

Term Dates: Thursday 2nd September to Friday 17th December 2021

Half Term Holiday: Monday 25th October to Friday 29th October

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Prayer to Our Lady in the Month of the Holy Rosary

Mother Most Gracious,
Pray for us as we go about our daily lives;
that we may work hard, be kind, and always do our best.
That we keep safe, as we grow in your love and care.
That we believe in ourselves, achieve our potential, and aspire to be the best we can be.
Help us to follow the example of your Son, Jesus, as we learn to understand more about the
wonderful world which God has created for us. Amen.



The playground gate is open as follows:

Morning – from 8.15 a.m. to 8.45 a.m.

Afternoon - from 3.00 p.m. to 3.15 p.m.



DON'T BE LATE !!

Theatre Production



On Thursday 7th October children in Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6 will see a cinematic virtual theatre group production of 'Treasure Island'.

There will be 3 shows during the day, with two classes in the hall for each performance. The pupils will sit with their own 'bubble' and will be socially distanced from the other class.

This is a professional production and will be expensive, so we would be very grateful for a donation of £2 per child towards the cost of the performance. There will be a bucket collection at the green gate on Friday, so please leave your donation there. Thank you.

Sports Kit

Outdoor P.E. kit for all children except nursery is a **plain** grey (apart from school badge) sweatshirt without a hood, **plain** black jogging trousers without sports logos or stripes, and a pair of trainers.

Items of uniform and PE kit can be bought from www.oneidentity.co.uk a local company who will deliver your order to school for free, or the www.myclothing.com website.

On PE days children need to come to school dressed in grey/black outdoor kit.

Reception	Wednesday
Year 1	Tuesday & Wednesday
Year 2	Tuesday & Friday
Year 3	Wednesday & Thursday
Year 4	Monday & Wednesday
Year 5	Monday & Wednesday
Year 6	Wednesday & Thursday

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Reading Meetings for Parents

There will be virtual Reading meetings for parents of Reception & Year 1 children on Tuesday 5th October at 9 a.m. and Wednesday 6th October at 4 p.m. Parents are asked to let us know the date/time they will be able to attend so that we can send a Zoom code for the meeting.

We are very sad to let you know that Mrs Jean Harrison, who was a midday supervisor at St Mary's for 14 years, passed away at the weekend.
Please keep Mrs Harrison and her family in your prayers.

Medication

If your child is prescribed medication from a doctor, which needs to be given in school time, please bring it to the office and complete the necessary forms. For safety reasons please do not give medication to your child to hand in, or leave it with class teachers. Thank you.

Primary & Secondary School Applications

Parents with children in nursery and Year 6 need to complete online application forms for school places in September 2021 at:

<https://www.cumbria.gov.uk/childrenservices/schoolsandlearning/lss/schooladmissions.asp>

Deadlines for applications are as follows:

Reception class places -	15 th January 2022
Year 7 places -	31 st October 2021

CAFOD Emergency Food Crisis Appeal

On Friday 15th October we will be supporting the appeal by holding a non-uniform day. Children and staff can come to school without uniform and to make a donation which will be sent to the charity.

There will be a bucket at the green gate in the morning and afternoon.

Thank you.



Flu Immunisation

On Monday 1st November the school nursing team will be in school to carry out flu immunisation (using nasal spray) for children in Reception and Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6.

Please return the green permission letters to school a.s.a.p. if you haven't already done so.



Beacon Visits - Key Stage 2 classes will be visiting the Beacon this half term to take part in Art workshops which are being run in partnership with the National Gallery.

Birthdays and Gifts for Staff

To comply with the school COVID 19 Risk Assessment, please avoid sending sweets/lollies for class mates on your child's birthday. We are very grateful for your help in reducing the risk of transmission from one household to another via school.

Parents are always very kind to staff and once again we would be happy if you could give the money you would spend on Christmas gifts to a charity or donate something to the local foodbank. Presents will be impossible to quarantine, so we would ask that children do not bring items from home. It would be lovely if those less fortunate could benefit from your generosity. Thank you.

