

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter 1st May 2026

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'Loved and Inspired by Mary
We shine and learn as a family of God'

Another week filled with Sunshine and we started with lots of fun we had our annual BREAK THE RULES event! A huge thank you for all your support. I know the pupils had great fun....enjoying snacks, swapping places, sneaking out for extra play and much more!! Have a look at some of the fabulous pictures below.....

BREAK THE RULES day – Monday 27.4.26

"I go to wear my own clothes and ate some chocolate at break!" Molly Walmsley

"I liked my ice lolly- it was tasty and lemon!" Ivory Phoenix

"I liked doing our own things and decide what we liked to do in school. I brought some tic tacs to share!" Thea Koutsokostas

"I liked bringing my stuffed animal and having my own drink – Fanta!" Yahya Majeed

"I liked being able to sit with my friends and eat the sweets" Fred Reid

" I liked being able to wear our own clothes and bringing in pillows and blankets" Max Tidmarsh

" I liked how we got extra breaktime and you could bring in your own snacks and teddies!"
Jessica Simpson



NSPCC – PANTS day

We had our whole school PANTS day and learnt lots about keeping safe and ‘private parts’

“It was amazing. The song is so funny!” Freddie Phoneix

“I learnt you shouldn’t touch anyone else parts” Charlotte Bowden

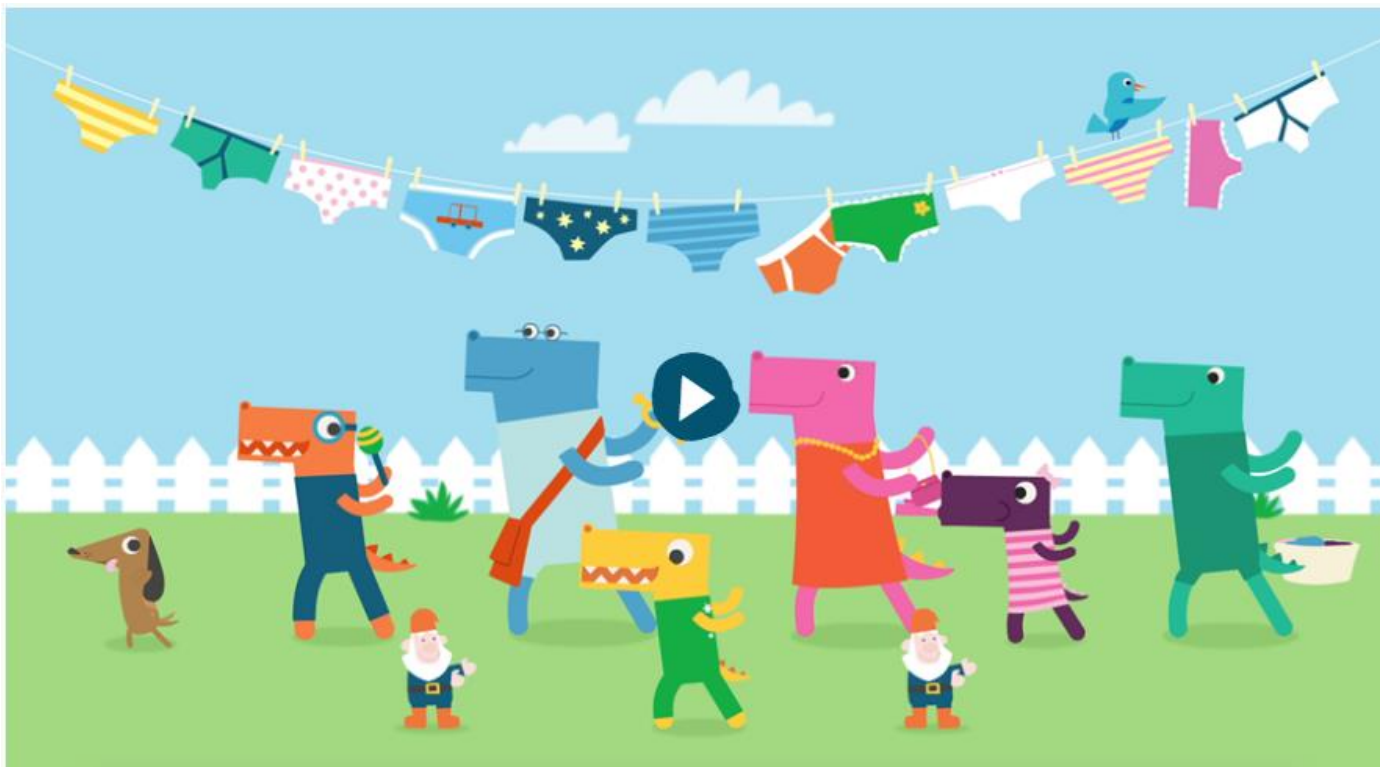
“Our parts are private and it’s totally ok to tell anyone if anything happens” Maisie Wilson

“ Keeps you hands to yourself” Harry Davis

“ The words PANTS in the NSPCC has a meaning- each letter gives you a sentence about keeping safe!” Joe O’Donnell



<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/advice-for-families>



<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/advice-for-families/pants-underwear-rule/>

SCHOOL GAMES – ST MARYS ACHIEVES GOLD!!!

GOLD medal for Team St Mary's!



We are delighted to announce that we, St Mary's Primary School, have achieved the School Games GOLD Mark Award for the 2025/26 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community, and we are delighted to have been recognised for our success.

With a HUGE total of young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who made our competitions possible.

As part of our application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at our school has been rewarded this year.

A special thanks to all of our pupils for representing us at the many competitions we have taken part in this year!

We look forward to applying once again in 2027!

Mrs Ellis
PE and Sports Co-Ordinator



FOSM

We are looking for donations of uniform that your child has grown out of that could be re used by another family. We hope to have a uniform stall at the Fayre.

Uniform

We are now in our Summer uniform.

<https://stmaryslea.mecmat.org/uniform>

Summer dress are **Light blue Gingham** and must **NOT have white collars**. We do not permit skirts.

Pupils may wish to wear plain white tight or leggings underneath for medical or religious reasons. Feel free to speak to a member of staff.

Big School Adventures

As we are now in the Summer term and Primary places have been offered Big School Adventures last session will be on the 21st May 2026

After this date sessions will change to our Formal Induction letters and Big School Adventures will return in October 2026

To book your place please contact the school office on 01772 729881

Dates for your diary

4.5.26 – School Closed Bank holiday

6.5.26 – Whole School Mental Health day

8.5.26 – Whitechapel tournament – Letter issued separately

Week starting 11.5.26 - SATS week for Year 6 children

13.5.26 – 2:45 - FOSM Finance Meeting – All welcome

15.5.26 – Whole School VR Experience

18.5.26 – Marian Week in school begins – Key stage 2 pilgrimage to Ladyewell

20.5.26 – 8:45 - FOSM – Sports Day Planning Meeting – All welcome

21.5.26 – 2.45 – Crowning of Mary

5.6.26 – Non Uniform – Bring a sweet treat – Haribos, Squashems etc .. No chocolate please too melty!

12.6.26 – Non Uniform – Bring a Bottle – Bottles of Wine, Beet, Fizz or Pop!

School Times

School Start 08.45 am

School Finish time 15.15 pm

PE Days

Class 1: Tue pm and Wed pm

Class 2: Tue pm and Wed pm

Class 3: Swimming Tuesday and Thursday pm

Class 4: Tuesday pm and Thurs pm

Staff Contact details

*** Please note now we are part of the Multi Academy Trust Mater Ecclesiae and our email addresses have now changed. ***

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Celebration Awards

	Faith in Action Award Winner	‘EAT’ Award Winner Explore, Active, Think creatively	Welfare Award Winner
Class 1	Miriam Okafor	Arthur Doherty	Chimdiebube Nwankwo
Class 2	Jude Troup	Daisy Simpson	
Class 3	Reggie Hall	Matilda Tidmarsh	Eli Heslop
Class 4	Isaac Aya	Maisie Lawson	

