

# Newsletter

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

<http://www.stmaryscatholicprimaryipswich.com>



## Tweet of the Week

“Every child needs to be welcomed and defended, helped and protected, from the moment of their conception.”

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



Dear Parents,

To keep the children and all of us safe, please remember to drive within the speed limit of 5mph in and around the school area. Please do not park on double yellow lines or outside the private residence next to the teacher's car park, the safety of your children continues to be our priority. Thank you.

## Progress Reports

Your child's progress report was emailed to you on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November, if you wish to speak to your child's teacher then please call the school office to book an appointment.

## Virtual Tour – For New Children applying for Reception Class 2021/2022

The virtual tour of the school is now available on St Mary's Facebook page and the school website for you to view.

## Reception 2021/2022:

The application portal is now open with Suffolk County Council for parents to apply for their child's Reception class for children starting school in September 2021/2022.

We require a Supplementary Information Form that will need to be completed and returned to the office at school before the deadline 15<sup>th</sup> January 2021. Any SIF's received after this date will be dealt with as a late application.

## **School “Christmas Fun Day” 2020:**

The PTA together with the school have organised a school Christmas Fun day. The fun day will be taking place on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> December. This will be a Non-Uniform day for a £1.00 donation, there will be the Christmas Lunch, the children will be watching a Panto via Zoom in their classrooms and the PTA will be selling a Christmas Fair in a bag to the children via their class teachers.



## **Christmas Post Box**

Unfortunately, we won't be able to have a Christmas post box this year. Pupils will be able to give Christmas cards to pupils in the same bubble only.

## **Important:**

Due to allergies in school please check all ingredients of items that are in your child's packed lunch to make sure none of them contain nuts of any kind. This includes but is not limited to Cereal bars, Peanut butter, Nutella etc. Many thanks for your continued co-operation with this.

## **Online Safety Message from Mr Cook:**

Please see attached the following safety message from Mr Cook



<https://www.stmaryscatholicprimarypswich.com/site/data/files/school%20curriculum/computing/7C1D22E57423D63C6A99377CDB3C6061.pdf>

## **Find:**

Should any families find that they need support. Please do not hesitate to contact the school as we are able to make referrals to FIND for food parcels.

Donations to find

Food donations can be made to find at our local co-op. You purchase the items and then place them in the find basket located next to the door.

Some of the items you can donate are:

- Long grain rice
- Long life whole milk

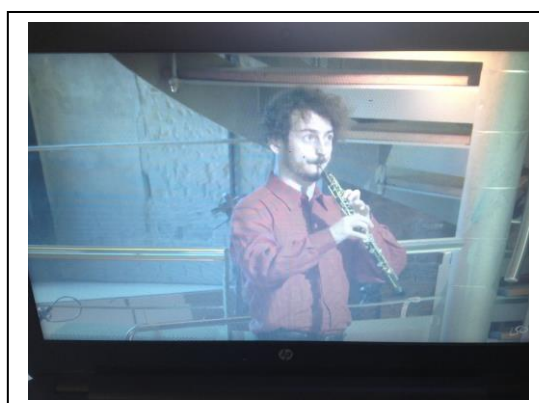
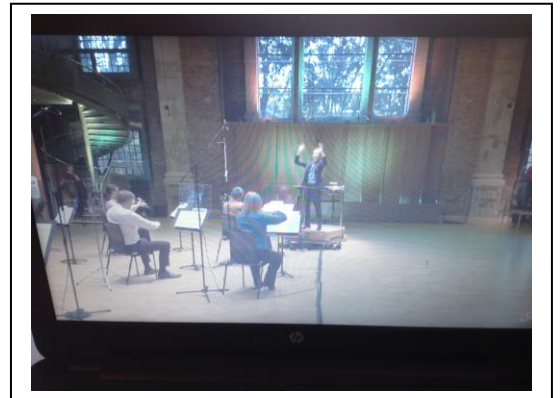


- Toiletries for men, women and children
- Tinned vegetables, meat, fruit or desserts
- Coffee
- Sugar
- Jam
- Soup
- Pet food (dog, cat, fish, rabbit/guinea pig)
- Fresh food (cheese, butter, fruit and veg)
- Frozen food

### **Year 5 – Live Concert from the London Symphony Orchestra**

Year 5 were treated to a live concert from London by the LSO. This can be watched again on <https://www.lso.co.uk/whats-on/icalrepeat.detail/2020/11/18/1960/-/online-event-space-but-not-as-we-know-it.html>

We were amazed at the range of instruments and their wonderful performance. We also talked about the variety of jobs involved in running a music event and how we miss our music events at school but looking forward to sharing what we can via recordings.





## Dates for your Diary:

### Term dates for 2020/21

#### Autumn Term 2020

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – Friday 18<sup>th</sup> December

**Half term:** 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup> October

**Staff Training Days:** 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> September

#### Spring Term 2021

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January – Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March

**Half term:** 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> February

**Staff Training day:** 4<sup>th</sup> January

#### Summer Term 2021

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July

**Bank holiday:** 3<sup>rd</sup> May

**Half term:** 31<sup>st</sup> May – 4<sup>th</sup> June

**Staff Training days:** 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> July (disaggregated)

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**0800 977 5690**

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