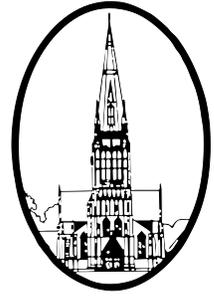


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*"St Mary's... feeding the mind, body and spirit
so we can be the best we can be."*

22nd June 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week we welcomed more children back to St Mary's which was a delight for all members of staff.

The children are enjoying being back and have settled into their new routines quickly. Staff are working hard providing interesting learning to ensure children are enjoying and engaging in learning during these strange times.

Year 1 are focusing on 'environmental issues' for their learning and have been reading the text 'Lila and the secret of rain'. The children have been writing about weather and what their favourite types of weather are and why. They have also been learning facts about turtles and how plastic pollution impacts on them. We are looking forward to seeing all the turtles they have made on display, they look fab! As well as all this learning they have been busy outdoors, planting vegetables in the school playground.





Bubble K (children of keyworkers) have been looking at animals and plants in the environment. They did a nature walk and have created a joint picture of what they saw. They have also been busy with other maths and English tasks.



As our numbers are increasing we will not be able to open further for other year groups (Y2, Y3, Y4 & Y5) due to space and staffing. I know that this means many children will have spent many weeks and months at home, which is not what I want but unfortunately the circumstances are beyond my control. I hope that everyone at home is keeping well and trying to have a go at the work your class teachers are setting.

Last week we set up a system for parents to tell us if they would like a paper copy of school work that could be collected on a Wednesday. If you haven't registered to say that you would like to collect a paper copy this Wednesday please contact the school office by Tuesday 3pm at the latest. If you registered to collect a pack last week, you *do not* have to do it again. Here are the times you can pick up once you have registered.



	Wednesdays work pick up time for parents/carers
Nursery	9.15 – 9.30
Reception	9.45 – 10.00
Year 1	10.30 – 10.45
Year 2	10.45 – 11.00
Year 3	1.00 – 1.15
Year 4	1.15 – 1.30
Year 5	2.00 – 2.15
Year 6	2.15 – 2.30

We are hoping to get news from the government shortly about what September will look for schools. As soon as we have any information about what St Mary's will look like in September, we will be in touch.

Currently our office staff are taking this opportunity to ensure everyone's contact details are updated and that you are receiving emails and texts. Apologies if you regularly update us with change of details, however I am sure you will understand it is crucial that we have accurate information and so are asking everyone.

Thanks' to everyone that has asked about staff welfare here at school. As I have said it has been a challenging time for us, reworking school systems and procedures. Your kind words and thoughts are really appreciated.

Have a great week.

Kind regards

Jane O'Brien
Headteacher

