



St Mary's Catholic School
Weekly Newsletter



2.2.24

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

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

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 Miss C our sports lead and class teacher



February 5th- 9th 'Children's Mental Health Awareness Week

Monday 5th February- Non Uniform Day 'Express Yourself!'

Tuesday 6th February- Safer Internet Day

Tuesday 6th Feb- Owls parent info meeting for Youth Village Retreat
3.30pm- 4pm

Wednesday 7th February ' Time to talk day!! Coffee Morning 9-11am

Wednesday 7th 1-3pm Photoshoot in school to update website pictures (BH CET)

Thursday 8th Feb- Chinese New Year Lunch

Friday 9th February- Break up for half term. Return to school Monday 19th February.

Holiday Club with Kyle Swankie: Monday 12th, Wednesday 14th, Friday 16th. Contact Kyle for further details.

Saturday 10th February- Table Top Sale 10-12 school hall. £5 per table and the rest is your own! Further details to follow.

Saturday 10th Feb- Chinese New Year. Year of the Dragon

February 14th ... Lent Begins with Ash Wednesday (40 days)

Time to Shine Classes- Y6 only 3.30pm- 4.30pm. See additional message from Mrs Porter.



Wednesday 21st- 23rd Owls Residential Retreat.

Friday 23rd - Stations of the Cross Candle Time. All welcome to join us.

Tuesday 27th-12th March- Fairtrade Fortnight

Thursday February 29th- Family Mass St Mary's RC Church 10am.
All Welcome!

Friday 1st March- Fairtrade Bake Off Competition!

Tuesday 5th March- Mini Medics Mental Health Focus- parents and children (please let me know if you are interested, thank you to those who have done so already)

Thursday 7th March- World Book Day

International Woman's Day- Friday 8th- Robins Candle Time. All Invited.

Monday 11th March- British Science Week

Wednesday 13th March- Owls visit to GSK!

Sunday 17th- St Patrick's Day

Tuesday 19th, 20th, 21st- Sports Events. Please see individual Weduc messages from class teacher.

Sunday 24th- Palm Sunday/ Oscar Romero Day

Dress To Express!

Monday 5th February

Supporting Children's Mental Health Week
Come to school dressed in your own clothes - celebrating you being you!!



Cafod's Big Lent Walk

February 14th-28th

<https://cafod.org.uk/fundraise/big-lent-walk>

As a school we will be taking part in supporting the Big Lent Walk 2024. Sponsor forms will come home shortly with each child, and further information also, about how you can get involved and support some of our staff who are also organising their own walks raise funds for Cafod this year. This is an excellent example of true Faith In Action, and forms part of our Live Simply pledge for this year too. Further details will follow from myself, Mrs Dominick and Mrs T.

Time to hunt out those hiking boots again!!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday to April and Josh N who both celebrate their birthday next week. Have a great day!



Holy Communion 2024

This year we have two children making their First Holy Communion with us, here at St Mary's Catholic Church.

Please pray for both Evelyn and Enzo, as they begin their journey of preparation with Father Thomas and Mrs McAuley.



Spring Term Table Top Sale

'Grab a Bargain!!

If you are interested in having your own stall at our table top sale, or perhaps know somebody in your family who would like to have one, get in touch and let us know. We would love to see you there whether it's selling, shopping or browsing. Valentine's

Raffle and refreshments will be available too. £5 per table, and the rest of the money you make is your own! Thankyou!



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

- Robins- 98%**
- Larks- 93%**
- Swifts- 100%**
- Owls- 100%**



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

SWANKIE SPORTS HOLIDAY CLUB

Over the February half term, Kyle Swankie is offering holiday club on the following days:

- Monday 12th Feb
- Wednesday 14th Feb
- Friday 16th Feb

The club is £15 per day. 9-3pm here at St Mary's.

Contact Kyle directly to book:

07841038641

kyleswankie11@gmail.com

Faith In Action

[Livesimply award \(cafod.org.uk\)](http://livesimplyaward.cafod.org.uk)



As part of their River Walk this week, our Owls class also took the opportunity to carry out their first community litter pick.

'Good Job boys and girls!'



Spring Term Coffee Morning 'Time to Talk'

Time to Talk Day is celebrated at the beginning of February this year, so we thought we would hold our termly coffee morning around that date, as part of Children's mental Health week.

Come in, relax, talk with friends and make new ones, enjoy a cuppa and a slice of cake!

'It's always good to talk!'

Wednesday 7th February

9-11am

Drop in anytime !

