



**St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School**  
*Following Jesus in all we think, do and say*

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Dear Parent and Carers,

It has been a busy start to the new term and we have been blessed with some beautiful weather to mark the start of the summer term. Once again, we thank you for your compliance with our procedures for staggered drop off and pick-ups. We are very fortunate that the School Street scheme has been extended and ask that you continue to use all the additional space this provides us at pick up time particularly.

The updated guidance from the Department of Education means that we can take cautious and considered steps towards returning to pre- pandemic school life, starting with the introduction of some outdoor after school clubs (more details below).

**BUBBLES**

From Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May, Ducklings and Robins classes will return to being one bubble, as they were in the latter half of the Autumn Term, and Larks and Hummingbirds, our two Year 1 classes, will come together to form a bubble for playtimes, lunchtimes and to enable staff to provide small group support across both classes. All other classes, with the exception of our Year 6 classes who already formed a bubble, continue to be class bubbles.

**POLLING DAY: THURSDAY 6TH MAY – SCHOOL CLOSURE**

A reminder that school is closed to all pupils on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May as the school is being used as a polling station for the London Assembly Election. Class teachers will provide Home Learning via Google Classroom (Key Stage 2) or SeeSaw (Foundation Stage/Key Stage 1). A timetable will be shared via these platforms on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May via your child's Class Page.

**PARENT TEACHER CONSULTATIONS**

Following the well-being meetings last term, class teachers are looking forward to meeting with you once again to discuss your child's achievement and progress. Meetings will take place via phone/video call between 9.10am and 4.30pm and you will receive an email to invite you to make a booking. Booking is currently open for Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1 classes. Booking for Year 5 & 6 will open on May 6<sup>th</sup> and for Year 3 & 4 on May 13<sup>th</sup>.

The dates for the meetings are as follows:

- Ducklings and Robins: Monday 10<sup>th</sup> May
- Kingfishers: Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> May
- Hummingbirds & Larks: Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May
- Herons: Monday 17<sup>th</sup> May
- Swans: Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May
- Pelicans: Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May
- Kestrels & Swifts: Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May
- Swallows: Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> May

Please phone or email Mrs Murphy ([reception@stmaryangels.co.uk](mailto:reception@stmaryangels.co.uk)) if you have any queries or problems making a booking.

### **THE BIG ASK**

Dame Rachel de Souza, the Children's Commissioner for England, recently commissioned the biggest ever survey of children and young people in England called 'The Big Ask'. The information collected from the survey will be used to show the Government what children and those working and caring for children think, and what children need to live happier lives. If you would like your child to take part, please [here](#).

The survey should take no longer than 10 minutes to complete and is open until May 19<sup>th</sup>.



### **SUMMER UNIFORM**

A reminder that all pupils should be wearing the school's summer uniform, more information about which can be found [here](#).

### **BREAKFAST CLUB**

Our school's Breakfast Club is available to all year groups from 7.45am. Pupils are served a healthy breakfast and play together in class/year group bubbles. The cost per session is £3 and places must be booked in advance via [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com). Bookings can be made up until midnight the day before you require a place. We are delighted to say we will once again be offering a cooked breakfast on Thursdays. If you have any queries re Breakfast Club please contact the office.

### **AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS**

Another step along the road to restrictions easing is the return of after school clubs starting with outdoor activities. Parents and carers of pupils in Key Stage 1, Lower Key Stage 2 and Upper Key Stage 2 have been contacted by email re our new Multi Sports Clubs and how to book online at [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com). Booking and paying online requires consent to be given for your child to attend the respective club so replaces the need for paper forms to be completed. These and all future clubs will need to be paid for in advance for the half term, not the whole term as was previously.

We will continue to review our after school provision and hope to be able to increase our offer after half term.

### **FIT FOR SPORT**

Despite Fit for Sport informing the school that after school care would reopen at Bayswater Children's Centre on April 19<sup>th</sup>, it did not. The school received no notice of this over the Easter holidays. We have contacted Fit for Sport and have been informed that only one place had been booked for the week beginning Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April and that therefore it is not viable for Fit for Sport to provide the service at this time. We will keep you updated.

### **PRAYER AND WORSHIP**

Ten Ten's May newsletter is now available for you to read [here](#) or by visiting the [Prayer and Worship for Home](#) section of the school website.

## WALK-IN VACCINATION SERVICE NOW AVAILABLE IN WESTMINSTER

There is currently a walk-in COVID-19 vaccination service available to all eligible Westminster residents at the Marble Arch walk-in centre, 86 Edgware Road, W2 2EA (Monday-Sunday, 9am-7pm).

You can receive a vaccine if:

- You are aged 44 or over (or will turn 44 before 1 July 2021)
- You are at high risk from coronavirus (i.e. are 'clinically extremely vulnerable').
- You are at moderate risk from coronavirus (i.e. are 'clinically vulnerable').
- You live or work in a care home.
- You are a health and social care worker.
- You have a learning disability.
- You are the main carer for someone who is at high risk from coronavirus.

There is no need to book an appointment and you must bring proof of your age, name and address and your NHS number if you have it. For more information, visit [westminster.gov.uk/vaccinations](https://westminster.gov.uk/vaccinations)



The poster is for the City of Westminster's walk-in NHS COVID-19 vaccination service. It features the City of Westminster crest and name at the top. The main text states: 'Walk-in NHS COVID vaccination service now available in Westminster.' Below this, a pink box says 'No appointment needed'. Further down, it says 'Open to all Westminster residents eligible for their first vaccine.' and 'etc. Venues, 86 Edgware Road, W2 2EA Monday-Sunday, 9am-7pm'. A note asks to bring 'proof of your age, name and address and your NHS number, if you have it.' There is a section for 'Check if you're eligible:' with the URL 'westminster.gov.uk/vaccinations' and a QR code. At the bottom left, it says 'STAY safe WESTMINSTER' with the NHS logo. At the bottom right, there is a circular image of a person being vaccinated with the hashtag '#LetsGetVaccinated'.

### ***Feeling Fruitful***

*Jesus said, "I am the vine, you are the branches.  
Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit,  
because without me you can do nothing."*

***John 15:5***

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Wilson

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Headteacher

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