

KEY DATES

Mon 24th July to Thurs 31st Aug Summer Holidays

> Friday 1st September INSET Day

Monday 4th September First Day of Term

Tuesday 12th September Individual Photos

Friday 15th September Year Two trip to Lyme Regis

W/C Monday 18th September Parent Consultation Week

W/C Monday 25th September Scholastic Book Fair

Friday 29th September Macmillan Coffee Afternoon

Tuesday 10th October - 2pm Harvest Festival

Monday 16th October Curriculum Open Morning

Tuesday 17th October Flu Immunisations

Friday 20th October Last Day of Term

Mon 23rd to Fri 27th October Half Term Holidays

> Monday 30th October INSET Day

> **Tuesday 31st October** First Day of Term

Mon 6th & Tues 7th November Life Education Day

> Friday 15th December Last Day of Term

Mon 18th Dec to Mon 1st Jan Christmas Holidays

> Tuesday 2nd January First Day of Term

Friday 9th February Last Day of Term

Friday 28th July 2023 - HOLIDAY SPECIAL!

The latest news from St Mary's CE VC First School

Note from Mr Homer

It wouldn't be a Friday without a newsletter!

After a manic week of negotiating with contractors, moving furniture and backing display boards, I am heading off for my holidays this afternoon! If anybody sees me in school before the 29th of August, they have permission to drag me out and send me home!

I just wanted to share a couple of pieces of information which will be key for you to know before we start back:

- Fríday 1st September ís an INSET day, so there will be no school. The staff will spend the day developing our St Mary's brand which will ensure consistency and quality in all areas of our school going forward.
- PE days will be as follows for the first half term:
 - * Willow: Wednesdays and Thursdays from 13th September
 - * Oak: Wednesdays and Thursdays from 6th September
 - * Maple: Thursdays and Fridays from 7th September
 - * Beech: Thursdays and Frídays from 7th September
 - * Ash: Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5th September

* Linden: Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 5th September Please note that these will change every half term as we rotate the classes between our sports coaches, ensuring that all children receive specialist dance lessons and football lessons throughout the school year.

• Please remember that Oak class is now situated at the rear of the school, in the old Ash classroom, and Ash class is now in what was the music room, off of the playground.

Finally, we had two sheds donated to us earlier in the term, but as yet we have been unable to find anybody to construct them. They are metal and require riveting (<u>LINK</u>), so not for the inexperienced or faint-hearted! Please contact the School Association if you are able to help.

Have a fab summer! Mr Homer





Safeguarding Matters



Are you concerned about a pupil?

If you are worried about a child, you must share your concern without delay.



Mick Homer Headteacher Designated Safeguarding Lead



Lisa Thornicroft

Teacher & SENDCo

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Karen Bennett Family Support Advisor Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

Our Safeguarding Governor is Reverend Pene Kennedy

If you are concerned about a child's welfare or worried they are being abused, you can make a referral directly to:

Dorset's Children's Advice and Duty Service on 01305 228866

In an emergency, or if you believe a child is at immediate risk of harm, call the police on 999.

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