thank you for all your hard work on the 'cake sale' last half term. We have bought various classroom resources to aid our learning. The children have also asked for some new book and some new wet play games.

The Curriculum

To view the Year 1 curriculum intent please see the Year 1 Curriculum Map, which can be viewed on our school website here: <https://www.stmarysschoolputney.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2021/09/Year-One-Class-Curriculum-Map.pdf>

We will be following the content outlined in the Summer Term.

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@lgf1mail.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.

PE Arrangements

PE lessons will continue to take place every **Monday** and **Thursday**. Your child should 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 be changed into.

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

Home Learning Arrangements

Home Learning will be set on a **Friday** and will be due the following **Wednesday**.

There will be weekly home learning as follows:

- **Spellings:** Spelling cards can be found in the Home Learning channel on MS Teams and a hard copy will be sent home following the first spelling test. Weekly spellings are tested on **Friday**. Please ensure that your child brings their spelling card to school on a **Friday** so that we can mark down their score for you to see how they did and what they might need to work on. We have also been working hard on learning to spell our tricky words. A list of tricky words can be found in the 'General' channel on Teams.
- **Dictation:** Dictation cards will be sent home the week **after** spelling cards and are to be completed by the following Wednesday. The due dates are written on the cards to help you! Please do not go ahead. The dictation helps us to see what your child has been able to retain and what we might need to go over again so please do not let your child see the card before writing and please do leave in any mistakes that your child might make.
- **Grammar:** reinforcement sheets will be uploaded to Teams (when relevant), for the children to complete and to let you know what we have been covering in class. These are for your reference and do not need to be returned.
- **Reading:** We expect that children will read aloud every night for at least 10 minutes. Inside the front and back covers of the Oxford Reading Tree books, there are useful questions to ask your child to probe their understanding of the text. Please refer to these before, during and after reading together. Reading folders should be brought into school every day in order to enable us to read with your child at school as well. Reading books are changed on a **Wednesday evening**. We will keep reading folders overnight on a Wednesday and they will be returned home every **Thursday** after book change. Please ensure that you write in the Reading Record when your child needs new books, otherwise they won't be changed! Books are changed, if requested, on **WEDNESDAYS ONLY**. We cannot guarantee that books can be changed after this.
- **Maths:** This will be set on **Friday** via Mathletics. Your child will be set a task on Mathletics which should be completed by the following **Wednesday**. Please let me know if you need to be sent your login details. There will also be some maths activities uploaded to Teams if you would like some more practice. These do not need to be returned to school.

Dates for Your Diary

7th June - Celebration Worship

14th June - FOSMS Mufti Day

21st June - Anti-Bullying Day

28th June - FOSMS Summer Fair 3.20 - 5.00pm

5th July - Celebration Worship

6th July - Summer Reading Challenge begins - Reading for Fun!

19th July - EYFS/KS1 Sports Day

23rd July - Leavers Service at St Mary's Church

24th July at 2.30pm - End of Summer Term 2

*Please note: the school finishes at the earlier time of 2.30pm on this last day!

Communication

If you have any queries about the daily routine or what your child is learning, or to inform us of other matters relating to your child (e.g., if your child is being collected by someone who does not usually collect them), then do not hesitate to get in touch with any member of the Year 1 team. As always, the best way to do this is through the 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:

Class2022@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/>

Best wishes for the term ahead,
Miss Barrett and the Year 1 Team