

St Mary's C.E. Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to the start of what has been a sunny Summer term so far. We are re-starting full newsletters from next Friday and hope that you will once again enjoy reading about all what the children are learning and enjoying in much more detail, with photos to complement the information. I will continue to provide you with updates on other news and events as and when it emerges. For now however, there is much to let you know about for this week alone, so please do read this letter carefully.

Parent consultations

Parent consultations will take place in the week starting Monday 10th May. We will again be conducting them online and booking information will be circulated to parents and carers in the next week or so.

Year 5&6 Parents and Carers

If you are interested in your child beginning preparation to receive communion/confirmation, please email swalker@stmarysn8.co.uk with your child's name, their class, your name and if they have been baptized/christened. You will then be contacted by Naomi Malone, our Lay School's Worker.

The Big Ask – National Survey of Children has been launched

The new Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched [The Big Ask](#) – the largest ever consultation with children aged 4 to 17 in England. It aims to find out children's concerns and aspirations about the future, so that the government can put children at the heart of the country's recovery from the COVID-19 outbreak. We would encourage all children to [complete this survey](#). Parents and carers also invited [to complete the adult survey](#) to share their views about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back. The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve. Do therefore complete the survey if you can by clicking on the relevant links and get your child to do the same.



YMCA Sleep Easy – Tonight!

Thank you for supporting the YMCA Sleep Easy by donating £1 and providing your child with non-uniform clothing today. The Sleep Easy event takes place **tonight** and families are encouraged to support this online, virtual camping event by camping out in their living rooms or gardens! The school will award a prize for the most inventive den or camp so do send in photos of your creations to office@stmarysn8.co.uk. Please see the poster at the end of this letter for more information and sign up at www.ymcanorthlondon.org.uk/ Good luck and keep warm tonight!



St Vincent and the Grenadines relief appeal

Thank you for showing your support to the St Vincent and the Grenadines relief appeal. The final day to donate much needed toiletries is Monday. Please bring items to the offices at either Church Lane or Rectory Gardens.

Reminders

- Church Lane is closed to children on Thursday 6th May for Mayoral and local elections. Teachers will provide your children with home learning activities for this day off school.

- Have you stopped receiving emails or text messages from school? Have you changed your phone number or email? If we do not know your phone number or email, we will be unable to keep in contact with you. However, we must be able to contact parents and carers in the event of an emergency. Therefore, please update the office if you have a new phone number or email.
- Book Amnesty – a reminder to have a good look through your bookshelves and return any St Mary’s books. House points are being awarded for every book returned!
- Parents should NOT come into school at Rectory Gardens via the playground. You should only access the school office via the front door, and only if you cannot deal with your query by phone or email.
- Parents and carers must wear masks (unless exempt) and social distance when dropping off or collecting their children. Please also remember that you must not loiter in the playground talking but please collect your child and leave the school site as quickly as possible. This is to allow us to maintain our Covid-secure measures – we do not want to close any classes or bubbles for 10 days! Thank you for your ongoing cooperation with this.

And finally, we have been made aware by Haringey Public Health that pop-up Covid vaccination centres for those over 45 years old have been set up and which you can attend without an appointment – please see more information on the poster below.

Best wishes for a sunny, safe and relaxing weekend,

Calvin Henry.

Calvin Henry
Headteacher



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#YMCASleepEasy
**SLEEP ROUGH
SO OTHERS
DON'T HAVE TO**

One night can make
a lifetime of difference.

23 APRIL | 7PM-7AM | VIRTUAL EVENT

Do you want to help tackle youth homelessness? We're calling on local businesses, schools, families and friends to give up the comfort of their bed for one night.

To register: www.ymcnorthlondon.org.uk

To support Sleep Easy with a donation:
www.justgiving.com/campaign/sleepeasy21

Registered charity number: 1053864

COVID-19 POP-UP VACCINATION CLINICS

LORDSHIP LANE HEALTH CENTRE
239 LORDSHIP LANE, N17 6AA
THURSDAY 22 APRIL, 8PM - 9PM

TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR STADIUM
782 HIGH ROAD, LONDON N17 0BX
SATURDAY 24 APRIL, 10AM - 4PM

BOUNDS GREEN HEALTH CENTRE
GORDON ROAD, N11 2PF
SATURDAY 24 APRIL, 8PM - 9PM

A series of COVID-19 vaccination pop-up clinics has been organised for people aged 45+ to receive their first vaccination.

Please bring proof of identification with you.

If you are not eligible to receive your first dose, please DO NOT come to the clinic as you will be turned away.

Thank you for your co-operation


