Year 1/2 Class Letter Autumn 1

Welcome back!

Welcome back, we hope you had a great summer break. It is lovely to see all the children happily coming into school independently in the mornings. Key dates Looking ahead, our Christmas concert will take place on the 14th and 15th December at 10am.

<u>Slippers</u>

All children are welcome to bring a pair of slippers into school, please ensure they are named and have a hard sole.

<u>Coats</u> As the weather is turning colder, please ensure your child brings a named coat to school everyday.

<u>Snacks</u>

Your child can bring a healthy snack to enjoy during morning play time, such as fresh or dried fruit or a healthy biscuit.

<u>PE</u>

Your child will have PE with MSR on Tuesday afternoons and PE with their class teacher on Fridays. Please ensure your child has a PE Kit which is named.

St Marys Website

Our class pages on the school website will be regularly updated with what we have been up to.

www.stmarys.sch.im

Reading

This year as a whole school we are having a reset for reading, your child will bring home an independent reading book, we would like to encourage reading at home. Please sign and date the reading planner once you have read with your child. If there are any family members who would be able to spare an afternoon or morning to come in and listen to readers, we would be most grateful.

<u>New Children</u> A big welcome to Jakub and Mateo who have joined St Stephen.

Our project in Year 1/2- Is it better to stand out or fit in?

Identify- belonging- community- happiness

Portraits

Using our concepts of identity, belonging, community and happiness we will be exploring different portrait artists and the different styles they used. The children will know about the work of a range of artists and be able to discuss the similarities and differences in the techniques demonstrated, while making links to their own work.

<u>Chris Offili</u> Is a British painter, best known for his paintings incorporating elephant dung.

Throughout our create project we will be looking at the following elements of art:

Line- a point that moves from one direction to another. It can be any size, length, or pattern.

Shape- an area enclosed by a specific number of straight or curved lines.

Colour- Colour helps to create emotional impact and feelings.

Texture- is the way something feels or looks or looks like it would feel. Texture is an element of art that also plays to our sense of touch. Picasso Was a Spanish born painter, who even as a child was better at drawing than many adults. Picasso liked to experiment and try out

new ideas.

Modigliani Was an Italian Jewish painter who worked mainly in France. He is known for creating portraits in a modern style. His style was thought to be unusual, he drew people with long necks and sad mask like

faces.

