



# The Friday *Flyer*

St Mary's Catholic Primary School

No. 13 9 December 2022

Dear Parents and Families,

Last night, for the first time in three years, we celebrated the KS2 Carol Service at St Edmund's. It was a joy to have our community together again and to be able to reflect on the Christmas story. The children were superb and we have had so many lovely comments from parents today. Thank you to everyone involved and especially our children, Miss Ambrose (music), Miss Harrison (direction) and the KS2 team.

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

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)

## Attendance matters

RAB	91.5	RHH	89.9
1SW	93.0	1DS	86.1
2NG	86.3	2BY	89.1
3YL	93.9	3ES	94.3
4AC	94.0	4JB	95.7
5SR	94.0	<b>5LM</b>	<b>95.8</b>
6EW	92.6	6HW	93.8

**Best class for attendance this week- 5LM.**

Please call the school office **by 8am** if your child will be absent from school and each day until they are well enough to return.

## Important links

### [Curriculum at a Glance](#)

Information on what your child will learn each term.

### [Our Parent Handbook](#)

A reference document for all things St Mary's, produced in response to July's parent survey. If there are any other areas you would like to be included, I am open to your feedback. Simply email [academy@stmaryscp.co.uk](mailto:academy@stmaryscp.co.uk).



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## Equality, Diversity and Inclusion

### Inspirational Person for next week - Professor Dame Elizabeth Anionwu

Dame Elizabeth is a pioneering nurse who was UK's very first sickle cell and thalassaemia nurse specialist, as well as helping to establish the Sickle Cell Society. She was also a great admirer of Mary Seacole and set up a nursing practice in her honour.



## Contacting the school office

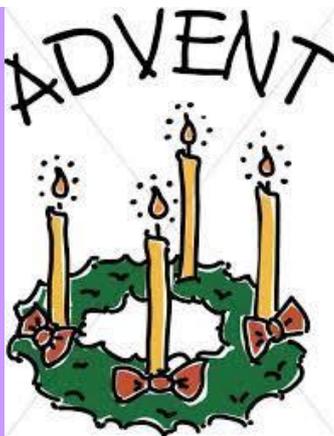
Please could we ask that if you need to email the office, you do so using the school email address:

**admin@stmaryscp.co.uk**

Unfortunately if you use any other address - **including the one from which you have received the Friday Flyer**, your message could be missed.

## Advent Devotions

During Advent we are encouraged to prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. One of the ways in which you can do this is to join us in praying the rosary each Friday of Advent at 8.30am in the main hall. There is a prayer sheet to follow and everyone is welcome to come along - you do not have to be Catholic.



## Keeping Children Safe

The Amazon Fire Tablet is a popular device and children may well have one on their list for Christmas. Accompanying the Friday Flyer is a useful information sheet with tips on using the device and advice on security measures to protect children.

## Mobile devices

If your child travels to school unaccompanied and needs a mobile phone, they are handed into the office for safekeeping. For safeguarding reasons, children may not wear smart watches in school. Simple fitness trackers without internet connectivity or cameras are fine.



## BYMT news

BYMT Roundabout is a new group starting in January 2023 at Bromley Youth Music Trust, Southborough Lane, Bromley, BR2 8AA on Saturday mornings, 9.15-11.00am.

This new fun group is for children in school years 1, 2 & 3. During the sessions children will get the opportunity to learn keyboards, djembe drumming, recorders, and ocarinas - and is an excellent start to the child's musical journey. It will help to them to develop musical awareness, pitch and rhythm as well as a basic understanding of playing an instrument and participating in a group activity. Please

visit <https://tinyurl.com/yj3x7ebt> or call 020 8467 1566 for more information.

Ms Ambrose



## Twitter feed @StMarysBeck.

Year 5 Thames river adventure

4AC forest school



## Request from St Edmund's

We're desperately short of flower arrangers at St Edmund's and need more volunteers: please contact the parish office for more information.  
Fr Ashley

## Next week at St Mary's

Monday 12 December	<b>Mini Vinnies to St Edmund's</b>  3.15pm- 4.30pm: Netball- Y3-6 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Football- Y3-6 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Taekwondo- R, Y1 & 2
Tuesday 13 December	<b>Open morning for prospective applicants 10.30am</b> <b>Reception Christmas Nativity 2pm</b>  7.50am- 8.40am: Gymnastics- Y1-6 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Taekwondo- Y3-6 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Multi-sports- Y1&2
Wednesday 14 December	<b>Year 3 visit to the Picturehouse cinema</b>  3.15pm- 4.15pm: Irish dancing- Y3-6 4.15pm- 5.15pm: Irish dancing- Y1&2 <del>3.15pm- 4.20pm: Hockey- Y4-6</del> <b>NO HOCKEY</b>
Thursday 15 December	<b>KS1 Christmas production at 2pm</b> <b>Year 4 to the Fairfield Halls</b>  3.15pm- 4.15pm: Spotlights- Y1&2 4.45pm to 6.15pm Spotlights- Years 3-6
Friday 16 December	<b>Advent devotions</b>  <b>Christmas jumper day for CAFOD</b>  <b>Reception visit to the Picturehouse cinema</b>  3.15pm- 4.15pm: Karate- Y4-6 4.25pm- 5.25pm: Karate- Y1-3

*All policies are available from the school on request.*