



'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.' Phil 4:13

Dates for diary (Please also see Weduc Calendar and Newsfeeds)

[School Holiday sheets available from the office](#)

For sports festivals for your child's class, please see additional messages from Mrs Jennings our sports lead and class teachers too.

Every Tuesday Morning: Toddler Group 9.15- 10.45am. £3 per session. All very welcome!

Wednesday 10th June- 6 week transition afternoons begin (see dates on newsletter for further info)

Wednesday 17th June—Year 5 Taster day—St John's

Owls' Residential Visit to Lockerbie 24.6.26—26.6.26

Monday 29th June—Year 6 Primary Festival

Wednesday 1st July—Nursery Graduation 9:15am

Friday 3rd July- Swifts trip to Botanical Gardens and End of Year Reports sent out

Monday 6th July—Beach Trip (Robins and Wrens)

Monday 6th July—Multi-skills festival Swifts Class

Monday 6th July—Football Tournament

Tuesday 7th July—Summer Performance of The Wizard Of Oz

Wednesday 8th July—Orienteering—Larks

Friday 10th July- Sports Afternoon 1.15pm

Friday 10th July- Y6 Annual Sleepover- further details to follow

Tuesday 14th July—Sponsored Walk 9:15am

Wednesday 15th July—Athletics Competition—Owls

Wednesday 15th July—Sports Awards Evening (Invite Only)

Thursday 16th July—Violin Performance 1:30pm

Thursday 16th July—Leavers' Assembly—2:30pm

Friday 17th July- Mass at St Mary's Church 10am

Break Up Friday 17th July

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday to Marianne and Arthur S and Mrs Sedgewick who all celebrate their birthday this week.



Y6 Transition

Our Year 6 pupils are all getting ready to transition to their new school in September. These are the transition dates for your new schools.

Teesdale School—9th /10th July

Staindrop School—9th/10th July

Carmel—9th July

We hope you have an amazing time!

Transition Afternoons 2026

Transition Afternoon 1: Wednesday 10th June

Transition 2: Wednesday 17th June

Transition 3: Wednesday 24th June (this session Owls are on residential. Y4 will have their session as planned with Mrs Lewandowski)

Transition 4: Wednesday 1st July

Transition 5: Wednesday 8th July

Transition 6: Wednesday 15th July.

*Transition 6 will be the Teddy Bear's Picnic for our new nursery starters and reception starters together. Children are encouraged to bring along a favourite teddy from home and enjoy a shared picnic as part of this transition afternoon.

Each afternoon session will be at the same time every week from 1.15pm- 3.15pm. Children will go back to their own classrooms for usual home time arrangements for 3.30pm.

Thankyou Parents- we are looking forward, as always to welcoming our new children in Reception Class. Once again, this year we have a full cohort of 15 children.

Staffing next year will remain the same in each year group:

- Miss Pryke: EYFS
- Miss North: Year 1 and 2 (Larks)
- Mrs Jennings Year 3 and 4 (Swifts)
- Mrs Porter Year 5 and 6 (Owls)

Family Mass Dates for 2025-2026

Each term here at St Mary's we gather together for our 'Family Mass' with Father Thomas, at St Mary's Catholic Church in Barnard Castle.

Parents, Grandparents, friends and family are all very welcome to join us- catholic or non- catholic, you are all so welcome and we do encourage you (if you can) to come along and join us.

The dates for your diary are as follows:

- ◆ Autumn Term Mass: Thursday 18th September 2025 Thank you to everybody who joined us for Mass!
- ◆ Spring Term Mass: Thursday 12th March 2026 Thank you to all who were able to attend.
- ◆ Summer term Mass : Friday 17th July 2026
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Each Mass will be at 10am. Hope to see you there.

Thankyou.



St Mary's Catholic School Weekly Newsletter



We are journeying together through Ordinary Time

15.06.26

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<https://stmarysbc.bhcet.org.uk>

Our Trust Virtues

Our Trust Virtues are weaved into all areas of our curriculum, and everything we do here at St Mary's. It is important that as we teach the virtues to our children that they have a good understanding of the vocabulary as well as what that looks like in themselves, in

others, in our school. Here are the 8 Virtues that we promote and celebrate as a school community:

- ◆ Respect
- ◆ Responsibility
- ◆ Justice
- ◆ Compassion
- ◆ Self Belief
- ◆ Resilience
- ◆ Honesty
- ◆ Confidence



These virtues link closely to our Catholic Social Teaching Principles (CST) that underpin everything we do as a school, and as a Trust.

Attendance this week

'Minutes count, Attendance Matters!'



- Robins- 96%
- Larks- 96.7%
- Swifts- 95.7%
- Owls- 95.6%

School holidays during term time will not be authorised. Our attendance policy is available on our website for further information.

Please don't let your child miss out on the education they deserve.

Every day. Every pupil. Every minute!
Make it count!

Get creative!

In the next few weeks, all classes will be given some very special homework!

Children are invited to create an entry for Bowes Agricultural Show! Please see Miss North's Weduc message for further information.

The classes include:

- A miniature scarecrow (Owls)
- A decorated stone (under 15cms) (Swifts)
- A seaside in a container (Larks)
- A decorated plant pot (Robins)

Mini-Police Project



Owls are taking part in a 3 week project to introduce them to the police through fun and interactive sessions. These take place on Thursdays in June.

We're off to the beach!

Larks, Robins and Wrens are learning all about the seaside and are excited to be visiting Saltburn on Monday 6th July.

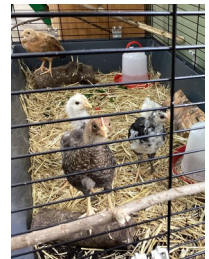
Please make sure all children come to school that day wearing their school jumper/cardigan. Children must bring a small backpack (one they can carry themselves) containing a packed lunch, water bottle, sunscreen and a weatherproof coat.



Nursery Adventure!



Our nursery children popped to the pet shop this week to buy chick crumb for our ever-growing chicks!



Mocha, Jammy, Bruce, Cinnamon, Peach and Maple are almost too big to stay in Robins and Wrens and Mrs Tallentire and Mrs Porter are busy preparing their new home in the community garden.