



# The Friday *Flyer*

St Mary's Catholic Primary School

No. 21 25 February 2022

Dear Parents,

Next Wednesday is Ash Wednesday and there will be a service in the main hall at 9am, to which you are invited. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent- a season of prayer and fasting in preparation for Easter. The ashes we receive on our foreheads symbolise the dust from which God made us, and sorrow that we cause when we turn away from God. We hope that you will be able to join us.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Vassallo and Staff



St Mary's is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Designated Safeguarding Leads at St Mary's are Mrs Vassallo, Mrs Durand and Mrs Beirne. They can be contacted at [safeguarding@stmaryscp.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@stmaryscp.co.uk)

### Our Wednesday Word message

Jesus told a parable to his disciples. "Why do you observe the splinter in your friend's eye and never notice the plank in your own eye? How can you say to your friend, 'Friend, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye,' when you cannot see the plank in your own eye? You hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your friend's eye."

A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot produce good fruit. You can tell what a tree is like by the fruit it produces. You cannot pick figs or grapes from brambles. A good person does good things out of the good stored up in their heart; a bad person does bad things out of the badness in their heart. Your words show what is in your heart."

### Attendance this week

RAB	95.8	RES	98.3
1SW	98.8	1JB	92.1
2HH	98.3	2NG	98.1
3AW	99.0	3YL	97.5
4BY	96.8	4AC	95.1
5SR	98.3	5LM	97.8
<b>6EW</b>	<b>99.1</b>	6HW	97.6

### Minutes missed through lateness this week

RAB	51	RES	0
1SW	167	1JB	10
2HH	21	2NG	71
3AW	0	3YL	121
4BY	51	4AC	28
5SR	0	5LM	80
6EW	0	6HW	205

6EW are off to a great start this half term with excellent attendance and punctuality- well done!

### ABSENCE REPORTING:

Text 07719 085 799

Email [pupilabsence@stmaryscp.co.uk](mailto:pupilabsence@stmaryscp.co.uk)



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## British Science Week 2022



### St Mary's Science Week 7-11 March 2022

We are looking forward to Science week which is on GROWTH this year. We have amazing parents and families at St Mary's. As part of our Science week I was hoping parents who use Science in their jobs would be able to help us and tell us a little bit more about their jobs. Don't be shy!

For more details please email [admin@stmaryscp.co.uk](mailto:admin@stmaryscp.co.uk), marked for my attention.

Thank you,

Mrs Harrison

### Breck Foundation information evening

Thank you to everyone who attended last night's presentation and to Miss Boyce for organising it. The meeting was recorded and is available for seven days via this link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/rec/share/5SRMzoSDq2TJn0nCdgl0-G5lpRd7wuEvrEG3R-1V-H340amRBWDEyuRfmgNTiCpL.8XF2ZebI9VfwtFe->

Some slides from the presentation accompany the Friday Flyer.

The Breck Foundation would like your feedback so that they can improve what they offer to parents and would be grateful if attendees could complete this brief form:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSe7HfJA0XZgV-R3Ay7HJjnz9HuRyLYfm03UUe82oCxeWYJxUQ/viewform>

### Book look events

Thank you so much for supporting our Book Looks on Wednesday and Thursday. It was lovely to welcome so many of you into school and to see you discussing your children's work with them.

This half term's parent consultation meeting will be the final ones to take place online; all future meetings will be face-to-face. We are interested in your views on whether these would be useful going forward, and would be grateful if you could complete the brief form here:

### [Book Look Feedback](#)

### Next week at St Mary's

Monday 28 February	3.15pm- 4.30pm: Netball- Y3-5 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Football- Y3-6 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Taekwondo- R,1 & 2
Tuesday 1 March	Pancake races Year 5 and 6HW parent meetings  7.50am- 8.40am: Gymnastics- Y1-5 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Taekwondo- Y3-6 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Multi-sports- Y1&2
Wednesday 2 March	Ash Wednesday service at 9am Year 2 & 3 parent meetings Palace tournament  3.15pm- 4.15pm: Irish dancing- Y3-6 4.15pm- 5.15pm: Irish dancing- Y1-2 3.15pm- 4.20pm: Hockey- Y4-6
Thursday 3 March	World Book Day Twilight parent teacher meetings Girls' football match at Tubbenden  Spotlights- Y1&2 -3.15pm- 4.45pm & 4.45-6.15pm:
Friday 4 March	Lenten devotions at 8.25am (all welcome) Year 3 Forest School Year 2 to Maritime Museum  3.15pm- 4.15pm: Karate- Y1-6

### COVID-19: updated guidance from DfE

Children and young people with COVID-19 should not attend their education setting while they are

infectious. They should take an LFD test from 5 days after their symptoms started (or the day their test was taken if they did not have symptoms) followed by another one the next day. If both these tests results are negative, they should return to their educational setting if they normally attend one, as long as they feel well enough to do so and do not have a temperature.

## Work for children who are absent from school

If your child is absent from school due to COVID-19, work will be set on Teams from the second day of absence. They should complete the work if they are well enough to do so.

If your child is absent for any other reason, work will not be set for them online. With the exception of COVID, if your child is well enough to work at home, they are well enough to be in school.

## On Twitter this week...

Boys' football team success  
Book Look events  
5LM celebrating a milestone in history  
Year 4 dance lessons  
Year 2's Mexican Day

Follow us @StMarysBeck



## Pancake Tuesday

We will have our traditional races on Pancake Tuesday- 1 March. If your child wants to take part, they will need a pancake and a small, light frying pan.

## Easyfundraising

'Easyfundraising turns your everyday online shopping into donations for your good cause, at no cost to you. How? Just visit your favourite retailers through our website and the shop as

normal. Once you've made a purchase the retailer will then make a small donation to your cause to say "thank you".'

We currently have 92 supporters who between them have raised **£2733.50** for the school. Retailers include asos, Sainsbury's, M&S, Asda, Tesco, Sports Direct, Currys Boden and Ocado. Supporters can either download the Easyfundraising app and click through to retailers from there, or go through the Easyfundraising website. The link is here:

[Easyfundraising link- St Mary's](#)

## Request from the PE department

We are looking to upgrade our football kit and seek sponsors who may be able to help with this. If you can help or require further information, please email [admin@stmmaryscp.co.uk](mailto:admin@stmmaryscp.co.uk).  
Mrs Wynn- PE Leader

**ROUND TOWERS**  
MINOR CLUB

**GAELIC FOOTBALL TASTER SESSIONS**  
**BOYS 11YRS - 16YRS** **FREE!**

Trinity School  
Addiscombe Road  
Croydon

Every Wednesday  
From 23rd Feb  
5.45pm - 7.00pm

**FOR MORE INFO:**  
Danny O'Donovan **07796 934748**  
Timmy O'Donovan **07809 642060**

**REQUIRED:**  
TOP, SHORTS, SOCKS, & TRAINERS  
(NO FOOTBALL BOOTS WITH STUDS)

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All policies are available from the school on request.

