



Saint Mary's Catholic Voluntary Academy

Executive Headteacher - Mr P Ackers
Head of School - Mrs S Rudd

9th September 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I would like to first welcome you back to Saint Mary's for the start of a new year. I am very much looking forward to teaching this class and am sure we will have a fantastic year together. The children have settled back in to school life already, remembering the routines and expectations and making a strong start to Year 6.

We have kept the extended drop off in place so children should arrive at school from 8:40 - 8:55am. Members of the SLT and Pastoral Team will be on hand on the playground should you need to speak to anyone. We continue to ask that you do not stay at the school gates once your child has been dropped off. This helps to ensure that the school drive does not become too overcrowded. If your child arrives after 8:55am, please remain with your child at the school gates and contact the office via the intercom. A member of staff will then come to collect your child and ensure they are signed in to school accordingly.

The school day finishes at 3:15pm. Please collect your child from the playground. We understand that in Year 6 some children may walk to/from school independently. If this is the case, children are allowed to bring their mobile phone into school. Phones must be turned off before they enter the school grounds in the morning and must not be switched back on until they have left school grounds at the end of the day. Phones must be handed into the class teacher on arrival.

Please ensure your child's uniform conforms with our school dress code, a copy of which can be found on our website. To help with returning lost property, please ensure all items are labelled including P.E kits and coats.

Please ensure children bring a water bottle for during class time. A reminder that the bottles must only contain water. If children bring in a snack for morning break, please make sure it is fruit or vegetables on Mondays to Thursdays. Friday remains a 'treat' day when they can bring crisps, cereal bar etc.

Our school reading policy remains as in previous years. Children in Upper Key Stage 2 are required to read for 15 minutes per night. Regular reading at home is vitally important to ensure children become confident readers. We understand that many children will complete independent reading but we would ask that parents please check and sign their reading record too. Please make sure each entry is dated with the page number they have read up to.



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Homework will be given out on a Monday and should be completed and returned to school the following Monday. Homework will be linked to the weekly Maths or English objectives. It should be dated and completed neatly in pencil.

Spellings will be given out on a Friday to be learnt during the week and tested the following Friday. These words will either follow a particular rule or be from the Year 5/6 statutory spelling lists. Our first spelling test will be on Friday 16th September. Children should continue to use Spelling Shed to practise spellings.

For the first half term, Year 6 will have P.E. on a Monday. They should come to school in their P.E kit wearing their school jumper or cardigan. Please remember, earrings must not be worn for P.E and should be removed before coming to school that day. Year 6 will also have Forest Schools this half term on a Thursday. A separate letter has been sent out with further information.

If you need to contact me at any time, please telephone or email the school office (info@mgl.srscmat.co.uk) who will forward on any messages. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Many thanks,

Miss Etchells



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