



St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Friday 10th September 2021

Welcome Back

All of the children have made a really terrific start back to school – they are engaging well in their learning and are quickly getting used to our new way of working now that school is almost 'back to normal'. Our new reception starters have made a tremendous beginning to their schooling here and what a pleasure they all are too. Please read the Curriculum and RE Newsletters to find out more about what your child will be learning and experiencing during the Autumn Term. Thank you for your ongoing support, I am sure we have such a positive term ahead.

COVID Update

From 19 July the government continues to manage the risk of serious illness from the spread of the virus. This marked a new phase in the government's response to the pandemic, moving away from stringent restrictions on everyone's day-to-day lives, towards advising people on how to protect themselves and others, alongside targeted interventions to reduce risk.

As COVID-19 becomes a virus that we learn to live with, there is now an imperative to reduce the disruption to children and young people's education - particularly given that the direct clinical risks to children are extremely low, and every adult has been offered a first vaccine and the opportunity for 2 doses by mid-September.

The key messages from this guidance are:

- nationally, education and childcare settings are open, and attendance is mandatory (for schools) and strongly encouraged (at childminders, nurseries and colleges)
- the [Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health](#) has made it clear that the overwhelming majority of children and young people still have no symptoms or very mild illness only
- continuing to take regular rapid tests will help you to identify infections early and reduce transmission
- our school will no longer trace close contacts - close contacts will still be identified via NHS Test and Trace. We will not inform parents when there has been a case in school and we will not be closing classes
- we will continue to send children home if they are displaying symptoms and **urge you strongly get an LFT or PCR test for them before returning to school**. Please bear in mind that the majority of cases we have had in school have had only mild symptoms that have sometimes included a tummy ache. We will not be sending siblings home.
- children and young people aged under 18 years 6 months who usually attend school, and have been identified as a close contact should continue to attend school as normal
- your child does not need to remain in a consistent group ('bubble')

Statement of Audited Accounts

We have a duty to inform parents that our school finances have been audited and share the statement of validation.

**St Mary's RC Primary School
Breakfast Club Receipts & Payments Account
for year ending 31st March 2021**

Receipts	£	Payments	£
Current Forward Balance 1.4.20	4,800.00		
Petty Cash & Fees at 1.4.20	26.17		
		4,873.20	
Audit Fees	0.00	Audit Fees	0.00
Breakfast Club Fees	1,887.13	Breakfast Club	0.00
Petty Cash	0.00	Resources & Prizes etc	202.25
			202.25
		Current Account as at 31.3.21	4,522.79
		Petty Cash at 31.3.21	184.84
			4,707.63
	4,707.63		4,707.63

Note:
Audit fees are included in the invoice paid by PSF fund account.

In accordance with the school fund guidance notes, I have examined the receipts and payments account, together with books, vouchers and documents relating to St Mary's RC Primary School for the period ending 31st March 2021.

Audit work approved by: *T Drummond* T Drummond (CMAA)
Principal Auditor

Date: 23/07/2021

In my opinion the records have been properly kept and the receipts and payments account is in agreement with the books, vouchers and documents submitted and the explanation given to me.

**St Mary's RC Primary School
School Fund Receipts & Payments Account
for year ending 31st March 2021**

Receipts	£	Payments	£
Current Account Balance 1.4.20	21,716.47		
Audit Fees	0.00	Audit Fees	182.70
Club	24.00	Club	0.00
Conferences	844.00	Conferences	0.00
Fundraising	221.00	Fundraising	105.80
Schools Book Club	0.00	Schools Book Club	18.87
Trips	0.00	Trips	867.50
Trips - refunds	0.00	Trips - refunds	228.00
Utilities	2,761.74	Utilities	1,837.20
			3,192.27
		Current Account as at 31.3.21	21,068.89
			21,706.21
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Note:
Audit fees include the auditing of the Breakfast Club account.

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