

St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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Dear Parents and children,
I hope you are all well and enjoying your family time together. A happy Easter to you all. The Summer Term has begun and we still are not sure how long this situation be last. Thank you again for your wholehearted positivity and continued messages of support. We have an amazing team here at St Mary's who are giving so much behind the scenes. It is so heartwarming to see the spirit of our school growing even stronger in the face of adversity. We are now in week 3 of Home Learning, please do check the website for learning plans and ideas to inspire an interest in new learning.
Take care and keep in touch.

Warmest Regards
Mrs K Yuen

Free food Vouchers for the supermarket We have started circulating these to our families who are entitled to free school meals (Pupil Premium). The vouchers are being issued to us via the DFE for eligible children. At £15 a week per pupil, this soon can add up As your circumstances change you may be eligible to this benefit and not realise it. Please see the list below and register for this. The school will then receive extra funding to support your child and this includes free meals.

Your child might be eligible if you access:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance or Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on
- Universal Credit,

Universal infant free school meals

Full details are in a letter sent from the office about this . Please do email if you have any questions. We will be happy to help you register.

Ways to keep in touch and receive information

Important Notice

Please remember to download the School Gateway APP. This is our main way of communicating with you



Email us on:

admin@stmaryscatholicprimary.northants.sch.uk

Send Your Good News

Stories to:

admin@stmaryscatholicprimary.northants.sch.uk

We would love to hear from you and possibly a photo too so we can put it in future editions.

News From the community

Keep sending in your news. We will try and share all of them over time. Also send in your Signs of Spring photos for our competition.



Signs of spring Photo competition

Look at this lovely picture showing signs of Spring sent in by Hayley.



Please sent in your Signs of Spring Photographs for our Competition by Thursday 30th April. Please mark it as Competition entry. Winners announced in our next bulletin



A useful Link

For ideas for fitness at home Northampton Sport have put together PE ideas for the children to take part in while at home. Follow the link <https://www.northamptonshiresport.org/stay-active-at-home>

Message from our School Chaplain

If you have not heard of Captain Tom this week, I will be very surprised. Captain Tom Moore, wanted to do something to help the NHS in this time of crisis. He decided to walk one hundred laps of his back garden (25metres in length) and he wanted to do this before his 100th birthday on April 30th! He was hoping to raise £1000.

On Thursday 16th of April, Captain Tom completed his final ten laps. He did not raise £1000, he raised £28 million! By this time, he had become a national hero and today was awarded the 'Pride of Britain' Award for bringing hope to the nation through his humble and cheerful show of determination and resilience.

Capt. Tom considers himself as an ordinary citizen just doing his bit to help out! For me, he is so much more. He has shown how the smallest of gestures can make the most enormous difference. In his wildest dreams, he did not imagine how his one hundred laps of his garden would impact on so many people, not just in the UK but around the world. Each one of us can be totally inspired by this gesture to help out and transform the lives of others. He has done so much more than that... he has shown how a simple act of kindness can spread like a ripple, touching the hearts of all of us... encouraging us to do the same!

Every day we can consciously make small gestures of kindness, whether to those close to us or to strangers who need our help. We will never really know how far our kindness might spread or what a difference it may have on the lives of others. The most important thing is making the effort ...and getting the ripples started...



