

Newsletter

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Learning and caring for each other

Dear Parents/Guardian,

Thank you...to all the parents and carers who have been wearing a face covering when on school premises at drop off and collection times. This has helped to keep our school open and community as safe as possible

Baby news...we were very excited to hear that Joshua Eeckelaers was born at the weekend. Both Joshua and Mum are well and we are looking forward to seeing pictures we can share with you.



... Red Nose Day is on Friday 19th March. We are aiming to keep the whole day low key but fun and school councillors have been involved in organising class bubble activities. If your child would like to show support, please could your child **come to school wearing something red.** If you would like to make a donation to comic relief, please could they bring it with them on Friday. It's never felt more important to have some fun and for everyone to enjoy themselves at the same time as raising a little money to support people living incredibly tough lives.

Eco News... As you know, we support walking to school with our Living Streets WOW project. The children log their daily journey to school and they are able to collect badges as a reward. This project aims to encourage a safer, healthier journey to school at the same time as keeping Broomfield Drive free of cars and reducing pollution for the lungs of our young children. Between 19th-30th April, we will be enhancing our walk to school by joining Sustrans Big Pedal. We will be competing with other schools and walk, scoot and cycle to school during those two weeks in April. We hope to inspire all pupils and parents to join us and try to win some of the great prizes on offer. To win we need to record the greatest number of active journeys, so please help us by promoting and encouraging cleaner, greener travel to school.

<http://www.st-marys-reddish.stockport.sch.uk>

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Parent virtual meetings...by now you should have received an email from School Cloud about meeting with your child's class teacher. If you think this would be helpful and you would like to have a brief chat about your child's remote learning achievements, how they have settled back into school life and to be able to ask any questions, please follow the link on the email to book a meeting if you would like one.

We are looking forward to:

Bikeability... Violet Class (Year 6) will be taking part in road safety learning during the week beginning 22nd March. During these carefully planned lessons, they will learn how to check if their bikes are in good working order and how to ride safely on our local roads. This is another way of encouraging healthy, eco friendly travel and I am sure they will enjoy the week.

Swimming lessons... will be starting for Indigo Class (Year 5) when we return after the Easter holidays. These will be at Grand Central Pool again and the children will travel to the swimming pool by school bus, not public transport.

Clubs with Dan... we are hoping to restart some of our clubs after the Easter holidays but this can only be done in a safe way. We are waiting for updated guidance to see how we can do this safely. Thank you for your continued patience and I know how difficult it has been trying to balance work and school commitments. An update will follow as soon as we know more.

Wraparound Care... thank you to everyone who responded to the survey we sent out a little while ago. Governors discussed this provision in light of your responses and we are hoping to introduce a new wraparound care option in the future.

Easter break and holidays... school will close on Friday 26th March and re-open on Monday 12th April. Each class will finish their term at their usual end of school day bubble time.

As always, please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher or myself by phone or email if you would like to discuss anything, if you have any questions and if you have any ideas or suggestions to help us provide a better learning experience each day.

Best wishes, take care and stay safe,
Mrs E. Irvin and all the staff at St Mary's