



Autumn Term Newsletter

Year 1

Saffron & Tangerine

The Year 1 Week – things to remember

Monday: PE kits on for school, Music

Tuesday: Class Teacher PE

Wednesday: Reading books & record back from parents

Friday: Home reading books & record out

Curriculum

Please see the attached Topic Map for an overview of this term's curriculum. Please come and ask if you have any questions.

Thank you for your family portraits – these link to and support our history unit – 'How has childhood changed over time'

Trips

This term we will be going on local seasonal weather walks to support our learning in science.

PE Kit

Children are to wear their correct PE kit to school on their PE days with Mr Oakley - this is a plain house coloured t-shirt, black shorts or leggings/tracksuit bottoms and black trainers. Black fleece/sweatshirt for the winter.

Home Learning

The children will have a phonics decodable book and library book sent home on a Friday.

Please read the phonics decodable book with your child every day and enjoy reading the library book together.

Please return these on a Wednesday along with their reading record.

The most important thing is that this is an enjoyable and valuable experience which will further support your child to develop a love of reading.

The children will also have a login for Numbots so they can enjoy playing maths games online whenever they have access to a device.

If any of the children require further phonics help or high frequency word support, then these will also be sent home.

Please ask any of the Year 1 team if you have any questions.

Attendance and Punctuality

It is really important that your child arrives at school promptly every day to help them settle in to their learning routines. It is also important to be collected promptly.

GATE OPENS: 8:50am START OF THE DAY: 9:00am END OF THE DAY: 3:30pm

Attendance is compulsory for all children. Regular contact and communication to our office about illness, medical appointments and absence is crucial.

Please contact the School Office if you have any questions.

Office: 020 8340 489

Email: office@stmarysn8.co.uk

Key Dates

Please find below some of the key dates for the upcoming term.

Please make sure you look out for regular newsletters and any communication from the admin team about future events as they are scheduled.

Harvest Assembly – 9:30am Wednesday 15th October *Rectory Gardens*

Half Term – Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October

Children return to school - Monday 3rd November

Parent Consultations – Tuesday 11th and Wednesday 12th November

Maths Stay & play – Tuesday 2nd December

*You can find the above dates and more on our calendar [here](#)

General Reminders

- PLEASE NAME all sweaters, coats, gloves, hats, plimsolls etc. We regularly end up with bundles of unnamed uniform or sports clothes, which are piling up in the lost property container.
- Children are given a healthy snack at morning play time, however, if you want to send in your own, please do.
- Please send a named water bottle into school daily.
- We would like to remind parents that the school has a no jewellery policy, and earrings should be studs only, please. Nail polish is not allowed.
- If your child has long hair, please make sure it is tied back.
- Please also ensure that your child wears black shoes to school. If trainers, these must be completely black with no bright logos, flashing details or coloured laces/soles.
- We are a strictly nut-free school; please remember this for packed lunches and party/birthday treats.
- We are strictly a latex-free school, i.e. no latex materials including balloons, rubber bands, latex gloves etc.
- Please keep up to date with news on our website [here](#).

If there is anything that you would like to talk to us about, please do contact the School Office, and we can phone you or make an appointment - we really value close communication with you.

Miss Harris & Miss Kimber

Year 1 Team