

# St Mary's Nursery Class

May/June 2021

Newsletter

## Hello

Hi everyone,  
We hope you all had a lovely Easter holiday, its lovely to see everyone back. We can't believe that we are in our last term of nursery, it has been a difficult year but we are happy that everyone has returned to nursery and is looking forward to the last term which is very busy.



## Photographer

We have a photographer coming to nursery on Thursday the 27<sup>th</sup> May to take individual photos of all the nursery children. If this is a day that your child does not attend can you please speak to staff and we can arrange a time for you to come along to have their photograph taken.

## Graduation



Our graduation for the pre-school children will take place on the 14<sup>th</sup> June. At the moment this will take place virtually with staff recording the pre-school graduation and emailing out to the parents. Due to current guidance we are at present not allowed parents within the building to celebrate this together as we would have in the past. However we will confirm this by the 1<sup>st</sup> June if the guidance changes to allow us to have a graduation where parents can come along.

## Parents Meetings

Parents meetings will take place from the 2<sup>nd</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> June these will be either through a phone call or in our cook room, this is just a little chat for approximately 10 minutes about how your child is at nursery and to give you the opportunity to ask any of their key workers questions. Staff will be giving out appointment times, if these times or dates are unsuitable please let us know and we can arrange staff to call at a more appropriate time. On the day of your appointment please follow the yellow arrows in the school yard and wait at the door for staff and please wear a mask in school grounds. Please also be aware of not crossing into any school bubbles of children as they use this outdoor space for learning.

## Sports day



We are trying to arrange a sports day for the nursery children at the moment which with current guidance will be just the children participating. A date will be confirmed but we are hoping for it to be in June.

## Dates for your Diary

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Thurs 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Photographer
Fri 28 <sup>th</sup> May	Holiday
Mon 31 <sup>st</sup> May	Holiday
June	Sports Day TBC
2 <sup>nd</sup> June - 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Parents meetings
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Graduation Recording
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Nursery closes at 1pm
Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Pupils return

## Sessions

A polite request, could we please ask that you adhere to the session times 8.50am to 2.50pm, unless staff are aware that you collect out with these times. When parents/carers arrive at the gates unexpectedly out with session times it can cause disruption to the children who are already engaged in play within the playroom. Staff are having to leave learning experiences to come to the gate, which is disrupting children's learning. Due to current guidelines the children in the primary school are outdoors more for learning. Can we ask if you are walking through the school grounds that you respect the teachers and pupils that are there by sticking to the white arrows to take you around to the nursery. Children should be collected no later than 2.50pm. **If you require to collect or drop off your child outside these times please inform the staff by phone or at the gate in the morning.** Can you please share this with anyone else who collects your child/children. At all times can we ask that you are polite and respectful to all staff and pupils in the school/nursery grounds. Thank



## Nursery celebration

On the last day of term we are having a party for the children. If your child does not attend this day could you please speak to staff so that arrangements could be made for them to attend. We would be grateful nearer the time for any donations of food, drinks, decorations, plates and cups.

## Tigers and Frogs

The children continue to be interested in dressing up as people who help us. A new fire service construction toy was added to the playroom, the children have been learning to follow instructions to recreate the models in the pictures on the box. The children were consulted in changing the house corner which they asked to be changed to a café and shop. The children have been enjoying shopping and using the till/ money to pay for shopping. They are still interested in sensory play, they have been exploring playdough and sugar on trays by drawing pictures in it. Outdoors they have been observing the World around them looking up, down and inside. The children have been learning to stop and take time to discover nature and their outdoor environment.

## Ladybirds and Dolphins

Children are continuing to enjoy sensory activities. A wide variety of sensory experiences and resources have been provided on a daily basis. Particular favourites have been the water and playdough. Both have had different textures, smells and colours have been added. Indoors and outdoors the children have been enjoying playing with different modes of transport, staff added new resources both in and out for the children to explore. Another area of interest have been the jigsaws where children are developing their hand eye coordination, observation skills and listening to staff when they require some support. In both bubbles the children also had an opportunity to participate in Easter learning experiences for example making Easter nests, chicks and baskets to take home.



## Peanut Allergy

It is very important that you do not allow your child to bring in any food to the nursery.

## Snack/Activity

Can you please remember that we have a snack/activity fund this helps us to buy resources for the children and snack food. A suggested donation of £2.50 a week would be gratefully received.

## Change of Clothes

Could we ask that you provide your children with a change of clothes for the nursery due to toileting accidents, playing outdoors and messy play indoors. Can we also ask you to return any borrowed nursery clothes as we are limited in supplies. Thank you to parents who have donated clothes recently this has been a great help and we continue to accept any future donations.

## Support

I would like to thank all the parents/carers who generously provided us with garden resources for the children to use, they are all enjoying using these. The nursery ladies are available if you require any support. We can be contacted by phone, email and at the gate if you would like to chat, ask questions or need advice. We will try our best to support you at this challenging time any future donations.

## Birthdays

We would like to wish the following children a Happy Birthday in March.

*Aaron, Tilly, Shanice, Karis, Yasmin, Lexi, Sophie, Amelia*



## Mobile Numbers/ Email

If you are not receiving any of our text messages or emails please call the school office to check or update your mobile or email address. We only send out the newsletter by email now and would not like for you not to receive it. You can also check the school website for information too. Thanks

## REMINDERS

**Absence** - Please remember if your child is absent from nursery to call the office on the first day.

**Sickness/Tummy Bugs** – Children should not return until 48hours clear due to passing on the infection.

**New Contact Details** – If you have changed any contact details – Address/home/ mobile number or email, please pass this onto the nursery staff or the school office. It is very important that we have up to date information in case of an emergency.

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