



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

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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 too;



Please can I politely remind parents that any holidays taken during term time will not be authorised. Thankyou

SUMMER TERM

EVERY FRIDAY IS A FOOD BANK FRIDAY! IF WE CAN, BRING IN JUST 1 TIN OR PACKET FOR OUR FOODBANK.



Summer 2nd half Term

Tuesday 25th June- Year 6 Youth Festival, Youth Village. Bus Leaving 8.30am prompt. See Mrs P Weduc message for further info

Wednesday June 26th- Friday June 28th Year 5 and 6 Lockerbie Residential

Wednesday 3rd July- Sports Afternoon 1.30pm

Thursday 4th July: Summer Term Mass. Readings and prayers from, and for our Year 6 leavers.

Thursday 11th- Sports Presentation * individual invites will be sent out once votes are in! Miss C our Sports Lead is working incredibly hard to organise their presentation and if it goes well we are hoping to make it an annual Summer Term event.



Wednesday 17th July- End of Year Reports sent home

Thursday 18th July 2.30pm, Year 6 Leaver's Assembly, followed by Afternoon Tea for Year 6 parents/ visitors.

Transition Sessions for new starters and whole school moving up a year group. Further details will follow but the following Tuesday afternoons will be transition afternoons: **Tuesday 11th June 1.30-3pm, Tuesday 18th, Tuesday 25th, Tuesday 2nd July, Tuesday 9th, Tuesday 16th,**



BREAK UP FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS FRIDAY 19TH JULY

ATTENDANCE MATTERS



MINUTES COUNT!

Attend Today= Achieve Tomorrow

As a school we are very fortunate to have parents that completely understand and support the importance of attendance.

Whilst our attendance is very good overall, I just want to reiterate the importance of attendance and every day, and minute counting!

We often see patterns from our attendance data showing the same children arriving late. Every minute counts so can we make a big effort to get our children to school before **9am, ready to start the lessons. Anyone arriving after the 9am register is marked late. FINES FOR BEING LATE CAN ALSO OCCUR.**

Holidays during term time WILL NOT be authorised, and the fine for holidays is increasing to £80 per child, per adult.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday to Raph, Rosalia, Luna and Arthur S who celebrate their birthday this week. Have a wonderful day!



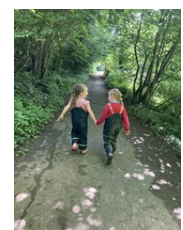
EFYS... WHAT A WEEK!!

EYFS have had an incredibly busy week this week! Their sunflowers on the market stall in town went down well and both children and staff said it was an absolutely fantastic day and experience for the children. Thankyou again to all those who came along to visit the stall, we really do appreciate it. Lots more photographs are on our school FB page for you to have a look at.

Then we also had a wonderful Forest School session on Thursday with lots of dads, grandads and even older brothers come along to join us too.

Mrs Dominick and Mrs T said it was a very busy, butterfly themes session enjoyed by all!

More photographs on our FB page too.



Transition Afternoons

A few pictures from our transition afternoons for our new starters in September... adorable! They are settling in really well and enjoyed Brown Bear's birthday celebrations this week with Miss Callender and Mrs T!





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Ordinary Time



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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.

Attendance this week

'Minutes count, Attendance Matters!'

- Robins- 100%**
- Larks- 99%**
- Swifts- 98%**
- Owls- 96%**



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

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

Lockerbie Residential 2024

It is almost here... and don't we know it!! The children are VERY excited for their residential next week- as is Mrs Porter and Miss Pascov! Don't forget to check previous emails from Mrs P that give you further information about what to pack etc.

It is always a fantastic few days and I am sure the children will have an amazing time. Mrs Porter will keep me well informed with photographs and I will of course share with you all when I receive them.

Jubilee Year 2024

The Holy Year starts with the opening of the Holy Door in St. Peter's Basilica. A Jubilee Year is a special time in the Catholic Church for **forgiveness** and **reconciliation**. The first Jubilee was declared by Pope Boniface VIII in 1300. Over time, the interval between Jubilees has changed, but Pope Saint Paul II set the current 25-year interval in the 1500s. The 2025 Jubilee, titled "Spes Non Confudit" meaning "Hope Does Not Disappoint," will be a year of hope and trust, emphasising God's mercy and forgiveness.

As we prepare for the Jubilee, let's embrace the message of **hope** and become 'Pilgrims of Hope.' This Holy Year is an opportunity to renew our **faith**, **strengthen** our **community**, and focus on the future with **trust** and **confidence**. **Children will be learning about the Jubilee Year as part of whole school Candle Times, class prayer and at Mass.**

Here Comes the Sun....

At last, a forecast for sunshine over the next week or so...

fingers crossed!!

Don't forget to apply sun cream prior to coming in to school, water bottles and hats. Sunglasses are fine to bring in too if children would like to.

'Let's Stay Safe in the Sun!'

