

28th January 2022

COVID Updates

First of all thank you for your vigilance and understanding this week as we have seen COVID cases rise in the school amongst children and also teaching staff. It became very obvious on Friday last week that we had an outbreak in two classes and we took immediate action by stopping whole school assemblies. Over the weekend as the LFT results came in from staff and parents it was clear we needed to go back to working in 'bubbles' and put in the protective measures we had in place back in March 2021. We have continued working in bubbles this week, doing assemblies via TEAMS, staff continue to wear masks and we have enhanced-cleaning in place. From Monday –Wednesday this week we needed to close our Pre School due to staff absences. I have reported our case numbers and measures to Public Health in line with the current guidance. I have been monitoring the numbers closely and the data shows we are not increasing cases and overall case numbers are going down. We will continue to work in 'bubbles' this week and I strongly urge parents and carers to act with caution outside of school. The rest of the country might think this is over and not wearing masks, but this is not the case in Cornwall. We need to ensure we react to our local needs rather than recommendations that are made many miles from the far West. Thank you to all parents and carers for sending in your LFT results and reporting to the NHS and to *all* the staff for being flexible and just getting on with things in a challenging week. I do hope we are through this quickly as although we are used to this now it would be good to continue on the path back to some sort of normality!

Kindest regards, Hilary Tyreman

Dates for your Diary

Sunday 6th February - 10:30 Eco Service @St Mary's 10:30am
Thursday 17th February - FOSMs Non uniform day
Friday 18th February—School Closed additional closure day.
Monday 21st February– Friday 25th February – Half Term
Thursday 3rd March—World Book Day
Thursday 3rd March—St Piran's Concert
Friday 4th March - St Piran's Parade
Friday 8th April – End of Spring Term
Monday 11th April– Friday 22nd April – Easter Holidays
Monday 2nd May – Bank Holiday
Monday 30th May – Friday 3rd June Half Term
Monday 6th June INSET day – School closed
Tuesday 7th June – All children back to school
Friday 22nd July – End of the summer Term.

Clubs this term

We are still restricting clubs next week as we continue to work in bubbles.

We are only running our Breakfast and Adventure Club After School child care provision at present.

We are hoping to resume all clubs w/b Monday 7th February,

If you need to pay for a club please make sure this is completed on Parent Pay before your child starts.

Thank you!

Children Flourishing at St Mary's

Week Ending 21st January

Stars of the Week

Reception class Sofie

Class 1 Coby

Class 2 Harper

Class 3 Kaoimhe

Class 4 Elijah

Class 5 Seren

Class 6 Ruben

Golden Tokens

Reception Jolan

Class 1 Bethany

Class 2 Isaac

Class 3 Greyson

Class 4 Kensa

Class 5 Ethan

Class 6 ~~~

Week Ending 28th January

Stars of the Week

Reception Class - All of Class

Class 1 Carson

Class 2 Isla L

Class 3 All of Class

Class 4 Mason

Class 5 Raffa

Class 6 All of Class

Golden Tokens

Reception ~~~

Class 1 Ezra

Class 2 Harley

Class 3 Jax

Class 4 Blake G

Class 5 Isabella

Class 6 Kaleb G

Well done to all these children!

Year 1 trip to Helston Museum

On Monday 24th January class 1 went to Helston Museum for a workshop on Toys.

"We learnt about toys from a long time ago"
Bethany

"We made our own wooden dolls from pegs and mine is called Oscar" Finley

Year 3 Chorister Taster Day

On Saturday 22nd January Rev Sian and I took 3 Year 3 boys to the Chorister taster day at Truro Cathedral. The boys showed courage and resilience working with new adults and also performing with Truro Choristers at the end of the workshop.

"We had lunch at Pizza Express and then went to Truro Cathedral—it was very big! We saw a match stick model of the Cathedral made of 46,000 matches. We sang in front of lots of people and felt a bit nervous - but really enjoyed it!"

Jax, Benjamin and Aubrey

As Truro Cathedral also has girls in their choir I will look out for a similar opportunity for them!

FOSMs

We have set dates for FOSM fund raising events this term

Thursday 17th February - Non Uniform Day

Friday 4th March—Cake Sale

Friday 1st April—Cinema Evening

Thursday 7th March—Duck Race

The funds you have raised are buying a new bench for the playground. Thank you very much!



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COVID 19 Updates

Main symptoms of Covid



Other symptoms may be present, however, **testing and isolation are based on these three symptoms.**
The three key symptoms have not changed.

If your child or you has these symptoms then please isolate and test with a lateral flow test.

Also please watch out for sore throats, fatigue, head aches, runny nose and diarrhea in children as these can be early signs of COVID

Five key principles

2. Wash your hands!
Catch your coughs!

3. Clean and Ventilate!

4. Promote routine
asymptomatic testing

5. Identification of close contacts

1. Stay at home if ill
and get tested

All of these measures remain effective in
preventing the spread of infections

If you have not been vaccinated then these can still be booked:

[Book or manage your coronavirus \(COVID-19\) vaccination - NHS](#)