



S^t Mary's C of E Primary School
'Excellence Together, Learning through Faith'

Update Friday 26th April 2019

Headteacher Miss V M Hunt

Core Christian Value for this half term: Love

Learning to learn skill : Determination

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the start of the Summer term. I hope you all had a relaxing break over the Easter holiday. I would like to say a huge thank you the School Association, especially Mrs Draper, for all their hard work in repairing and painting the Forest school fence over the holidays.
V. M. Hunt

New Children

We would like to welcome two new children who have joined St Mary's, Jacob in Year 4 and Harry in Year 1.

SIAMS (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools)

Further to our letter dated 6th February (attached) we have been contacted by the Diocese and informed that our SIAMS inspection is to take place next Thursday, 2nd May. We will be able to inform you of the outcome as soon as the official report is received by us, following the Inspection.

Out of School Achievements

Benjamin (Y1) and May (Y4) have been awarded 'Player of the Term' trophies by Ross & Andy Football Club.

Daniel (Y2) has been awarded a 5m backstroke swimming certificate.

Felix (Y5) has been awarded a trophy for 'Best Grading' in his yellow belt Tae Kwon-Do examination.

Harriet (Y1) has passed Level 2 of the Learn to Swim scheme.

Isabelle (R) has passed Level 1 of the Learn to Swim scheme.

Leo (Y1) has been awarded a 5m backstroke swimming certificate.

Congratulations to you all.

Sports News

A great performance from the boys football team in their semi-final on April 1st. The final score was The Reddings 0-7 St Marys.

Goals scored by Luke Bradley (2), Jack Hardcastle (2), Callum Powell, Robin Sales and Olly Cooley.

Raincoats

Please ensure that your child has a raincoat with them each day.

News from Reception

Welcome back, I hope you all had a great Easter. Our topic this term is 'Into the Wild' and already we have read Handa's Surprise. We have also explored some African artefacts and added labels. In Forest school we made a garden of Remembrance looking back to Easter which includes a tomb! I have heard all about their Easter adventures and have begun looking at all your wonderful tapestry uploads. The children really enjoy sharing these. I would like to thank you all for sending your delightful children back to me with such fabulous learning attitudes. It is a real joy to teach them. We all feel very privileged.

Mrs Bates

Pre-school bulletin 26/4/19

A very warm welcome back to you all, we hope you all enjoyed the Easter break.

This week at Pre-school we have really enjoyed seeing the children so happy to see their friends again, and we have settled the children back into our routine.

This half term we shall be talking about life cycles and growth. Nursery presently have an incubator with 20 eggs that will hopefully produce chicks in approximately 3 weeks time. This fits in nicely with seeing the ducklings along the canal as it gives us all an opportunity to talk about the baby animals that we see around us.

Further into the term we shall also be looking at the tadpole to frog, and caterpillar to butterfly life cycle. This all forms part of their Knowledge and Understanding of the World development.

If you would like to enquire about a place at Pre-school, please see Lisa Burkett at the end of the school day, or email

stmaryspreschool.northchurch@gmail.com

Music Lessons

Please note that a full half term's notice is required to cancel a music lesson.

School Office

The school office opening hours are:

08:30 – 09:30am

14:30 – 15:20pm

Please avoid contacting the office outside of these times.

The school appreciates that sometimes parents receive numerous emails on one day. All emails are titled to try and help parents quickly determine if the email is of interest to them and emails are only sent to the appropriate class.

All emails to the school office must be sent to admin@stmarys916.herts.sch.uk

Emails should not be sent via the School Gateway as this inbox account is not monitored.

Breakfast Club

Parents arriving after 8.00 a.m. please use the main entrance to the school.

Please contact Breakfast Club via email breakfast.club@stmarys916.herts.sch.

Title	Class	Via
Game On Athletics & Rounders	5 & 6	Email
Game On Football Club	3 & 4	Email
Game On Summer Sports	2 - 4	Email
Game On Tennis Club	5 & 6	Email
Spring Term RE Update	All	Email
Nursery Newsletter 5/4/2019 & 26/4/2019	N	Email
Year 6 Science Testing Letter	6	Email
Curriculum Letters	1,2,3,4,5,6	Email

Please contact the office if you did not receive any of the above letters.

Event	Date & Time
Year 1 Phonics Screening Meeting (Hall)	Monday 29th April at 2:45pm
Film Club	Wednesday 1 st May
SIAMS Inspection	Thursday 2 nd May
Year 6 Treat Friday	Friday 3 rd May
Bank Holiday	Monday May 6 th
KS2 SATS Week	Week Commencing Monday May 13 th
Year 4 Residential Trip to Woodrow	Wednesday 15 th May – Friday 17 th May
British Values Week	Week Commencing Monday May 20 th
Year 4 Class Assembly	Thursday 23 rd May – 9.10am
Open Classrooms	Friday 24 th May – 3.20pm to 3.45pm
Foundation Stage Treat Friday	Friday 24 th May
Half term	Monday 27 th May – Friday 31 st May

Next newsletter on Friday 10th May

I hope you all have a happy and relaxing weekend.

Miss V.M. Hunt

Term Dates Academic Year 2018-19

Summer Term 2019

Tuesday 23 April	Staff INSET (4)
Wednesday 24 April	Pupils return
Monday 6 May	Bank Holiday (school closed)
Monday 27 – Fri 31 May	Half term break
Monday 3 June	Pupils return
Tuesday 23 July	End of term (early closure)
Wednesday 24 July	Staff INSET (5)

Term Dates Academic Year 2019-20

Autumn Term 2019

Monday 2 September	Staff INSET (1)
Tuesday 3 September	Pupils return
Friday 25 October	Staff INSET (2)
Mon 28 October to Friday 1 November	Half term break
Monday 4 November	Pupils return
Friday 20 December	End of term (early closure)

Spring Term 2020

Monday 6 January	Staff INSET (3)
Tuesday 7 January	Pupils Return
Mon 17 – Fri 21 February	Half term break
Monday 24 February	Pupils return
Friday 3 April	End of term (early closure)

Summer Term 2020

Monday 20 April	Staff INSET (4)
Tuesday 21 April	Pupils return
Monday 4 May	Bank Holiday (school closed)
Monday 25 – Fri 29 May	Half term break
Monday 1 June	Pupils return
Friday 17 July	End of term (early closure)
Monday 20 July	Staff INSET (5)
Tuesday 21 July	Occasional Day