



St Mary's

Catholic Primary School
and Nursery

*Learning and living
together through faith
and education*

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RECEPTION SEPTEMBER 2020

Dear Parents / Carers,

We are delighted that your child will be starting school here, at St Mary's, in September 2020. Unfortunately this year we have not been able to offer our usual visits to Nurseries or invite your child to visit us before the school holidays.

However, there are many things we will be doing to begin getting to know your child and start the smooth transition to St Mary's.

We would like to invite you to activate your child's Tapestry Learning Journal as soon as you receive the Tapestry activation email.

Once you have activated your account, please log on via a web browser, look at the observation called 'all about me', follow these instructions <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pxo3au-993Q> and complete your child's 'about me' page.

We will set a task on your child's Tapestry Learning Journal for you to complete together over the summer.

Please take a look at our Starting Reception 2020 page on our school website for lots of information and photographs of our lovely Reception setting.

In addition to all of this we would also like to invite your child to two 'getting to know you' visits with their new class teacher, as follows:

Thursday 3rd September 2020 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Friday 4th September 2020 1:00pm – 3:00pm

Your child will be required to wear full school uniform, bring a coat and/a sun hat and bring a named water bottle.

Please enter school via gate 1 on Dane Bank Avenue between 1.00pm and 1.15pm, ensuring you socially distance as you wait. Follow the signage to the Reception classrooms where your child's class teacher will greet you. In accordance with COVID19 safety procedures, you will need to drop your child off and promptly following the signage to exit the school grounds.



Please collect your child between 3.00pm and 3.10pm from outside your child's classroom. Again, please enter school via gate 1 on Dane Bank Avenue and follow the on-site signage to the exit route.

Your child is welcome to start full time from Monday 7th September 2020. If you wish to continue with part time please mention this to your child's class teacher when you drop off for their getting to know you visit.

When your child attends full time, they are entitled to a FREE school meal. If you wish to provide your own packed lunch for your child, please ensure it does not contain peanuts. Each day your child will need to bring a school book bag (NO BACKPACKS PLEASE), a coat and/or sunhat and a named water bottle. Your class teacher will inform you when PE kits will be needed in school.

We very much look forward to meeting you and welcoming you to our school community as we begin our journey together. If you have any specific questions, please do not hesitate to contact me through the school office.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs J Moxon
EYFS Lead Teacher

