



# St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents,

As we look towards the last week of term, Year 5 are putting the finishing touches to their Passion Play. It has been three years since we were last able to share this beautiful act of worship with a live audience and the children look forward to welcoming their families on Thursday afternoon.

The sun is out and Mother's Day is just around the corner-1 hope all of our mums enjoy their special day.

Please remember that we close at 2pm next Friday for the Easter holiday.

Kind regards,

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

#### Attendance this week

RAB	94.6	RES	93.5
1SW	96.4	1JB	93.7
2HH	98.7	2NG	99.0
3AW	97.1	3YL	96.7
4BY	97.9	4AC	97.1
5SR	96.3	5LM	96.3
6EW	97.8	6HW	99.6

# Minutes missed through lateness this week

RAB	0	RES	0
1SW	4	1JB	13
2HH	14	2NG	4
3AW	0	3YL	0
4BY	3	4AC	5
5SR	6	5LM	4
6EW	0	6HW	12

Well done to **6HW** for being our attendance champions and to **Reception**, **Year 3** and **6EW** for no minutes learning lost.

#### ABSENCE REPORTING:

Text 07719 085 799

Email pupilabsence@stmaryscp.co.uk



# Our Wednesday Word

Forgiveness is the lifeblood of any family or community. In this Sunday's Gospel the younger son insults his father; his inheritance is all he thinks about. To make matters worse,



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his reason for returning is not love or consideration for his father, but simply his own desperate hunger. The father doesn't even question his son's motives. He welcomes his son back with the open heart and the open arms of forgiveness.

The message for us is that, whatever we may have done wrong, if we are truly sorry, we can still count on the loving forgiveness of God, who is our Father, and on the freedom that his forgiveness brings.

Dom Henry Wansbrough

### On Twitter this week @StMarysBeck

Photos from International Day for the Elimination of Racism
St Mary's girls' football team success!
Year 4 breakdance lessons

Reception carpenters at work Quiz night

#### PTA thanks

Last Friday night's quiz night was a success with parents joining us from almost every year group across the school. Thanks to our PTA for arranging such an enjoyable evening and to everyone who came along to support us.

All money raised is spent directly on our children. Current projects are fixed climbing equipment for the Reception playground and a new phonics scheme for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

#### **Parking**

Please think of our neighbours when parking on roads surrounding St Mary's. We had a complaint and photograph this morning of a car with registration ending 'OXO' which was parked directly across a garage driveway on Foxgrove Avenue, blocking a car parked in there.

Community police and traffic enforcement officers have been visiting the area more frequently in recent weeks and we want you to avoid getting a ticket.

#### Can you help Reception?

The Reception team would be grateful for donations of pants for girls and boys, socks, tights and spare shorts. Thank you.

Next week at St Mary's			
Monday 28 March	Easter activities for Reception & KS1		
March	3.15pm- 4.30pm: Netball- Y3-5 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Football- Y3-6 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Taekwondo- R,1 &		
Tuesday 29 March	Reconciliation service for KS2 at 9am followed by Year 6 confessions		
	7.50am- 8.40am: Gymnastics- Y1-5 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Taekwondo- Y3-6 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Multi-sports- Y1&2		
Wednesday 30 March	Secondhand uniform sale (amphitheatre 3.15)		
	3.15pm- 4.15pm: Irish dancing- Y3-6 4.15pm- 5.15pm: Irish dancing- Y1-2 3.15pm- 4.20pm: Hockey- Y4-6		
Thursday 31 March	Year 5 Passion Play at 2pm Spotlights- Y1&2 -3.15pm- 4.45pm & 4.45-6.15pm:		
Friday 1 April	Lenten devotions at 8.25am (all welcome) End of term Mass at 9.10am Parent coffee morning following Mass Easter bonnet parade at 10.30am Easter egg hunt at 10.45am  Closing at 2pm for Easter  3.15pm- 4.15pm: Karate- Y1-6		

# A date list for the summer term accompanies the Friday Flyer.

### Covid

There has been an increase in the number of Covid cases across the school during the last two weeks, with some children who had Covid between November and January becoming unwell with it again. Lateral flow tests are available free of charge from pharmacies and online until the end of March so it may be worthwhile ensuring that you have a supply.

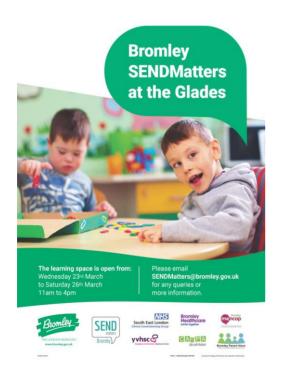
For ease of reference, this is what happens if your child tests positive:

Day 0	Day of positive test- at home	
Day 1	At home	
Day 2	At home	
Day 3	At home	
Day 4	At home	
Day 5	At home. Take lateral flow test	
Day 6	Take lateral flow test before	
	school. If lateral flow tests on	
	Day 5 and Day 6 are clear, child	
	returns to school on Day 6.	
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If child continues to test positive from Day 7 onwards, they may return to school provided they don't have a temperature.

## SEND drop-in event

There will be a drop in event for parents and children with SEN in the Glades from Wednesday  $23^{rd}$  - Saturday  $26^{th}$  March. For more information or to find out how the SEN team in Bromley can support families, please refer to SENDMatters@bromley.gov.uk. Mrs Durand.



All policies are available from the school on request.





90 minute Tour to Meet the Animals £10pp PRE BOOKING ESSENTIAL Egg Hunt\* Games\* Stalls

Refreshments Available

