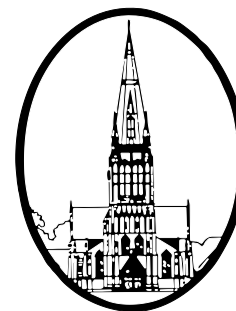


St. Mary's C. of E. Primary School
 Barn Street, Stoke Newington,
 LONDON N16 0JT
 Phone: 020 8800 2645 Fax: 020 8802 1687
 E-mail: admin-office@st-marys.hackney.sch.uk



Headteacher: Jane O'Brien

*'Through God's love, we strive to be
 the best we can be.'*

8th September 2020



Dear parents and carers,

I hope you are as excited as I am to be back at school and are ready for the autumn term.

I am looking forward to being your teacher in Year 2. I have put together information about what we will be learning over the first half of Autumn term.

Things are a little bit different going back - we will be spending time to 'catch up' on what we missed during the lock down - before moving forward fully with the Year 2 Curriculum. As your teacher well-being is very important to me and there is a big whole school focus on this to make sure we are all happy and coping with being back at school.

Here is an overview of the topics that will be covered this autumn.

Literacy	Revising learning from Year 1 sentence writing grammar objectives comprehension
Maths	Revising learning from Year 1 - Place Value - Multiplication and division - Addition & subtraction - Measures including time
Topic: Geography	Revising learning from Year 1 -Our local area -Hot and cold places
PE (Mondays)	Getting fit
PHSCE	New beginnings/ feelings/ hygiene in school
RE	The meaning of the Lord's prayer
Spanish	Conversational Spanish

Bubbles: Here is some quick information on returning back to school

To stay safe



**we stay in
our bubble.**

You can read the full risk assessment on the school website

- **Year 2 is in bubble with Year 1** - we have our playtimes and lunch times together
- Staff have also been assigned bubbles and designated areas to stay within
- Hand gel pumps have been fixed to corridor walls
- We are teaching and implementing regular hand hygiene routines throughout the day
- There is a hygiene station in class - hand wash, hand gel, wipes etc.
- We have allotted toilet times to help children stay within the bubble and limit congestion in the building
- Children are sitting at tables in rows front facing, the carpet area has been taken away
- We have created a 'one way' system for moving around the classroom
- Assemblies happen in class
- Each child has been given their own set of resources pencils, pens, colouring pencils etc
- Maths equipment will be cleaned ready for the next day etc
- Returned reading books are to be quarantined for 72 hours before being re-shelved
- Each child has to bring a labelled water bottle to school
- please insure your child wears shoes that they can fasten themselves - e.g. Velcro if they do not know how to tie their own laces

Attendance and punctuality:

The school gates open at 8:50 a.m. Year 2 line up at the 'Pizza Gate' entrance.

Please note: Due to my own health conditions, to maintain my 'bubble', I will not be the primary person at the gates for now but the Year 2 TAs **Ms Mirza** and **Ms Maja** will collect the whole class and bring them outside of the Year 2 classroom where I will be waiting.

If you have any urgent messages please let them know to pass on to me and I am more than happy to call parents if you need to speak to me directly.

If you are late in the morning and the gate has been locked you will need to drop the children off to the front entrance.

Collection is at 3.30 p.m.

If you are unable to collect your child it is important now more than ever that you let the school office know as soon as you know you will be late so that we can coordinate

Tel: 020 8800 2645

PE

Monday: outdoor

Children will need to come to school in their PE kits on Mondays. We will not be changing clothes in class.



Please make sure your child kit follows the school uniform:

Top: plain white t-shirt or house colour top

Bottoms: Black bottoms/ jogging bottoms or leggings

Trainers: any

Jumper: the weather is changing and our PE session will be outdoors - you can send your child to school with their school jumper that will only be worn in the PE session.

(Please insure children are not wearing heavily logo'd clothing e.g. adidas striped tracksuit bottoms, t-shirts with large nike ticks etc.)

Reading

One of my key priorities is to get children's reading levels assessed and I will be working on this in the first two weeks back.

I will attempt to get children sent home with a reading book in the first week of term.

Your child will be given a designated reading day to bring their book back.

Your child should be reading on a daily basis for 10 - 20 minutes a day. Please sign/comment in your child's reading log when you listen to them read.

If you have any reading books that were given out before the school closure in Year 1 - we would be grateful if these could be returned.

Any questions?



Homework Once the children have settled back into routine I will begin to send out homework every Friday and it should be returned the following Wednesday.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to call the school to talk to me. You can also arrange an appointment by phone.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Francis