



St Mary's C of E Primary School

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Newsletter—week ending 25th September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to all of the parents who have returned consent for the Open day Video and who have responded to our survey about technology. If you have not yet responded please do so as soon as possible.

I am very keen to keep open lines of communication with you all and given the latest news, it looks unlikely that we are going to be able to welcome you back on site any time soon.

Given the restrictions limiting the meetings we can do on site, I would like to run an update and Q & A session each month for parents to keep you informed.

This will be a pre-recorded video that will be circulated to all parents. If we record it and send it out, then all parents are able to watch it at a time that suits them. The questions I will address will be the ones that parents send in ahead of the video being released. If we do not get any questions then I will simply record an update message for you all.

The first video will be released in October so please submit any questions you have to:

[info@](mailto:info@stmarys-byfleet.surrey.sch.uk) by Monday 12th October.

November submit questions by 12th November

December submit questions by 11th December



Have a great weekend!

Jacque Chambers



Absences

If your child is absent from school, please contact the school office each day to update us.

If your child is absent due to COVID symptoms or isolating due to a family member awaiting test results, please let us know the results as soon as these are received.

We thank you for your support.

Morning Drop Off Changes

As promised back in July and as we prepare for the weather changing, we are making changes to the morning drop off. I am cutting a hole in a fence to make it possible!

As the children are now familiar with their teacher, classroom and route to walk to their classroom, they are now ready to walk themselves into their classrooms, rather than lining up on the playground as they have been doing. Adults will remain in 'high vis' and be positioned along the routes to classrooms to direct children as necessary.

From Monday:

Rectory Lane entry point will be as normal then the one way system will lead to the newly created hole in the wooden fence 3m along from the exit gate in the fence you have already been using. This is to avoid parents walking in front of the KS1 classrooms.

No change to Hart Road entry and exit points.

YR and YN parents - you still continue to take your children to the classroom door and follow the one way system to exit.

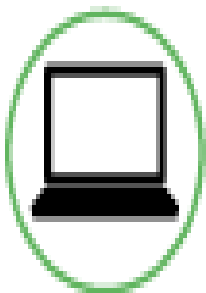
Parents/Carers - there is no change to what you do, you still follow the one way system drop and go. You will still use your allocated gate at your allocated time as you have been doing.

Teachers will discuss the change with their classes ready for Monday.

When the children arrive, they will go straight to their classroom where the teacher will meet them at the door, to hand sanitise before they enter the room.

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5 things you can do to help yourself and your community



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Pupil Premium Funding

We understand that financial situations may have changed significantly for some families with the current COVID-19 situation. As a school we are able to support our pupil premium families. Should your family find themselves having to self-isolate and if you are in receipt of Pupil Premium Free School Meals, please contact the school office as school caterers Twelve15 are offering weekly food goody bags.

Please note this does not apply to Universal Free School Meals.

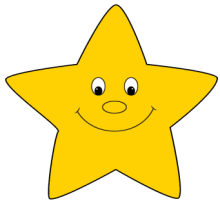
If you think that you may be eligible for the support please email: info@stmarys-byfleet.surrey.sch.uk at your earliest convenience providing your National Insurance Number (each parent if applicable) and your permission for us to check your eligibility on your behalf. Please see application form for details required. This can be found on our website, alternatively we can email a copy to you.

We would love to support you if we can!

Criteria of Eligibility for Pupil Premium – Do either parent’s receive any of the following?

- Income Support
- Income based Jobseeker’s Allowance (IBJSA)
- Income related Employment and Support Allowance (IRESA)
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit, provided you are not entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income (as assessed by HM Revenue & Customs) that does not exceed £16,190- **N.B. If you receive Working Tax Credit you DO NOT qualify even if you receive Child Tax Credit and your income is below £16,190**
- Working Tax Credit ‘run on’ – Paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit.
- Universal Credit.
- Looked After Children (LAC), ie in the care of, or provided with accommodation by an English local authority.
- If your child ceased to be looked after by the local authority because of adoption, a special guardianship order, a child arrangement order or a residence order?
- If either or both parents are regular members of HM Forces?

Application for Pupil Premium will not affect any financial support you are already receiving.



Star of the Week



Moles: Leo - for gaining a great understanding of our Moles classroom rules.

Grace - for being such a kind friend to everyone.

Rabbits: Oscar - for being such a kind friend and a super role model.

Hedgehogs: Jayla—for being so happy and confident in school. Thank you for being so helpful!

Cheetahs: Abdullah - for working so hard in class and always respecting others.

Panthers: Molly D - for always being a helping hand and for your cheerful smile every morning!

Lions: Neve - for sharing her knowledge in Geography. Well done Neve!

Tigers: Jacob - for consistently putting a super effort into all his learning, always with a smile on his face too!

Polar Bears: Tallulah Rose - for being a risk taker by challenging herself in our Science lesson.

Pandas: Bea - for trying her best in all lessons and for demonstrating St. Mary's values.

Elephants: Hayden - for the beautiful presentation in all of his work!

Hippos: Lucy - for putting so much effort into her writing this week.

Kangaroos: Holly - for asking fantastic questions during our Chat Show in English.

Giraffes: Riley C - for excellent participation in group activities and always being ready to learn.

Chimps: Ruby B - for showing excellent concentration, effort and such a positive attitude towards her learning!

Lemurs: Addison F - for always being incredibly focussed on her learning - a great role model to others .

TTRS Superstars

Year 2: Rohann - Lions

Zac - Lions

Harry G - Tigers

Year 3 & 4: Cooper - Hippos

Alp - Hippos

Evan - Elephants

Year 5 & 6: James - Chimps

Abilash - Lemurs

Ellie - Lemurs

Dates for your Diary

(New dates in bold)

26 - 30/10/20	Half Term
08 & 09/12/20	Flu Immunisations
18/12/20	End of Term - 1pm finish
04/01/21	INSET Day
05/01/21	Start of Spring Term
10/02/21	Individual School Photographs (date changed from 2/2/21)