

# 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).*

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2020

Dear Parents / Carers

### Wednesday School Closures To Continue

I hope that you and your families remain safe and well. Please can I thank you for the wonderful support that the school has received from our parents since we reopened the school to all children in September. It has been a real challenge but together we have kept the children's safety, wellbeing and education at the heart of all the choices we have made.

As you will be aware, rates of Covid-19 are rising, both in London and Nationally. I have valued all of the feedback we have received from parents regarding our response to Covid-19. Closing the school on Wednesdays for a **Risk Assessment Review and Deep Clean** has enabled us to continually review and improve our procedures, as well as enabling additional cleaning.

I have therefore decided that **for the remainder of the Autumn term, we will continue to close the school to all pupils every Wednesday**. There will be two exceptions:

- We will continue to invite our youngest learners in to school from **Nursery and Reception**, so that these children can continue to settle into school routines
- In addition, we will also be able to invite our **Year 6** children into school for focused group teaching in preparation for their SATS and their transition to Secondary school

School closure dates for Autumn 2 (except Nursery, Reception and Year 6)	
Wednesday 4 <sup>th</sup> November	Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> November	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> December – <b>school will be closed to ALL pupils</b>
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> November	

We will continue to set Home Learning and I ask for your continued support in ensuring that your children complete all of the tasks set, to ensure their education continues. We are moving towards setting more of our learning at home online, please contact the school office if you require a paper copy of the Home Learning.

**Half-term will be for one week only**, from Monday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October. On behalf of the entire school community, I wish you a peaceful half-term break and we will look forward to seeing all children back in school on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> November**.

Yours sincerely

Ms C Bernard, Headteacher



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