



'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 1st April—Robins Multi-Skills Festival

Wednesday 1st April—SEND Parent's Meeting

**Thursday 2nd April—Swifts Celebration of the Word
Easter (All Welcome)**

Thursday 2nd April- Easter Disco 5- 7.30pm. Tickets required.

Easter Holiday 3.4.26—17.4.26

Bank Holiday Monday 4th May

Y6 SAT Assessment Week W.B. 11.5.26

Monday 18th May—Y6 Orienteering

**Thursday 21st May—Larks Celebration of the Word
(All Welcome)**

Summer Half Term 22.5.26—29.5.26

First Holy Communion Mass Sunday 7th June

Owls' Residential Visit to Lockerbie 24.6.26—26.6.26

(See MCAS for payment plan)

Break Up Friday 17th July

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



Attend Today = Achieve Tomorrow

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday Reuben and Charles who both celebrate birthdays this week.



Thursday 2nd April

Easter Disco

5pm- 7.30pm

Save the Date

Refreshments/Tatoos/Face Painting

All children welcome. Nursery and Reception children must be accompanied by an adult.

Tickets can be purchased from Arbor
£3 per ticket or £5 family ticket



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**

Each Mass will be at 10am. Hope to see you there. Thankyou.

Holy Communion 2026

Children making their First Holy Communion this year are: **Katie, Rosalia, Gabriela, Margaret and Raph**. Please keep the children in your prayers throughout their preparation journey. Thankyou to both Father Thomas and Mrs McAuley who lead and organise the weekly preparation classes.

Sunday 7th June 2026





St Mary's Catholic School Weekly Newsletter

We are journeying together through Lent.'



27.03.26

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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.

Already most of our children are now wearing black joggers or black leggings for PE, or red shorts now the weather is slightly warmer too! A reminder that as in previous newsletters we do expect to see all children wearing full PE kit after Easter. Joggers can be purchased from most supermarkets at a very reasonable price, as can the red shorts and PE t-shirts from Etika. As always, any issues come and see me- always happy to help!

Thankyou in advance for your cooperation.

Ladies Who Love Us!

A huge thankyou and well done to our Little Wrens and Robins for their beautiful Candle Time this morning. It was just wonderful!



Your prayers, singing and special messages to all of our special ladies both at home and at school melted our hearts!

Attendance this week

'Minutes count, Attendance Matters!'



- Robins- 99%
- Larks- 98%
- Swifts- 96%
- Owls- 99%

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!**

BEAMISH TRIP

The children in Swifts class thoroughly enjoyed their trip to Beamish today as part of their Victorian topic this term.

Thankyou to our parent helpers for giving up their time to go along to the trip with Mrs Jennings and Mrs Metcalfe.

We hope you've had a fabulous day. Photographs will fol-

Parish Strategy Meeting

'Your Voice Matters'

We are all invited to attend a meeting on Tuesday 31st March at 3pm here in school to discuss how our parishes will worship, serve and grow over the coming years.

The meeting will not be for very long at and we would like to encourage as many of you as we can, to come along. We hope to see you there.

Arbor is now live!

You are now able to order school meals, book and pay for trips and purchase your disco tickets using Arbor!



Any concerns please check the Arbor Portal or message Mrs Sedgewick.

Good Luck!