



# Marlborough St Mary's CE Primary School

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Dear St Mary's Under Fives Community

Marlborough St Mary's Primary School and St Mary's Under Fives Pre-school have been co-located for more than 20 years on the school site. The Pre-school and the School enjoy a positive working relationship which benefits the children who attend the School and Pre-school, along with their families.

Recently, the School and the Pre-school have been exploring the possibility of St Mary's Under Fives joining the School and becoming part of Marlborough St Mary's Primary School. The provision would offer a high-quality education to children between the ages of 2 and 11 on the existing site with the Nursery day being extended from 08:00 – 18:00. This is an exciting proposal that we strongly believe will make a positive difference to the lives of and opportunities for the children and families in our community.

This proposal will not affect a child's place in the Pre-school. Any Government funding received for a child will continue unchanged and children will continue to enjoy the high-quality provision they access at the Pre-school. Should the proposed changes go ahead, benefits will include wrap-around care in term-time, development of the learning environment and enhanced opportunities to support children's readiness to transition into Marlborough St Mary's Primary School.

A consultation document which gives a broader picture of this proposal can be found in the **News & Dates** section on the School's website <https://www.marlboroughstmarys.wilts.sch.uk> along with Frequently Asked Questions. To access the Online Consultation, please use the Microsoft form on the Website to share your opinion and to ask any questions that you might have. Alternatively, paper copies of the consultation document and form will also be available from the School Office at Marlborough St Marys Primary School.

You are also invited to share your opinion and to ask any questions that you might have. The consultation period will last until **Midday on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> December** and there will be an informal drop-in session in the School Hall, between 2:45 and 4:30pm on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November. We hope that you will come and explore this with us.



We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of our School and the Pre-school. Working in partnership with our Community, with children at the heart of our decision-making, has driven these plans to make Marlborough St Mary's Primary School the very best place for learning.

Thank you.

Kind regards,

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*Headteacher*

Louise Barry & Dan Knight  
*Co-chairs of Governors*