



St. Mary's  
Catholic Federation

# Weekly Newsletter - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2020

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**Executive Headteacher, Mrs S Hulme. Chair of Governors, Mr B Tomkins**

**Safeguarding Statement:** This school takes notice of and adheres to all the national and local policies and guidance in regard to Safeguarding Children and Young People.

**Lead Safeguarding Person Junior School: Mrs. S Hulme Nursery & Infant School: Mrs. M Quinn.**

**Safeguarding Deputy: Mrs. S Hulme Safeguarding Governor: Mr. T Richmond**



Dear Parents and Carers,

We are now at the end of our first week of the phased return to school. The staff had everything in place for Monday and due to the careful planning all went smoothly and the children have settled in well.

Some children understandably were a little unsure about our new daily routine to begin with; how school is set up slightly differently but they soon felt at home again. Mrs Norbury led virtual liturgies and Mrs Roberts hosted music lessons which were very successful. We are looking forward to welcoming more pupils next week in each school.

For the next few weeks we are only taking in Reception and Year 6 and some keyworkers as pupils in specific groups.

**NB: We do not currently have a return date for the other year groups.**

As time goes on we will be posting arrangements about the transition to new classes for September but these will depend on government guidelines. Therefore, the process will be delayed somewhat this year- please do not call the office for updates as we will inform you when plans are in place.

Thank you once again for your amazing messages of appreciation, the staff are greatly encouraged by these.

Best wishes for another sunny weekend with your family and now with some added friends in the garden!

## Spirituality

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June - 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time

Weekly reflection is issued by our Chaplain and is available on the school's website:  
<https://www.smcsc.org.uk/spirituality.php>

This week, as more children have returned to school, we have started virtual liturgies led by Mrs. Norbury from the Chapel at the Junior School. The Juniors started the day on Monday with a liturgy to celebrate Pentecost and ended the day with a reflection for the Feast of Mary, Mother of the Church. On Thursday the Infants started the morning with their virtual liturgy. It is lovely to be back with the familiar routine of our Monday and Thursday liturgies; we all appreciate being able to pray together, albeit in different rooms.

 **Table Talk Topic for this week:** - Say there is food that you don't like, but someone else does. Is that because it tastes different for you, or because you don't like the taste and the other person does?

## News for the week

### **Message from all the staff at St. Mary's Catholic Federation, Carshalton**

Please click on the link below to view the message from all the staff at St. Mary's Catholic Federation, Carshalton.

[https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vQXP6PzexWB-GnQwrFQC8PbufOff7tP7DsLmO0gstfwmjxhhkpyt6BW298Zoiss-lmuTVRuiltQf6i6/embed?start=true&loop=true&delayms=3000#slide=id.g77539dd640\\_8\\_5](https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-1vQXP6PzexWB-GnQwrFQC8PbufOff7tP7DsLmO0gstfwmjxhhkpyt6BW298Zoiss-lmuTVRuiltQf6i6/embed?start=true&loop=true&delayms=3000#slide=id.g77539dd640_8_5)

### **Sutton School Nursing - Duty Line**

The Sutton School Nurses have set up a duty School Nurse line to enable telephone contact for parents and young people to offer support at this time.

To contact the school Nurse duty telephone line, please call: 0208 770 5409

Sutton School Nursing website: <http://www.suttonchildhealth.co.uk/>

As part of the targets of our ongoing school travel plan we **encourage you to walk, scoot or cycle back to school** as the less people driving up to the school gates, the safer it's going to be for everyone to social distance at drop off or pick up times.

At St Mary's we follow the Let's walk to school movement which is now more important than ever. The Living Streets organisation says that it is 'crucial we don't replace one crisis with crises around inactivity and air pollution'.

Thank you to Parents and Carers for continuing to choose active methods of transport to bring your children to school.

**Miss Mayanja**  
School Travel plan lead



### **The Summer Reading Challenge is starting!**



Sutton Library would like to challenge your pupils to complete the [Summer Reading Challenge online](#) this year, and [win a bicycle or cinema tickets in our prize draw](#), starting on Friday, June 5th with [lots of online activities](#).

Children who enjoy reading over the summer break will be at an advantage when they return to the classroom, and Sutton Libraries are planning to open a limited library service, where families and summer care facilities can safely order and collect a pack of books from their local library. Dates for library openings will be announced shortly.

There's no need to wait for start reading though, as we currently have a wonderful range of [books online through our six online library](#) apps. Download the apps to find free books for all reading levels, including comics, early reading titles that read aloud, audiobooks and lots of popular children's titles.

#### **How will the Summer Reading Challenge work this year?**

Children sign up to our easy-to-use website and create their own profile at [sillysquad.org.uk](http://sillysquad.org.uk) launching on the 5th June with a day on online activities, and running until September 12th.

- They set their own challenge to read any amount of books in the summer, with children being encouraged to read anything that makes them happy – whether it be comics, joke books, poetry, fiction or non-fiction; in digital or print format; from library e-books to books they already have at home.
- Each time they finish a book, they add it to their profile and write a review. They are rewarded with activities and incentives along the way, such as online badges, games and videos, and a downloadable certificate when you complete your challenge.
- To win prizes such as a bike from Pearson's Bike shop or cinema tickets they also use their library card to [register for the Sutton Library Summer Prize Draw](#), and opt-in to have a printed certificate and a gift of books for the school library sent to their school in September.

There are more [resources for schools](#) and [for parents](#) on the Reading Agency site and please contact me if I can help in any way to make this summer a reading summer.