



# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOLS TRUST

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## ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Parents,

We have been blessed with more benign weather this week, and the children are making the most of it. I am sure that the autumnal weather that we are more used to will be here soon, as we approach the autumn equinox next week.

### Traffic safety

On Tuesday I wrote to all families reminding everyone of the shared responsibility that we have for keeping children safe. Please check your e-mail for this message if you have not already done so.

### Brain Buddies

The school has partnered with Lilian Cosacenco of Croydon CAMHS to provide children of Year 5 with a nine-week course of one hour per week which will focus on teaching children about their emotions. It is called 'Brain Buddies' and children will learn what happens in their brain and body when they feel different emotions and to use a range of skills to manage emotions. This course will take place during class time and if you would like to find out more, please visit the information site.

<https://brainbuddies.org.uk/>

### Instagram

Thank-you to all the parents who have followed our Instagram account **stmarystrust**. The schools together will attempt to publish several posts per week.

### Transfer to High School for September 2025

Don't forget that all parents of children currently studying in Year 6 are welcome to attend a presentation this coming Thursday, **26<sup>th</sup> September at 3.45pm.**

### Individual School Photographs

Advance notice: the children's individual photos will be taken by Tempest on 9<sup>th</sup> October.

### Liturgy and Assembly time

Thank-you to all the parents of children in Class 5C who shared a liturgy with their parents on Thursday morning. It was an important time for prayer and reflection.

We are having a pause next week owing to other commitments.

*'Aspire not to have more but to be more'*



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### Achievement Certificates

The achievement certificates this week are awarded to Mary in 3A, Eva and Esther in 3E, Josiah in 4D, Anthony in 4T, Ian and Olivia in 5B, Zion in 5C, Matthew in 6G and Esther in 6P. The swimmer of the week is Ireayomide in 5B. The Head of School's award goes to Bruno in 6G. The kindness award goes to Michael in 3A.

Have a good weekend.

Yours faithfully,

Andrew McDonald

Head of School

### Health Advice for parents

#### Coronavirus

*The World Health Organisation now considers the covid pandemic to not be a global health emergency. For advice and support if you suspect someone has covid, please visit:*

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/covid-19/covid-19-symptoms-and-what-to-do/>

***When using a test, check that it is a recent one that is set up to detect new strains of the virus.***

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