



'We are journeying together through Lent'

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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;

Wednesday 27th March - Y3/4 Orienteering * not ALL pupils

Sunday 24th- Palm Sunday/ Oscar Romero Day



Tuesday 26th- Bingo Bonanza- here in school 9-11am.

REPORTS: Spring Term Progress Reports will go out on Wednesday 27th March via Weduc.

Thursday 28th- Whole School Big Lent Walk- parents invited!

Thursday 28th March- BREAK UP for Easter. * deadline for pupil/parent questionnaires

Thursday 28th March- School Disco- tickets now on sale. See Weduc Newsfeed and FB Page. (PP children free tickets)

Return to school Monday 15th April.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

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



Big Lent Walk Updates

On Thursday 28th March we are going to have one final Big Lent Walk as a whole school. Each class will plan a time, and invite parents to come along to join us for a local walk to help give one last push towards raising as much as we can for Cafod. We are doing so well and have already reached our goal in km- AND our £200 goal too.

Further information will follow via Weduc but save the date and get those walking boots ready!

Afterwards, each class will have refreshments too so you can enjoy a cuppa and put your feet up!

Donations welcome but we hoped that if every child and adult brought £1 to join in the walk that would be just wonderful!

ALSO... Robin Bear will need a good home after his Big Lent Walk so we will be raffling Robin too, to help raise further funds!

These will be on sale as of Monday, and the raffle will be drawn on the 28th March.

Thanks so much everybody!



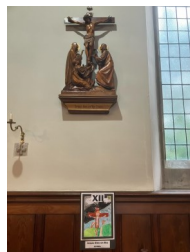
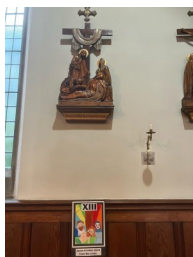
Stations of The Cross

Father Thomas has collected our Stations of the Cross artwork and displayed them in Church, alongside their existing Stations.

Father commented on how impressed he was with the thought, and careful consideration, as well as creativity the children had given to each one.

Maybe you will get to see them too when you are at Mass this weekend. Encourage your family to go along and have a look too.

Well done boys and girls - thankyou Father Thomas.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

No birthday this week!

Holy Week

On Sunday it is Psalm Sunday, the beginning of Holy Week



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.



Please make sure that children arrive **no earlier than 8.45am** on a morning, unless of course they are at breakfast club.

This is to ensure that our children are safe and that an adult is in the classroom to welcome them in.

Many thanks





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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- 96%
Swifts- 99%
Owls- 99%



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

Coffee Morning and Bingo Bonanza!

Our next coffee morning here in school will be held on Tuesday 26th March 9am -11am

Drop in anytime- we will have 2 games of Bingo within the session- prizes to be won!



NEW After School Club starting After Easter

Nurturing Our Wellbeing!

Mrs Lewandowski, our Wellbeing and Senior Mental Health Lead, would love to start an after school club after Easter, along with some of our Peer Mentors. (Peer Mentors will not pay for club!)

Activities will include ice breaker sessions, creative arts, group discussions, games, stories and an opportunity to chat comfortably with others about how we are feeling and things that help us to express, manage and cope with different feelings and emotions.

Our peer mentors are meeting next week, with Mrs Lew, to put together their plan and focus for each of the sessions. We will then make sessions payable via MCAS.

The sessions will run every Thursday 3.30pm - 4.30pm for a 6 week block. Anyone can attend but places will be limited due to the nature and the intentions of the sessions. Pupil Premium children can attend free of charge. The cost of the club will be **£3 per session** and this includes activities, resources and refreshments.

SWANKIE SPORTS HOLIDAY CLUB Easter Holiday Club

We are working in partnership with Kyle Swankie to offer a 4 day Easter holiday club, here at St Mary's

9-3pm

Contact Kyle directly to book:

07841038641

Places will be limited so if you are interested, get in quick as other schools will also be joining us!

kyleswankie11@gmail.com

Week 1: week commencing 1st April
Tuesday - Friday

Week 2: week commencing 8th April
Tuesday - Friday



Last Chance for Story Jars!

Don't forget to take your story jars home boys and girls- they can be collected from the hall.

Thankyou

