



# St Mary's C of E Primary School & Nursery

## Newsletter – Issue 27 – 28/05/2021



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### This term's Christian Value is Generosity and Service:

'Serve one another in love.' Galatians 5.13

'God loves a cheerful giver.' Corinthians 9.7

### Bikeability

Congratulations to the final group of children who passed the Bikeability Level 1 and 2 this week.

Charlie, Amelia, Beau, William, Autumn

### Attendance

Class	This Week's Attendance
<b>Little Oaks</b>	93%
<b>Class 1</b>	99%
<b>Class 2</b>	98%
<b>Class 3</b>	99%
<b>Class 4</b>	99%
<b>Class 5</b>	93%
<b>Class 6</b>	97%

### Update on COVID arrangements

The guidance from the DFE has been updated (24<sup>th</sup> May 2021) however much of the advice currently has remained the same.

#### **Prevention**

*You must always:*

1. Minimise contact with individuals who are required to self-isolate by ensuring they do not attend the school.
2. Ensure face coverings are used in recommended circumstances.
3. Ensure everyone is advised to clean their hands thoroughly and more often than usual.
4. Ensure good respiratory hygiene for everyone by promoting the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach.
5. Maintain enhanced cleaning, including cleaning frequently touched surfaces often, using standard products such as detergents.
6. Consider how to minimise contact across the site and maintain social distancing wherever possible.
7. Keep occupied spaces well ventilated.

*In specific circumstances:*

8. Ensure individuals wear the appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) where necessary.
9. Promote and engage in asymptomatic testing, where available.

*Response to any infection*

**You must always:**

10. Promote and engage with the NHS Test and Trace process.
11. Manage and report confirmed cases of COVID-19 amongst the school community.
12. Contain any outbreak by following local health protection team advice.

[Schools coronavirus \(COVID-19\) operational guidance - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/guidance/schools-coronavirus-covid-19-operational-guidance)



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To support the children in having a wider group to play with, and in line with bubble sizes in local schools, we will expand our bubbles slightly to 'phase bubbles' (as we already do in Reception and Nursery): a Years 1 + 2 bubble, a Year 3 + 4 bubble and Years 5 + 6 bubble for playtimes and lunch times outside.

As outlined above we will maintain our enhanced cleaning system, hand-washing routines. Ventilation through the school, with all the doors and windows open, will remain a priority.

Staff will continue to distance where possible, and wear facemasks when they are not able to do so.

Uniform does not need to be washed more than usual and we would expect all children now to be wearing full uniform (with some flexibility for PE Hoodies until September). A reminder that the PE Kit is black trousers/shorts/leggings, trainers and a burgundy t-shirt and hoody. We will continue to wear PE uniform on PE days. Should you have any problems securing correct uniform please speak to Ms Lampert.

### RSE

As you are aware, we held a parent meeting last term providing information on the government's updated requirements for Relationship and Sex Education in schools. Please see class newsletters with further details regarding our new PHSE scheme – Jigsaw which includes the age-appropriate curriculum for Term 6. Our policy is available on the school website.

### Parking

We would politely ask that parents who park near to the school gates to drop off or pick up their children ensure that they do not leave their car engines idling whilst they do so. This pollutes the air which can be particularly problematic for children and adults with breathing problems.

### Breakfast Club

Unfortunately, we had less than 5 families respond to our consult regarding the possibility of starting a Breakfast Club at St Mary's. With such limited numbers, it would not be viable.

We will keep an expression of interest open in the office and would encourage anyone interested to let us know. Should there be a change in situation we will be in touch with those on the list and potentially consider starting a Breakfast Club in the future.

### Community Notices

*(We bring these to your attention without necessarily recommending them)*

### Future Bright

Future Bright offers FREE careers coaching, training and support to help residents move forwards with their careers and increase their pay. You can access the service if:

- You're aged 18 and over
- You're in paid work (this includes zero hours contracts and self-employment) and claim a benefit/ tax credit
- Or you're earning less than £9.50 an hour
- You live in Bath & North East Somerset, South Glos or Bristol

Go to [www.futurebright.org.uk](http://www.futurebright.org.uk) to find out more and get in touch.