



Weekly Newsletter - Friday 12th March - Spring Term

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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 Deputies: Mrs. S Hulme, Mrs H Nicholls, Miss F Sullivan & Miss E Bryant Safeguarding Governor: Mr. T Richmond

New PTA Email address: pta@stmarysfed.uk



Dear Parents and Carers,

School is a very happy place; everyone is pleased to see their friends again although it will take a little while for them all to settle again into school routines. With only a little more than two weeks to go until Easter, all will be fine we hope.

Thank you for the many good wishes and the tremendous support over the last twelve months, we now look forward to the remainder of the year following an easier path.

However, may we remind you that we do need to be respectful of each other as we collect and drop children in school. We have had a number of concerns about adults not wearing masks in the school grounds. To prevent any difficult conversations on the playground we would ask these parents to make contact with the school leadership team please.

Please join your thoughts and prayers with us as Fr Paul is laid to rest over the weekend. The local Catholic schools will be represented by their Headteachers. We will in time decide on a fitting memorial for Father Paul within the school.

Spirituality



Sunday 14th March - 4th Sunday of Lent


"Forgiveness is necessary to remain in love, to remain Christian. The road to a full recovery may still be long, but I ask you, please, not to grow discouraged. What is needed is the ability to forgive, but also the courage not to give up." (Pope Francis during his recent visit to Iraq.)

This Lent we are raising funds for



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 Table Talk Topic for this week - If I deliberately drop a bucket full of paint onto a canvas, is it art? What if I drop it accidentally?



News for the week

For information regarding testing for children and families at home, please click on the link below;
[Rapid lateral flow testing for households and bubbles of school pupils and staff](#)

Parking outside Father Luke's House

It has been brought to our attention that parents are still parking outside Father Luke's house to drop off their children. Recent offenders parked were a blue Nissan registration ending UST and a grey car registration ending XGB. Please be aware that parking is prohibited on this pathway as it causes a danger to children and blocks a public highway.

Scooters

We once again ask parents to supervise the younger children in the school grounds. Scooting and cycling is not permitted in the school grounds due to safety reasons, particularly not on the road ways.

Keep our children safe.

Please note; all parents need to check the contents of children's packed lunches, especially for any nuts! Please remember we are a no nut school and have children and staff with nut allergies. Nutella or nut based snacks are NOT allowed in the school.

PE Update

It's so lovely having the whole team back in both schools! We are straight back in with PE in both schools and we thank you for having full PE kits in without delay - some classes have used every item in the bag with the range of weather we've had this week.

Both schools will be taking part in a skipping challenge next week where, as a borough, we are attempting to beat Joey Motsey's continuous skipping world record of 30 hours & 20 minutes! Every child will have a go and record how long they skipped for then these will be totalled up as a school and added to the other schools in the borough. We will let you know how we get on!

EASTER DRAWING COMPETITION

Due to the success of all the lovely art around the village it's now time to have a bit of Easter fun 🐰. To be in with a chance of winning this fabulous Easter Hamper all you have to do is send us in your finest Easter themed artwork along with an email address or phone number.

The lucky winner will be chosen by Des Keogh of Chipsmith's Fish & Chips on Saturday 27th March. We have also been donated some runner up prizes from Sainsbury's (thank you).

Drawings can be delivered to The Greyhound Hotel, Chipsmith's or Roast & Ground before Friday 26th March. Please don't forget your all-important contact details



Stars of the Week - Week ending 12th March 2021

**R Hedgehog Class - Michael Y, R Fox Class - Lara H, R Squirrel Class - Lily R & Riva N
1 Wren Class - Ekam S, 1 Robin Class - Alessandro M, 1 Sparrow Class - Nicole B,
2 Woodpeckers Class - Jan P, 2 Heron Class - Charlotte W, 2 Jay Class - Genevieve C
Well done to all of the Stars of the week!**

