

Newsletter

10th July 2020

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School, Woodbridge Road, Ipswich, IP4 4EU

<http://www.stmaryscatholicprimaryipswich.com>



Welcome to this week's newsletter.

St Mary's & Holy Family open for private prayer 11.30am – 1.00pm

St Mary's Church Prayer Days

Tuesday Thursday & Saturday 11.30am - 1.00pm

Holy Family

Wednesday & Friday 11.30am - 1.00pm

St Pancras Church open for private prayer

Tuesday Thursday & Saturday 10am – 12.00pm

Mass Online

Great news for anyone who is enjoying participating in the Mass via live-streaming. Frs Peter and Alan have set up a little 'studio' in the sitting room of the presbytery and are now live-streaming daily Mass.

The web address for the Mass is <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCCJ4RA2ocNUgNNombaKiy5A>

Press the Subscribe button to add to your list of favourite channels.

The times of the Masses will be as follows:

Each Sunday 10:00 and 11:30

Daily 10:00

For the parish newsletter please follow the link below.

<http://www.st-mary.org.uk/>

Tweet of the Week



"Faith makes us walk with Jesus on the roads of this world, in the certainty that the power of His Spirit will bend the forces of evil, subjecting them to the power of God's love"

[Pope Francis \(@Pontifex\)](#)

Safeguarding

Please be reassured that although the school is closed to many children, we are still here to support you and your family. If you have any safeguarding concerns please email admin@st-marys-ipswich.suffolk.sch.uk and Mrs Berry will contact you directly.

The video below emphasises the importance of vigilance in and around our communities. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P2VjgN1Tlxs&feature=youtu.be>

St. Marys Catholic Primary School will be closed over the summer holidays.

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Welcome Videos:

Please check the school website under class pages for your welcome video from your new class teacher.

School Lunches:

From September 2020 school lunches will be increasing to £2.35 a meal.

Please can all parents make sure that they complete the school survey regarding school meals from September.

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Live Stream Sports Day 07th July 2020:

St Mary's hosted their first ever live streamed Sports Afternoon. We were so glad you were able to join us and grateful for all the wonderful comments. All the children and staff seemed to be enjoying themselves and we loved watching the other bubbles on the screen in our classrooms.

Thank you all



Midday Supervisor required:

Effective as soon as possible, we have a vacancy in school for a midday supervisor to help with our busy lunchtimes.

The hours are 11.55am – 1.05pm (1hr 10mins per day); five days per week.

The salary is £18,065 pro rata for 38 weeks per year and 1hr 10minutes per day.

If you would like to know more or know of someone who would like this role, please contact Louise Pettit on louise.pettit@st-marys-ipswich.suffolk.sch.uk

Moving to Year 3 in September:

From year 3 all children will have a locker to store their school bag and PE kit. Please note the size of the locker before purchasing a school bag as it must fit into the locker. The locker measurements are 40cm high x 40 cm deep x 29cm wide.

All bags must fit inside your child's locker.



Moving to Year 1 or 2 in September:

As you can see from the photograph the cloakrooms in Year 1 and 2 are very small! The children have a space to store a book bag, water bottle and lunchbox in the classroom. Please do not send children in with a rucksack as these do not fit in the cloakroom.



St Mary's Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/ipswichstmarys/>

We have just launched this and will continue to update it with more information.

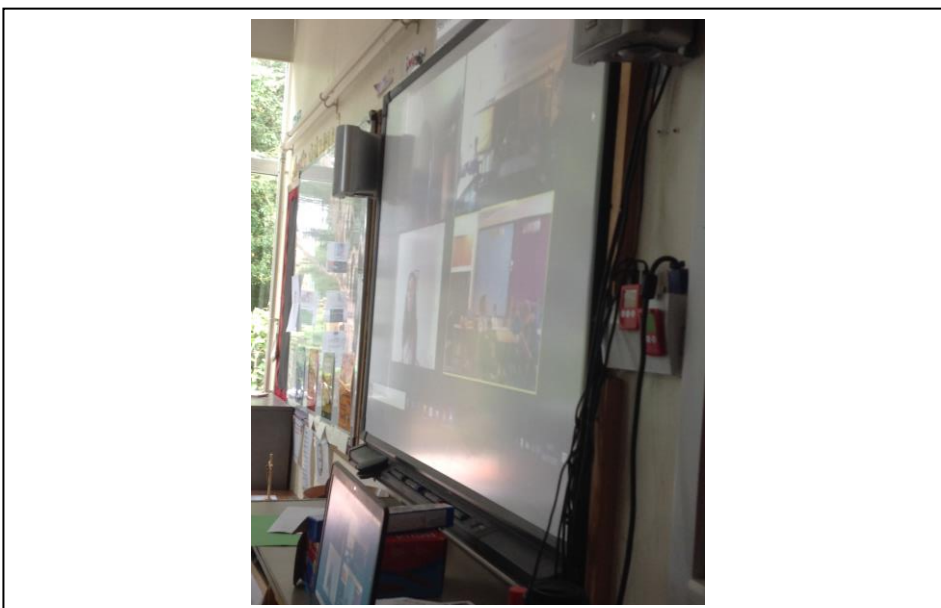
Year 4&5:

The Year 4 and 5 bubble enjoyed a workshop with a member of the BBC Concert Orchestra. We learnt all about his instrument, the Viola and got to listen to him play snippets of some of the music he plays live! We were all very impressed! Miss Godbold

Year 6:

Yesterday the Year 6 bubbles had a live zoom call with Ileana Ruhemann who plays the flute with the BBC Concert Orchestra. She spoke to us about music and even played some pieces to us. She taught us about all of the different types of flutes, from the base flute to the piccolo. Ileana also taught us about the dynamics in music. We learnt all about trills and crescendos. We had a lot of fun. We had to name that tune and Seb was the only child who guessed a theme from Star wars and that it was Princess Leia theme.

By Milena and Year 6



Class Teacher's September 2020:

Reception: Mrs Goodwin

Year 1: Miss Mudd & Mrs Ridall

Year 2: Mrs Veitch

Year 3: Mr Cook

Year 4: Mrs McGhee Wallace

Year 5: Miss Godbold

Year 6: Mrs D-N

Online Safety:

Screen-time for children has, no-doubt, increased at the moment and during the lockdown. Your children may be accessing apps, games or websites that you may not have heard of yourself - TikTok, Fortnite, Instagram, Roblox, Houseparty, Discord etc.

While there are age-restrictions on most apps, the final say on whether your child accesses any application is yours. There are often perfectly safe ways of using apps, but this might require some settings being changed.

For the most up-to-date information on all of the apps that children are using at the moment, please see the advice on <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>. This is a website run by the NSPCC that aims to provide parents with information and guidance about the most popular apps and websites for children.

Of course, if you have any questions or concerns about an online safety matter, please get in touch.

Mr Cook has posted some online games on the school website, please do try them with your children.

<https://st-marys-catholic-primary-school-ipswich.secure-primariesite.net/computing/>

Government Guidance for schools:

Here is a link for Government guidance for schools if you wish to read it

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak/what-parents-and-carers-need-to-know-about-early-years-providers-schools-and-colleges-during-the-coronavirus-covid-19-outbreak>

Class Pages:

Please take the time to look at your class pages there is lots of information available on there about your child's learning but also what their friends have been doing and maybe even what some children have been doing now that they are back in school.

Year 6 Memory Corner:

Eli:

- I really enjoyed going to P.G.L even if we were soaked!
- I really enjoyed the big picnics in Year 4 / 5.

Ana:

- PGL was most memorable for me even if it rained every day! It was so much fun.

Milena:

- This has been the best year of my life; I know it may seem unfair that this year has been cut short but think of it as an opportunity to try something new because change is good.

Helena:

- I remember at PGL when me and Gabi pushed each other off the all aboard and Gabi managed to win.
- I remember when I joined this school, I was incredibly lonely then the following week Riya came.
- In Yr5 Jamie always used to get scared of mine and Gabi's laugh.

Riya:

- I remember PGL and how bad the weather there was. It was horrible and when I nearly fell into the river when we did raft building (I was clinging on to the rope), and as soon as we left it was sunny my favourite thing we did at PGL was probably rock climbing.

Noah:

- One of my memories is playing futsal with the school team we got so far and we were going to the old Man City ground. It was a great experience. Sadly, it was cancelled because of the unfortunate COVID 19 outbreak. But it doesn't matter we were absolutely great!! One of my favourite memories of school!
- Another one of my greatest experiences was going to PGL and having a great movie night the reason was everyone was chilling chatting and watching movies.
- My last experience was doing the sport challenges the night we arrived at PGL it was a great activity to welcome us.

Maths and Red Balloons (Year 6 memory) A.k.a teasing Mrs D-N...

By Arnas

- I remember when - not long after the release of a film I had watched - I was called to maths group, where we do a few tricky maths related questions to improve our maths skills. A question came up about a clown and some balloons, which - after Mrs D-N said that she thought clowns were creepy - evolved into a question about a film character and red balloons. Every time we went to maths group Eli and I would draw our answers in red balloons to creep out Mrs D-N.
- Not long after, in class, we were drawing Pac-men to give an example of a circle and its values such as circumference and diameter. Eli and I both drew pac-men holding red balloons...

Second Hand Uniform:

The PTA would like to organise a second hand uniform sale. If you have any uniform that your child/children have outgrown, please bring them and leave them at the box by the school gate (buzz the gate if you are having trouble reaching the box) by Tuesday 14th July.

You will find an attachment to the newsletter of current second hand uniform that the PTA have available.

Many thanks

Buying Second Hand Uniform

Dear Parents and Carers,

Due to Covid-19 we have changed how we deal with second hand uniform. Please take the time to read this before you order:

- Denise Lavender will take any orders via text message. Please include your name, your child's name and school year as we will need this information.
- If you need uniform urgently (i.e. before the school start in September) then please let Denise know by Wednesday 15th July.
- We have limited access to the school which is where the uniform is stored, so Denise will aim to complete orders once every couple of weeks when we start back in September.
- The office have kindly agreed to pass the uniform to parents at pickup time. Payment will need to be put in the letterbox at the gate, in a named envelope.

- Uniform will be quarantined for a minimum three days before becoming available for sale. We recommend that you launder it once received.

Please note that we cannot offer the option to try on and return uniform. If something really doesn't fit or suit then please let Denise know, and it will be dealt with as and when she accesses the uniform.

Thank you for your support,

Marge Jessop and Denise Lavender



Further information for parents and carers from the DfE.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers>

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/closure-of-educational-settings-information-for-parents-and-carers/reopening-schools-and-other-educational-settings-from-1-june>

Daily Prayers for home

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/daily-prayers-for-home>

Sunday Liturgy for Families

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/sunday-liturgy-for-families>

