



ST MARY MAGDALEN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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It has been good to hear the plans to lift restrictions in the near future. For us as a school this will mean just a few changes and hopefully many more opportunities for us to come together as a community. We are currently looking at scheduling in our class assemblies over the next half term and we hope to be able to welcome parents back in to these joyful celebrations of your children's achievements – it feels like it has been far too long.

However, whilst restrictions within the country are lifting, the school may be advised to put in place additional measures should there be a large number of cases at St Mary Magdalen's. We have a contingency plan and continue to monitor the number of cases within the school and seek advice from Public Health England and the London Coronavirus Response Cell.

We are incredibly grateful to parents for continuing to be so vigilant and for carrying our Lateral Flow Device testing when their child has been a close contact. Cases are rising within the school so this is vital to minimise disruption.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 26th January – School Streets Team in school at drop off

Wednesday 26th January - Reception and Year 6 - National Child Measurement

Monday 31st January – Individual Support Plan Meetings

Tuesday 1st February – Individual Support Plan Meetings

Thursday 3rd February – Individual Support Plan Meetings

Tuesday 8th February – Parents' Evening – 4-6pm

Thursday 10th February – Parents' Evening – 5-7pm - CHANGE OF DATE

Monday 14th – Friday 18th February – Half Term

Monday 21st February – INSET – School Closed

Week Commencing Monday 28th February – Online Safety Week

Wednesday 2nd March – Ash Wednesday – Distribution of the Ashes – Years 3-6

Thursday 17th March – Lent Reconciliation Services in school

Thursday 24th March - Cyber Use and Cyber Crime Talk for Parents 5-6.30pm

Thursday 31st March – Way of the Cross led by Year 6

Friday 1st April – School Closes for Easter Holidays at 1pm

Monday 3rd – Monday 18th April - Easter Holidays

Tuesday 19th April – Start of Summer Term

School Photographs

Thank you so much to Mrs Barrett for organizing our school photographs this week. Vancols Photographers are pleased to confirm that the School Photographs are ready to view using the QR code on your proof card
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(these were in children's bags on Wednesday). If you have already scanned the QR code on the Proof and registered you will receive an auto email notification.

If you have not done it yet, don't panic, you can still view by scanning the QR code on your Proof and following the instructions. If by chance you have not received your Proof or it has been lost you can call Vancols Parent Line on 01206 273711, you will need an admission number from the school.

Parents' Evening

Apologies for the change of date for Parents' Evening. Due to training being cancelled we are now able to run our Parents' Evenings as usual on Tuesday 8th February (4-6pm) and Thursday (5-7pm). More details about arranging your appointment will follow shortly.

School Streets Scheme

St Mary Magdalen's is always looking for ways to help our children to stay fit and to help make our local area as happy and healthy a place as possible. We know that walking to school helps cut down on air pollution and congestion and so we are looking into becoming part of the School Streets Scheme. Members of the team will be at school on Wednesday at drop off if you would like to find out more. You will also receive a letter from the team with more information on Monday.

Kickstart

St Mary Magdalen's Catholic Primary school is participating in the Kickstart Scheme which provides funding to employers to create jobs for 16 to 24-year olds on Universal Credit. A Teaching Assistant role is currently being advertised at St Mary Magdalen's Primary School. Click the link below if you would like more information or contact your work coach at the job centre. <https://findajob.dwp.gov.uk/details/7092996>

Pupils of the Week

Reception – Paddling Class – William Lines

Year 1 – Circus Class – Roberto Grimaldi

Year 2 – Tribe Class – Cara Weldon

Year 3D – Leap Class – Kairo Nguyen

Year 3FC – Zeal Class – Ruairi Devine

Year 4 – Journey Class – Vakaris Narkevicius

Year 5 – Aurora Class – Lottie Watson

Year 6 – Parade Class – Erin Terry

Headteacher's Award for Exceptional Work

Oriana Chamula, Abigail Sponsler, Ava Terry for incredible descriptive writing

Cristiano Gorges for thoughtful RE work

Nyah Christopher for making an excellent effort with her handwriting

Angus Aitchison and Lottie Watson for fantastic sentence writing

I hope you have a lovely weekend with your children,
Catherine Hughes
Headteacher

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