

# St Mary's Lewisham CE Primary School

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## Our Vision

*To be a learning community that promotes the unique gifts, wellbeing and potential of every person. Our work is founded on the life and teaching of Jesus Christ, building on His message of equality, peace and justice, guided by His words 'As I have loved you, so you must love one another' (John 13:34).*

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

## **Strike Action – School OPEN Wed 5<sup>th</sup> July – Sports Day**

### **School CLOSED Fri 7<sup>th</sup> July**

I am writing to you about the strikes that have been arranged by the National Education Union (NEU). This is a national dispute with the Secretary of State for Education regarding school teachers' pay and conditions. Most of our teachers are members of the NEU but not all have chosen to strike. We will be open for the next strike day, Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July (Sports day – see details below), but I can now confirm that **on Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July, St Mary's School will be closed**. Children will be able to access activities on Purple Mash and can take library books home to read on the strike day. Thank you for continuing to work in partnership with us at St Mary's by supporting your children's learning at home.

## **SPORTS DAY**

**YEARS 3 4 5 & 6 (KS2) / WEDNESDAY 5TH JULY 12:30 – 3:00 AT LADYWELL ARENA**

Each year our children enjoy a fantastic Sports Day and we are looking forward to seeing our budding sports stars competing again at our local athletics track. Please make sure that your child comes to school dressed in their PE kit ready to take part. Your class teacher will advise you which colour team your child is in (blue, yellow, red or green) and they should wear this colour T-Shirt for the day.

Please apply sun cream before your child comes to school in the morning and provide them with a sun hat or sports cap. There will be some sun cream available at the track; please let your child's class teacher know if you do not wish for school staff to apply sun cream to your child. Please can you also provide your child with a water bottle (labelled with their name).

We hope that you can join us to share Sports Day with your child(ren). If any parent is able to meet us at school and walk over to the track with the children, please let your child's class teacher know as this would be really helpful. Alternatively, you can join us at Ladywell Arena. Please don't bring snacks or sweets as we will be providing the children with refreshments at the rest station. Please bring your own umbrella / sun shade if you wish to sit in the shade whilst you enjoy the events.

All children should be brought to school at 8:40 and collected at 3:10 from school as normal. For safeguarding reasons, we will not be allowing any children to be collected from Ladywell Arena; all children will return to school and be dismissed from class as usual.

Yours sincerely,

**Christine Graham**

**Headteacher**

