



St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School

Following Jesus in all we think, do and say

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Dear Parents, carers, pupils, staff and governors,

End of Term 4

It is hard to believe we are approaching the end of term and what a busy term it has been! We have been so fortunate to be able to make the most of all the opportunities available to the school to enhance the children's learning and broaden their experiences. We are very proud of all the children and the progress they have made this term. A reminder that school closes for the Easter break on **Friday 1st April at 1.30pm and reopens on Tuesday 19th April.**



Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal: Own Clothes Day Friday 1st April

At least 3 million people have fled their homes to escape conflict in Ukraine. Leaving behind jobs, belongings and loved ones, they now face an uncertain future. Our team of Mini Vinnies who together with Mrs Hough, lead on our school's charity fundraising, have suggested we hold an event before the end of term to raise money for the those affected. Therefore, children are invited to wear their own clothes to school on **Friday 1st April** in exchange for a suggested voluntary donation of £1 for the Disasters Emergency Committee's [Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal](#). Thank you in advance for your support.

Easter Bonnet Parades

A reminder that our outdoor Easter Bonnet Parades take place next week. Parents and carers are invited as follows:

Monday 28th March 2.45pm Key Stage 1 Easter Bonnet Parade (Goldfinches and Kingfishers)

Wednesday 30th March 2.45pm Foundation Stage Easter Bonnet Parade (Ducklings, Robins and Sparrows)

Please note, if on the day the weather isn't suitable for an outdoor parade we may not be able to invite parents and carers into the school for an indoor parade.

Uniform Sale

The Parents & Friends Association will be holding a second-hand uniform sale in the school hall on **Tuesday 29th March at 3pm**. A reminder that pupils in Years 1 – 6 should return to school after the Easter holidays wearing the school's summer uniform more information about which can be found by clicking [here](#). If you would like to help with the sale, please contact Mrs Murphy (reception@stmaryangels.co.uk) who will put you in touch with a member of the PFA.

Art Exhibition

Parents and carers of children in Herons and Swans are cordially invited to attend an exhibition of art work created by our Year 5 and 6 children as part of their recent photography project in partnership with Paddington Arts. This exciting project involved exploring and using a traditional camera to take photographs to document a local walk, as well as researching and practicing the art of collage to visually share the story of their walk. The exhibition will take place as follows:

Thursday 31st March 3.30 – 4.00

Friday 1st April 8.30 – 9.00

TBMH Strings Day

On Tuesday 22nd March, 27 of our Key Stage 2 pupils who learn the cello or violin in school joined hundreds of other pupils from local schools at the Tri-borough Music Hub Strings Day. All the children attending have been learning their respective instrument for at least two terms and St. Mary of the Angels had the largest number of children attend, which was great to see. The feedback from the children who took part and the parents who attended remarked that this was a memorable experience enjoyed by all. Thank you to our dedicated and enthusiastic young musicians for taking part and showcasing their talent and to instrumental teachers Mrs Hayes (violin) and Miss Lorimier (cello) for helping the children prepare for the day.

The TBMH offer a range of out of school activities including ensembles, choirs and a Saturday Music School. Bookings for the summer term is now open and closes on Wednesday 30th March. To find out more, please click on the link below

<https://www.triboroughmusicclub.org/out-of-school-music-tuition-2021-22/>

STEAM Week 2022

We have greatly enjoyed celebrating British Science Week and STEAM Week over the last two weeks. The opportunities have been incredible and have included a number of trips, welcoming visitors from local businesses and parents sharing their STEM backgrounds through online platforms or by coming in to school to lead a workshop. Every pupil across the school has shown great engagement with STEAM week in their lessons and their home learning. Miss O'Brien, our lead teacher for Science, was extremely impressed with everyone's enthusiasm, particularly the children who visited her classroom to submit an entry for the poster competition. Entries can be submitted on Monday so there is still time to design a poster on the theme of 'growth'.

Sports Days

We are delighted to announce that this year's Sports Days will once again take place at Paddington Recreation Ground as follows:

Tuesday 7th June: Foundation Stage & Key Stage 1 9.30 – 12.00

Thursday 7th July: Key Stage 2 9.30 – 12.00

After School Clubs

Booking for after school school clubs for Term 5 will open on Wednesday 30th March via www.schoolgateway.com

Lenten Appeal

A reminder to return your CCS Lenten Box to the school office by **Wednesday 30th March**.

Prayer Services

Thank you to all the parents and carers who attended Sparrows prayer service today. The dates for the remaining prayer service are as follows:



Kestrels *Friday 29th April 3pm*

Swans *Friday 20th May 3pm*

Ducklings *Thursday 9th June 9.15am*

Hérons *Friday 10th June 3pm*

Kingfishers *Friday 17th June 3pm*

Polling Day

St. Mary of the Angels will be closed to children on **Thursday 5th May** as the school will be used as a Polling Station for the local council elections. We will write to you nearer the time re the remote learning that will be provided for the day.

Kind regards

Mrs Wilson
Headteacher

Mrs Hough
Deputy Headteacher (Acting)