



# The Friday *Flyer*

St Mary's Catholic Primary School

No. 3 17 September 2021

Dear Parents

The school year is off to a great start and everyone is settling into routines. We are enjoying getting to know our new children and families.

Mrs Durand and I are outside every morning and are happy to speak with you if you have any questions, comments or just want to chat!

Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Mrs Vassallo and Staff

### Save the date!

The Family Fun Fest is on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> September from 12.30pm to 4.30pm and we hope to see you there. Please spread the word!



### Our Wednesday Word message

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus once again reminds the disciples - and us too - that a life of service is the best life to live. Life can be so busy and full of the things we really like doing that it's quite easy to forget about serving others. The Church teaches that we grow in the love of God through serving each other.



*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)*

### Next week at St Mary's

Monday 20 September	6HW swimming 1pm- 2pm  8am-8.50am: Yoga- all year groups 3.15pm- 4.30pm: Netball- Y3-5 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Football- Y3-6 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Taekwondo- R, I & 2
Tuesday 21 September	6HW swimming 1pm- 2pm  7.50am- 8.40am: Gymnastics- Y1-5 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Taekwondo- Y3-6 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Multi-sports- Y1&2



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Wednesday 22 September	6HW swimming 1pm- 2pm 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Irish dancing- Y3-6 4.15pm- 5.15pm: Irish dancing- Y1&2 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Running- Y2&3 3.15pm- 4.20pm: Hockey- Y4-6
Thursday 23 September	6HW swimming 1pm- 2pm 7.50am- 8.40am: Yoga- R-6 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Spotlights- Y1&2
Friday 24 September	6HW swimming 1pm- 2pm 6EW to forest school 3.15pm- 4.15pm: Karate- Y4-6 4.25pm- 5.25pm: Karate- Y1-3
<b>Saturday 25 September</b>	<b>Family Fun Fest 12.30pm- 4.30pm</b>

### Attendance

Please note that holidays in term time will not be authorised. Attendance below 90% is persistent absenteeism.

RAB		RES	
1SW	97.8	1JB	97.7
2HH	97.6	2NG	98.4
3AW	99.4	3YL	96.5
4BY	98.7	4AC	97.9
5SR	99.2	5LM	99.5
6EW	98.4	6HW	96.6

**The class with the best attendance this half term will have a home clothes day on 15 October. Best class for attendance so far: 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.

### Contact details

Please make sure that we have up-to-date details for you in case we need to reach you during the school day. You need to provide at least four contacts who are close enough to the school to be able to collect your child in an emergency. If you need to update your details, email Mrs Tracey at [admin@stmaryscp.co.uk](mailto:admin@stmaryscp.co.uk).

### Relationships Education

Should you wish to, you are able to access the teaching programme we are using to deliver Relationships Education in school. You can view

parental guidance on the content of lessons taught and see suggestions for activities that could be undertaken at home to support the children's learning. The half-termly curriculum newsletters sent by your child's teacher signposts the RSE topics your child will be covering.

If you have any queries or comments please do get in touch with me.

Thank you  
Eve Harrison (RSE Subject Leader)

### Welcome to...

Baby Matthias- a little brother for Martin in Year 2. Congratulations to the Ares-Rojas family.



### Twitter

Our Twitter feed has been quiet of late but from next week, we will post regular updates. Follow us @StMarysBeck.

### Coffee morning

Hi everyone

We, in year 4, are hosting a Macmillan coffee morning on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> October** in the small school hall after drop off **9am-10:30am**, to raise money and awareness in support of a fellow year 4 mum, who is undergoing treatment for breast cancer. Please come and join us to enjoy a tea/coffee and slice of homemade cake, in exchange for a donation. All are welcome.

*If you can't make the coffee morning but would still like to support the event, we will be asking for baked goods homemade or bought, as donations dropped to the small hall, on the morning of the event.*

In addition to this, a group of us (including some of the year 4 children) are running a 3k, 5k or 10k Race for Life on **Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October** at Crystal Palace Park. Our fundraising page is here:

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/team/st>

**-marys-group** (please sponsor one of the team)  
If you would like to come and cheer us on or join in the event, please do let us know!

Sally (07850659255) & Maria (07720631982)  
On behalf of your year 4 parents

### **Sleeping Beauty panto tickets update** (WEDNESDAY 15th DECEMBER CHURCHILL THEATRE BROMLEY) £20

We sold out of 360 tickets in just under 2days! 😊  
But for those that might have missed out, we have managed to secure a further 40 tickets to sell and they are currently on sale on ParentPay.  
So to avoid disappointment, be quick, before it's too late!

### **COVID-19 guidance**

#### **What should I do if my child has COVID-19 symptoms?**

If your child has any of the main COVID-19 symptoms (a high temperature, a new continuous cough, or a loss or change to sense of smell or taste), they should not attend school and should stay at home. You should arrange for them to get a PCR test and send the school a copy of the test results. Your child should not attend school while you are waiting for test results, even if they are feeling better. If the test is negative, they should go to school as normal. If they test positive, they should continue to isolate and follow public health advice.

Schools no longer trace close contacts - close contacts will be identified via NHS Test and Trace

#### **What happens if my child has been in contact with someone with COVID-19 symptoms?**

If your child has been identified as a close contact, you will be advised that your child takes a PCR test. They will not have to self-isolate, unless they have a positive PCR test result.

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

Summer/Autumn 2021

**BROMLEY Y**  
Building Strengths

### Webinar for Parents & Carers

## Helping Children with Fears and Worries

A free, one-off session supporting parents and carers of school-aged children

Understand more about anxiety in children and young people

Consider ways to build confidence at this challenging and uncertain time

Find out about strategies to help your child explore and manage worries

Learn more about local services and online options for further support

Each webinar lasts for 90 mins and is delivered online via Microsoft Teams, facilitated by Bromley Y practitioners.

**Primary Webinars**

Tues 10th Aug @ 10.30am
Sat 11th Sept @ 10.30am
Thurs 14th Oct @ 1.00pm
Sat 15th Nov @ 10.30am
Wed 8th Dec @ 1.00pm

**Secondary Webinars**

Tues 3rd Aug @ 10.30am
Sat 4th Sept @ 10.30am
Wed 6th Oct @ 1.00pm
Sat 6th Nov @ 10.30am
Thurs 2nd Dec @ 1.00pm

Places can be booked on the [Bromley Y Eventbrite Page](#).

**Bromley Y, School Wellbeing Service**  
Improving Access to Wellbeing Support – Support Calls

*Is your child experiencing difficulties with their emotional wellbeing? Are they feeling anxious and/or low and you are uncertain how to support them?*

During these unprecedented times we would like to make it as easy as possible for young people and their parents/carers to receive appropriate wellbeing support. Up until the Christmas break, we are offering consultations via phone/video (up to 30mins) to talk to one of our practitioners. The aim of this is to provide advice and guidance to support the wellbeing of your child.

Email: [swswellbeingsupport@bromleyy.org](mailto:swswellbeingsupport@bromleyy.org)  
Please provide your name, phone number, child's school, best times to call (morning or afternoon), a brief description of what you wish to discuss.

We will do our best to call within 5 working days to help you think about how to get the help you need. This may lead to a referral into our service or sign posting to a more appropriate service with your consent.

Visit [www.bromley-y.org](http://www.bromley-y.org) for self-help support



### **Spanish Courses for Adults - Beckenham**

Mrs Vitoria-Barnett, Mum of Sienna in Year 1, will be holding a 6-week "Spanish for Holidays" Course in St. George's Hall, 27 Albemarle Road, Beckenham, BR3 5HZ, for 6 consecutive Tuesdays, starting on Tuesday 21st September and ending on the 26th October 2021, from 19:30 till 21:00.

If you are interested in joining the class, please contact Mrs Vitoria-Barnett :

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