



# NEWSLETTER

## September 2018

### WELCOME

A big warm welcome to all of you whether this is your first term at Nursery or you are returning after the summer break. We hope you have had a wonderful summer, and are looking forward to the term ahead. Our theme this term is 'Autumn' and 'Family'.

We have a very busy term ahead of us so please read through this information carefully, and keep an eye on our notice boards, website, Facebook and Twitter too for up to date information.

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

<b>Nursery New Build Official Opening</b>	<i>Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September 11.45am</i>
<b>Last Day of Half Term</b>	<i>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> October</i>
<b>Half Term Holiday</b>	<i>22<sup>nd</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup> October</i>
<b>First day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Half Term</b>	<i>Monday 29<sup>th</sup> October</i>
<b>Photographer</b>	<i>TBC</i>
<b>Parent Consultations</b>	<i>TBC</i>
<b>Last Day of Term</b>	<i>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December</i>
<b>First Day of Spring Term</b>	<i>Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January</i>

## **OFFICIAL OPENING NURSERY NEW BUILD**



We would like to invite you to our official opening on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> September. We are excited to have the Bishop of Dorking Jo Wells to open our new building, along with a number of others from our local community, Surrey Education team, the new build team, and our donors.

If your child attends on a Monday you can join us at 11.45am with a picnic to be had in the garden whilst the visitors tour the nursery. Bishop Jo will then officially open the building, and you can spend time mingling with our visitors and the children.

If your child does not normally attend on a Monday you are welcome to join us at 11.45am with your picnic, however, please note that you will be responsible for your child at all times.

## **STAFF CHANGES**

There have been a few changes at St Mary's Nursery, at the end of the summer term we said goodbye to Louise Oliver and this term we welcome two new members of staff Penny Fosh, who will be joining Ladybirds and Debbie Nairn who will be joining Butterflies. Debbie is a Level 3 Early Years Practitioner and is currently studying for a diploma in Autism. Penny is Level 2 Early Years Practitioner with over 15 years experience in Early Years. They will be a great addition to our team.

Louise Hughes is acting Deputy Manager, and is currently training to take on the Safeguarding lead.

Julie Gatenby and Sue Gauntlett have both recently completed their SENCO training.

## SUMMER CAKE SALE, RAFFLE AND TEATOWELS

Our Teddy Bear's picnic was a great success at the end of last term, and the cake sale and raffle raised £244.50. We will be donating this to the Nursery New Build funds for our outdoor space, thank you for all your support.



## THIS TERM'S LEARNING

If you wonder what your children are going to get up to this term, then please remember to check our noticeboards which have full details of the term's activities for your children. This also includes a section of ideas for you to continue their learning at home. This sheet is also available on our website under the parent info section at: <http://www.stmarysnurserycamberley.co.uk/activities/>

## NAMED WATER BOTTLES

Please can each child bring in a named water bottle for every session. Please can you make sure that this is water only and not juice. Thank you

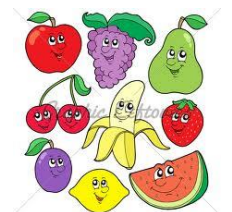


## LUNCH BOXES

Thank you for your continued support in our campaign for healthy eating. Please can we remind you, that as we have a child here at St Mary's Nursery that has severe food allergies, please can we ask that all parents please avoid putting nuts or any items of food that contain nuts in their child's lunch box e.g. Nuts bars such as Nakd, Trek or Graze bars, peanut butter sandwiches, and other spreads containing nuts such as Nutella, or any other chocolate spreads. **Due to the severity of the problem, and to safeguard the children's wellbeing, it is important that we do not allow these items in the nursery setting** Why not keep treats for special occasions at home?

## SNACK TIME

Please remember to bring a contribution of one piece of fruit per week, per child for our snack time. Our fruit supplies have been running a little low. As you know, this is an essential part of a healthy diet and your children enjoy eating the fruit you supply.



## NON-ATTENDANCE

If your child is unable to attend the nursery for any reason it is a statutory requirement for you to let us know. Please call the nursery by 9.30am to inform us as we have a duty of care to the children.

## CHANGE OF COLLECTION

Your child's safety is of paramount importance to us therefore we will NOT release your child to anyone who is not authorised by you to collect them. They MUST have a password.



## FACEBOOK, TWITTER AND WEBSITE

We have a Facebook page and twitter account in addition to our website. You can find us here:

[www.facebook.com/stmarysnurserycamberley](http://www.facebook.com/stmarysnurserycamberley)

Please 'like' our page! It will be regularly updated with photos, info and news, or on:

Twitter: @nurserymarys



[www.stmarysnurserycamberley.co.uk](http://www.stmarysnurserycamberley.co.uk)



## USEFUL INFORMATION

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St. Mary's Nursery Registration number **EY543362**

Surrey Family Information Service **0300 200 1004**

The Orchard Children's Centre **01276 691018**

Ofsted Phone: **0845 6404040**

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