



# St Mary's News 2021 September Issue 1

Dear Parents,

Welcome back! The start to term has been a great one. Children in nearly all cases, have been happy, healthy hardworking, kind, well dressed and ready to learn. What more can we ask. ☺ It was an absolute pleasure to hear the children singing in school, in unison, once more, this week. Staff actually stopped what they were doing to listen. We have missed those happy sides of school.

For those of you new to the school- a warm welcome. This weekly newsletter, issued each Thursday afternoon, supports our Twitter feed, our website, class pages, emails and texts as needed, as a regular reminder and update on school life here at SMA . It is also posted on the website with the parish newsletter.

We hope that you all had a good summer break - the many healthy tanned children indicate that they did! Please find updates below, as the term unfolds.

Our First Congratulations Assembly is tomorrow morning. We have made the decision to continue to involve parents remotely, via Twitter and class pages. Please join up to our Twitter account if you have not already done so. Please also keep an eye on your child's class page as the year unfolds to find out who is being congratulated.

## Reminders

**Sandwich boxes** These can now be used, once more in school. However, the wrappers and finished lunches need to be brought home, to avoid overloads of litter/recycling requirements in school. It also gives parents the opportunity to monitor what is and is not eaten.

**KS2 Music lessons** - Clarinet /Flute to commence 23/9/21. Payments via the gateway please.  
Guitar, Drums and Keyboard to commence on 16/9/21.  
Violin to commence on 14/9/21. Payments for these via tutors' bank account direct, please.

**Food in school** All toast and dinner monies to be paid via the school gateway.

**Hair-** Please ensure that hair is tied back, safely and not coloured or excessively gelled - as part of our professional, smart appearance.

## Coming soon ...

**Welcome Briefings-** All parents from R-Y6 will be welcomed into school, in the next two weeks for a Welcome Briefing, with their class teacher at 3.30-4pm, after collection. School aged children will be looked after by staff, parents will be inducted into the new year group. You will receive a letter detailing the agenda from your children, **but please note the dates in your diary as follows:**

**Y6 Tues 14<sup>th</sup> September Y5 Wed 15<sup>th</sup> September  
Y4 Thurs 16<sup>th</sup> September Y3 Fri 17<sup>th</sup> September  
Y2 Mon 20<sup>th</sup> September Y1 Tues 21<sup>st</sup> September  
Rec Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> September**

**Y6 Bikeability-** Watch out for a letter via email very soon.

**Class Showcases** - We look forward to inviting you in to share your children's successes. Watch out for these as the term unfolds.



*Peace begins with a smile.*

We remember the feast day of St Theresa of Calcutta, one of our school saints, last Sunday.

## And Finally...

Please remember Mrs Murray in your prayers, across the weekend, as her lovely Mum passed away last night.

