



St Mary's News 2020 September Issue 2

Dear Parents,

We have had another good week in school. Almost all children are showing great manners and are working hard to avoid physical contact and to maintain a safe space to protect others. After our first seven days of Induction and wellbeing priorities, all children have been taking part in testing- for Reading, Writing and Maths. Next week we will be assessing pastorally.

What a big improvement in P.E uniform across all classes. Smart fit looking children are arriving each morning, abiding by school rules. Great!

Parents, I have witnessed the children's arrival into school, this week, and wish to thank the large majority of parents and grandparents who are really trying to support us to be safe, especially in the older classes. Unfortunately, however, the example that some parents are giving is poor. Children are not allowed to climb on gates, run around on the roadside/car park, play tig, scream or be out of control whilst they wait for their turn to enter into school. I have spoken to **ALL children** today and look forward to big improvements tomorrow. I reserve the right to stagger the start times further, for some children until 9.15am, in order to ensure a safe arrival into school. Thank you in anticipation for your full support on this necessary reminder.

Reminders

Poppy Brass- Mrs Amann is calling all musicians to support this lovely idea in the local community. Please see flyer attached.

Homework- Children need to use their log ins from last term for access to their class pages and their homework. These need to be retained for the future as they will be used regularly.

Bikeability- 16 Y6 children have signed up so far; there are now only 8 remaining spaces. Please respond by Wednesday 23rd September.

Y4 Reconciliation and Holy Communion- Reminders that track and trace forms will need to be returned by Friday 2nd October.

Reading books- Next week, children will be allowed to bring home a class reading book, which they can share with you; more details will follow with regard to returning these each week and leaving them for 72 hours prior to use again, in line with Co-Vid restrictions.

The school twitter account is back in use. Please make sure that you are accessing it to see what is happening in school, by sending your details to twitter@st-maryangel.walsall.sch.uk.

Coming soon ...

KS2 Music lessons – Violin lessons will recommence on 29/9/20; Guitar, Drums and Keyboard to commence on 24/9/20. All payments are via tutors' bank account direct, please.

School fund- Our classes have some great plans for wider learning, this term. This includes History, Geography, IT, Science, Music, Art, MFL and DT. Please remember to give to School Fund regularly, to support the "extras" which make learning that little bit more interesting. Thank you in anticipation.

Democratic decision making linked to good behaviour- £25 awards given out each half term, will now be replaced by weekly £5 awards given to worthy classes. The new Behaviour Policy will be on the website from next Tuesday after the Full Governors' Meeting.

50/50 winners- please see flyer attached.

Thought for the week:

*Be merciful as
mercy is the bridge
that connects God
and man*

Misericordiae Vultus

And Finally...

We look forward to seeing our PE helpers back in school a little more – Bryan and Mrs Donovan.