



NEWSLETTER BULLETIN

FRIDAY 13th FEBRUARY 2026



We have come to the end of a very busy half term which started with the Ofsted inspection and ended with the Parents' Evenings. Thank you for all those who were able to attend and meet with the teachers. The children have all worked very hard and deserve a good rest over the holiday. We were hoping to have received the Ofsted report to share with you but unfortunately it has not yet arrived, when it does, we will send it out.

Unavoidable School Closures

We have escaped heavy snow so far, but in the event of a very heavy snowfall and the need to close the school, we will inform you via the *GroupCall* text, announcements on the local radio and via the school website.

Ash Wednesday – 18th February

Please see the parish newsletter attached for times of Masses.

Wednesday Word – see the latest issue on the school website

<https://www.chorleystmarys.lancs.sch.uk/our-school/catholic-education/wednesday-word>

Good Shepherd Appeal 2026

Immediately after the spring half-term break, week beginning 23rd February, we will begin the annual Nugent Care *Good Shepherd Appeal*. The table below lets you know what happens on each day. Thank you in advance, parents, carers and children for your donations and for the cakes, games and activities! We will do this for four weeks and in the last week of the half-term before the Easter break we will have the Good Shepherd Talent Show.



Day	Activity
Mondays	Cake sale – sell and buy cakes – max 1 per person – 50p each
Tuesdays	Games and activities –guess how many sweets are in a jar/ spot the ball/ name the teddy/ lucky dip etc.
Fridays	Disco in the hall – 50p voluntary contribution



Penny P from Year 6 has been caring and sharing this week, she has very kindly made Origami paper hearts for all the pupils and teachers in every class in school – that's over 250 hearts!! Well done Penny on your kind gesture and all your hard work!

Future Dates

Compass Bloom Sleep Assembly – First Week back after half-term break Tuesday 24th February 2026 at 9am. Parents/ carers of children in Years 3-6 are invited.

School Nurse Parental Drop In session – Wednesday 18th March, 9 – 10 a.m.

Baby and Toddler Group

We host a fantastic parent/ grandparent, baby and toddler group at St Mary's in the school hall on Monday afternoons – it's a very friendly group and the children have lots of fun. If you are interested, then please do come along or if you know anyone who you know think might be interested please point them in our direction. Thank you so much to the volunteers who come along to run the sessions each week. See the flyer at the bottom of the bulletin.

What's Your Story Chorley?

For details of the events and activities running – please follow the following link
<https://checkoutchorley.com/whatsyourstory>

Chorley Schools Sports Partnership

We have been asked to share details of some free adult health sessions that CSSP are running – please see the flyer on the bottom of the email.



Congratulations to the Holy Cross Year 8 football team who are the newly crowned Champions of Chorley –the team includes five former pupils including Jack, Sebastian T-S, George and Jacob.

ParentPay

Please could you check your accounts and settle any outstanding payments. Should you have any queries or require any assistance with the payments, please email the school office.

Parking & Staff Car Park

We would appreciate your cooperation in parking safely and considerately at drop-off and pick-up times. Please do not park on the staff carpark, the yellow zig zag lines outside the gates and please do not park across resident's driveways. Thank you.

School entrance

At the start and end of the school day there are two entrances to the school in use: Walgarth Drive and Warton Place. The Warton place entrance can also be accessed from Hornchurch Drive via the alleyway that runs parallel to the staff car park. Please **do not use** the path in the staff car park entrance. This may only be used during the school day when the other entrances are locked or when dropping children off for Breakfast Club or collecting from After School club.

Free School Meals – Are you missing out?

Find out if you are eligible and find out how to apply – follow this link.

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/children-education-families/schools/free-school-meals/?page=2>

STAR OF THE WEEK w/e 13.02.26

Class	Name	Star of the week for... & Value of the week for ...
s	Thomas	Super progress working on alliteration

Nursery	v	Petra	Being a kind and caring friend when needed
	Dojo	Coby	
R	s	Rosie	For putting 100% effort into everything she does.
	v	Olsen	For being kind and caring
	Dojo	Otilie and Tristan	
Y1	s	Rayne	For his excellent independent work in Maths this week
	v	Hannah	For being a kind and caring friend
	Dojo	George B	
Y2	s	Scout G	For her wonderful effort on her handwriting and carefully choosing topic specific vocabulary.
	v	Laura M and Eleanor I	For always showing forgiveness towards their peers.
	Dojo	Matilda G, Seb B and Marnie D	
Y3	s	James M	For listening carefully to the teacher's advice and acting upon it.
	v	Millie T	Always considerate of others thoughts and feelings.
Y4	s	Leo TJ	A great persuasive advert for a spy gadget.
	v	Caitlin F	For giving up her prize for someone else
Y5	s	Olivia R	Wonderful determination, focus and enthusiasm in all lessons – beautiful presentation too.
	v	Luke	Showing empathy and kindness to during my first week at St Mary's and always offering to help
Y6	s	Patch C	A wonderful piece of writing in history titled, 'Where the Vikings raiders or settlers?'
	v	Charlie W	For being kind and caring towards everyone that he meets.

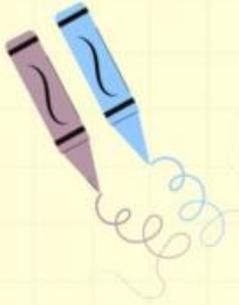


**Chorley, St Mary's Attendance League
2025/2026**



CURRENT POSITION	CLASS	CURRENT %
1 st	YEAR 3	97.55
2 nd	YEAR 4	97.23
=3 rd	YEAR 2	96.68
4 th	YEAR 1	96.50
5 th	RECEPTION	96.30
6 th	YEAR 5	96.22
7 th	YEAR 6	93.95

Chorley St Mary's Baby and Toddler Group



Come and join us for a play!

Pop up playgroup for children aged 0-4 years and their grown ups.



Session ends with story and song time.

Refreshments included.

£2 per family



No pre booking necessary

Mondays term time only 2-3pm

St Mary's Primary School Hornchurch Drive Chorley





A Fresh Start Revitalise Your Health

Join us for a **gentle** introduction to healthier living, designed to help you feel **supported, confident** and ready to begin your journey to a healthier, happier you. Over 2 mornings at our partner Primary Schools. Inc;

- 🕒 Breakfast meet-and-greet with the coaches.
- 👤 1 to 1 supportive health assessment.
- 🏃 Beginner-friendly, tailored physical activity.
- 🍳 Simple, healthy cooking session.



Making it
happen in
Chorley

FREE



St Peters Primary
10am Mon. 16th & Tue 17th February



Lancaster Lane Primary
10am Wed. 18th & Thu 19th February

www.chorleyssp.co.uk

Contact us
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