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Dear Parent/Carer

P2, P3, P4 induction morning will be **Thursday 31 August 9.00am to 12.00pm**

P5, P6, P7 induction morning will be **Friday 1 September 9.00am to 12.00pm**

A healthy snack and a bottle of water should be supplied for the day. Our Healthy Eating & Lifestyle Policy is available on our website. Please remember St Mary's is a Nut Free school. We have many children with allergies who require access to an EpiPen. **Please do not send any product containing nuts or nut traces.**

We are not requesting any school fund donation this year as our PTA, has again, kindly donated **£6,000** to help cover teaching resource costs for the year.

Pupils may enter their classrooms directly in the mornings from 8.45am. All pupils should use their outside classroom door. P4 children should use the main entrance (upstairs). P3 children are to use the downstairs entrance. Children attending the Learning Support Classes and Autism Specific Class are to use their normal doors.

The school car park is for staff parking only. Please use St Therese carpark for parking. A Blue Badge must be displayed to use the disabled bays. Please remind your child/ren to always use the footpath and crossings and not to walk through the carpark. All vehicles must use the one-way system. Vehicles are not permitted to exit the main entry gate at any time. The drop off area to the left of the gate is only for school deliveries, taxis, and parents escorting children who attend our Autism Class or Learning Supports Classes. Signage is in place.

Finishing Times

P1 at 1.45pm

P2 & P3 at 2.00pm

P4 & P5 at 3.00pm

P6 & P7 at 3.00pm

School finishes at 2.00pm for P4 to P7 on Fridays.

School meals will be available from Monday 4 September. Please use the school app to book. Booking is essential by 9.00am each Monday morning of the incoming week. Free School Meals/Uniform grants can be applied for at the following link
<https://freeschoolmealsanduniforms.eani.org.uk/>

Breakfast Club will open from 7.45am on Monday 4 September. Please use the school app to book. Booking is essential. Please inform Breakfast Club staff of your child's medical, allergies and behavioural needs. Breakfast Club will cost £3.00 per session.

Afterschool Club will open as normal from Monday 4 September. Booking is essential. Please contact the Afterschool Club Team on schoolnaomihull12@hotmail.com

Full school uniforms are expected to be worn. **Please ensure that all your child's belongings are clearly labelled with your child's name**. The only jewellery allowed is a watch and stud earrings.

Children will be informed when their PE days are going to be when they return to school. On PE days, children should attend wearing suitable PE clothing.

Children **are not allowed** mobile phones in school. Mobile phones will be confiscated and returned to parents only.

It is **ESSENTIAL** that all parents and guardians download the school app and update their preference to your child's new class for the new academic year. This is the main means of communication with parents and is the only way to book and pay for school dinners. Instructions are available on the school website at www.stmarysbanbridge.com/cmsfiles/items/downloads/newappletter8sept.pdf

Teachers regularly post photographs of their class; their pupils work and sporting and other achievements on the school website. Our PTA do likewise on their Facebook page and website. Please inform the school by writing to the school Principal Mr O'Hagan if you **DO NOT** wish your child to have his/her picture posted on our website or PTA page or be part of our school library Instagram account.

On behalf of our Board of Governors and Staff may I wish you all an enjoyable and restful summer break.

Yours sincerely,



D O'Hagan
Principal