



Diocese of St. Albans



ST MARY'S
CE HIGH SCHOOL

22nd March 2019

Dear Parent/Carers

A big thank you to everyone who was able to attend our welcome evening last week – it was a real pleasure to meet you and to welcome you to our first official event as families of St Mary's. If you were unable to come along, please do not worry as the information presented will be re-visited. Key dates given in the presentation are listed at the end of this letter.

Confirming your child's place

Please accept your child's place at St Mary's to your local authority. It is important that parents/carers confirm acceptance of the offer of a place in secondary school or the place will be given to another family.

If advice or support is required, or you have any questions about this process, please contact our Admissions Officer Mrs Wright on 01992 629124.

Transport to St Mary's

A number of parents/carers have requested information about school organised transport. Information will be sent out to all families before 25th June New Parent/Carer evening. In the meantime, please use the following link for more information <https://st-maryshigh.herts.sch.uk/transport/>.

Public Footpath Lighting & CCTV – Good news!

Many parents/carers will be aware that since the opening of the new St Mary's buildings that there have been efforts to get lighting installed through the wooded area of the footpath that extends along the side of the school. The footpath belongs to Broxbourne Council and as such they are responsible for its maintenance and upkeep.

I am very pleased to share with you that Broxbourne Council have now agreed to provide the lighting for this section of the pathway. In addition, Broxbourne will be providing CCTV cameras on the bridge end of the public footpath as well as other safety features in response to increased concerns about pedestrians feeling safe in the local area. I hope you agree that this is a very welcome development and one for which the governors are very grateful. I would like to extend thanks to Mrs Nicola Pearce from Broxbourne Council, who has worked tirelessly with the Police and other partners to secure these resources. More information will follow when the date for installation is agreed.

Contact details

Thank you for providing us with your contact details so that we can start sharing information with you. Please make sure that you advise us of changes to these contact details by emailing admin@st-maryshigh.herts.sch.uk

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Key Dates for the Summer Term 2019

The following dates are important to support the transition programme for your child. Local primary schools are aware of our transition days and are usually very willing to support Year 6 students attending their new secondary school.

- Tuesday 25th June 6.30pm – 8pm: New Year 7 Parent/Carer Evening
- Wednesday 26th June: New Year 7 Transition Day (all Year 6 transitioning to Year 7 students in school)
- Thursday 4th July: New Year 7 Transition Day (all Year 6 transitioning to Year 7 students in school)

More information will be sent out in advance of these events.

Dates for the Academic Year 2019/20

Dates and times of key events are included in our calendar that can be viewed online using the link <https://st-maryshigh.herts.sch.uk/calendar/>. Please avoid booking holidays or leisure activities during term time as the school is not able to support requests for leave of absence for these reasons.

The following dates are subject to change but are accurate at the time of publication.

Autumn Term 2019

Monday 2nd September 2019 – Staff Training Day (School Closed to Students)

Tuesday 3rd September 2019 – Autumn Term starts – Year 7 only

Wednesday 4th September 2019 – Autumn Term Starts – Year 8 to 13

Friday 25th October 2019 – Staff Training Day (School closed to students)

Autumn Half Term: Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November 2019

Friday 20th December 2019 – End of autumn term 12.30pm

Spring Term 2020

Monday 6th January 2020 – Staff Training Day (School Closed to Students)

Tuesday 7th January 2020 – Spring Term starts – all years

Friday 14th February 2020 – Staff Training Day (School Closed to Students)

Spring Half Term: Monday 17th – Friday 21st February 2020

Friday 3rd April 2020 – End of spring term 3.10pm

Summer Term 2020

Monday 20th April 2020 – Staff Training Day (School Closed to Students)

Tuesday 21st April 2020 – Summer Term starts – all years

Monday 4th May – Bank Holiday

Summer Half Term: Monday 25th – Friday 29th May 2020

Friday 10th July 2020 – End of summer term 12.20pm

Monday 13th/Tuesday 14th July 2020 – Staff Planning Days (School Closed to Students)

Thank you once again for choosing St Mary's as your child's secondary school. We are really looking forward to working with you.

With best wishes to all all students and their families for a peaceful Easter break.

Yours faithfully

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Stephanie Benbow
Head Teacher

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