

St Mary's Catholic School Weekly Newsletter



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



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

School Holiday sheets available from the lobby

For sports festivals for your child's class, please see additional messages from Miss C our sports lead and class teacher

- Monday 22nd January- Chinese New Year 'Year of the Dragon'
- Saturday 27th January- Big Garden Birdwatch & Holocaust Memorial Day
- February 5th-9th 'Children's Mental Health Awareness Week
- Monday 5th February Non Uniform Day 'Express Yourself!'
- Tuesday 6th February Safer Internet Day
- Wednesday 7th February -Time to talk day!! Coffee Morning 9-11am
- Wednesday 7th February 1.30pm Photoshoot in school to update website pictures (BHCET)
- 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 Feb. See separate section on newsletter.
- Saturday 10th February- Table Top Sale 10-12 school hall. £5 per table and the rest is your own! Further details to follow.
- February 14th ... Lent Begins with Ash Wednesday
- Wednesday 21st 23rd Owls Residential Retreat.
- Friday 23rd Stations of the Cross Candle Time. All welcome to join us.
- Tuesday 27th Feb -12th March- Fairtrade Fortnight
- 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
- Friday 8th- International Woman's Day Robins Candle Time, All Invited.
- Monday 11th March British Science Week
- Wednesday 13th March Owls visit to GSK!
- Sunday 17th March St Patrick's Day
- 19th, 20th & 21st March Sports Events. Please see individual Weduc messages from class teacher.
- Sunday 24th March Palm Sunday/ Oscar Romero Day
- Thursday 28th March- BREAK UP for Easter. Return to school Monday 15th April.

PHEW.... That's a list!!

BHCET PUPIL PARLIAMENT

This week Miles was officially 'sworn' in as our official member of Parliament for Bishop Hogarth Catholic Trust. Each of the 35 schools across our Trust have a member of parliament (MP)

Together the Pupil Parliament will lead projects, events and bring about change so that our family of schools can be the best version of ourselves and make a difference in our communities.

Our MPs will meet termly to investigate problems, come up with new ideas and make plans. Pupils will take on the role for one year before handing it over to someone else in our school. What an opportunity!

Meet your MP here at St Mary's... Miles Campbell



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy Birthday to Isla who celebrated her 11th birthday on Thursday





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Attendance this week

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 $\underline{8\ Virtues}$ 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.

Faith In Action

We are looking forward to our Pupil Leadership groups joining together, along with our staff to work towards achieving our Live Simply Award.

This week I met with our Climate Change Champions, and next week I am meeting with our Faith In Action Group to discuss ideas and come up with an action plan.

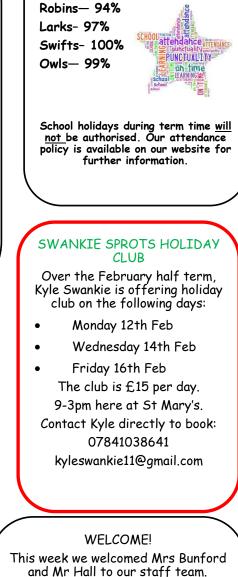
We are looking forward to seeing what we can do to live Simply, Sustainably and in Solidarity.

Live simply award (cafod.org.uk)

Anxious About Schools Project

Thank you so much to the parents who came along on Tuesday for the Anxious About School Project, Parent Workshops. I hope you found it useful. We are looking forward to working with Chris, Vikki and the team to help us all, as a school community help our children and families to cope better with anxieties around school. Further information and signposting is available from our school entrance if you weren't able to make it but would like further info. Thank you!





They have both settled in well over their first week and I just wanted to say a huge thankyou to the children (and staff) for making extra efforts to make them feel welcome, and part of our school family right from day one! I would expect nothing else from our children of coursethey are just wonderful!

Enjoy the weekend after your first week Mr Hall and Mrs Bunford and thankyou for all of your hard work. I hope you're coming back next week!!