



St. Mary's Church of England Primary School



Year 6: Half-Termly Letter to Parents

Summer 2, June 2024

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the final half term of Year 6. How quickly this year has flown! Firstly, we would like to say how pleased we are with the hard work and effort the children put into their SATs last half term - we are very proud of them all. Behaviour has been good and we expect everyone to continue to be excellent role models to the rest of the school in the busy weeks ahead.

It is the last half term for your child at St. Mary's and nearly time for the children of Year 6 to prepare for their goodbyes and think ahead to their new beginnings...

We really want our 'Class of 2024' to have a great, memorable and productive time during their last seven weeks at primary school.

Please find details below on what the children can look forward to this half term.

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.

*Please note that in **PSHE** we will be covering the Changing Me unit of work. As part of RSHE, we will be focusing on the following areas in a sensitive, informative and age appropriate way:

Self-image

Puberty

Girl Talk/Boy Talk

Babies - Conception to Birth

Attraction

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this topic, please see us as soon as possible.

If you would like to read our school policy on how we teach this part of our PSHE curriculum, please click the link below:

<https://www.stmarysschoolputney.co.uk/curriculum-subjects/sex-and-relationship-education-sre/>

KS2 Production - 'Pirates of the Curry Bean'

We will be spending time rehearsing for KS2 production 'Pirates of the Curry Bean'. Please could you help children learn their lines at home - they all seem very keen and enthusiastic, which is fantastic, and we hope this continues as the term progresses. Costume letters will be sent out shortly - many thanks for your support with this in advance!

PE Arrangements

PE lessons continue to take place every **Monday** and **Tuesday**. 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.

Homework - This will change from the usual format.

Maths will be set on Friday to be completed by the following Wednesday. Over the weekend we would like the children to spend time looking at newspapers and listening or watching the news to develop their knowledge of current affairs. They will be asked to present a report each weekend on a topical news story that we will then reflect on and respond to on Monday mornings. The children will also be set an open-ended Victorian project to complete at their own pace over the term. This project is to be brought to school on 10th July.

Spellings will take on a different format this half term. Children will be tested on key words Y6 children are expected to know by the end of Key Stage 2. A spelling list has been sent home and 12 words will be randomly selected each week. The children will be tested on **Friday** and then if errors have been made, they will have a catch up test on **Monday**.

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.

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.

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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY...

- 3rd June Summer 2 Term begins
- 7th June Celebration Worship @9.15am - all invited
- 14th June - FoSMS Mufti Day
- 20th June - Diversity Role Models in school
- 21st June - Barnes Children's Literature Festival Trip
- 28th June - FoSMS Summer Fair in the playground 3.20pm - 5.00pm
- 5th July - Celebration Worship @ 9.15am
- 5th July Annual Reports sent home
- 10th July Victorian Project due
- 12th July - KS2 Sports Day
- 16th July - Leavers' Outing to Painshill Park
- 18th July - KS2 Production 'Pirates of the Curry Bean' - 1.45pm and 6pm
- 19th July - Y6 Supporting KS1 Sports Day
- 23rd July - Year 6 Leavers' Service at St. Mary's Church - 9.45 am

Y6's very last day with us at St. Mary's will end with the traditional Leavers' Service at St. Mary's Church on Tuesday 23rd July.

The class are to wear their full winter school uniform on this day. Parents and family members will be invited to attend; the service begins at 9.45 am and will last approximately 1 hour. **Children will have officially left the school after the service but are very welcome to attend our final Celebration Worship on Wednesday 24th July in the school hall.**

We are really looking forward to the 'final' half term ahead, we know it is an incredibly busy one but are sure we can all enjoy it to the fullest!
Wishing all of our Year 6 children some wonderful lasting memories, we conclude this final parent letter with thoughts turning to our St. Mary's School Payer:

*O Lord,
Bless our school
That working together
And playing together
We may learn to serve you
And to serve one another
Amen*

Kindest regards,
Mrs Bishop and Mrs Rinaldi