



'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 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

Welcome back everybody!

SUMMER TERM

May: The Month of Mary



Friday 24th May- break up for half term. Return to school on Monday 3rd June

Summer 2nd half Term

June: Gypsy, Roma and Traveller History Month.

Wednesday 5th June: Bishop Stephen visiting school.

Wednesday 5th June: World Environment Day. Visit from Bishop Stephen

Friday 7th June- Year 6 Sleepover. Arrive back to school 5pm, collected at 9am following morning.

Wednesday 19th June- National thank a teacher day

Wednesday 19th June- St Mary's Farmer's Market Stall. Further info to follow.

Thursday 20th June- World Refugee Day

Tuesday 25th June- Year 6 Youth Festival, Youth Village

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

Friday 28th Missio Day of Many Colours, Colour Run. Further details to follow.

Wednesday 3rd July- Sports Afternoon 1.30pm

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

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.

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

Thankyou as always parents for your support.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday to Abigail, Alfie, Margaret, Albie and Nancy who all celebrate their birthday this week..



Holy Communion 2024

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

Date of Holy Communion:

1st June at Middleton (Enzo) 9.30am

2nd June at St Mary's BC (Evelyn) 9.30am

It would be lovely if you are able to join us on the 2nd, with both families for celebration cake and coffee following Mass, in church.



Happy World Children's Day!

It was wonderful to see many of you at our Candle Time this afternoon, to celebrate the very first World Children's Day.

If you were not able to attend, I have attached the link below with a special message from Pope Francis and also Bishop Stephen Wright.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uH4A6J3XSeg>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xgtHzFvWzec&t=5s>



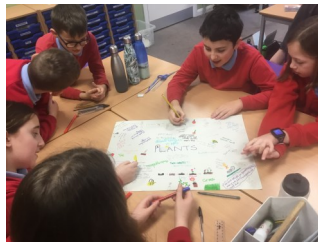


Our Trust Virtues

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.

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

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

Week Commencing: Monday 3rd June 2024

THEME FOR THE WEEK: 'The Eucharist.'

LINKED CST PRINCIPLE
LINKED BH CET VIRTUE

CORPUS CHRISTI CELEBRATED
PREV SUNDAY WEEK NINE OF ORD TIME YEAR B
'This is my body, this is my blood.' Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

WORLD RELIGIONS AND CULTURAL EVENTS:
5th, World Environment Day

FEAST DAYS AND MEMORIALS THIS WEEK:
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Thanksgiving for the Eucharist, 3rd St Charles Lvanga and compa, 5th St Boniface, 7th St Robert of Newminster, 7th Trist Patronal Feast Day- The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus 8th June- Trist Patronal Feast Day- St William of York
JUNE IS THE MONTH OF THE SACRED HEART

Self Belief
Honesty

St Mary's Sports Awards Presentation Evening
'A Celebration of Sporting Achievements'

Thursday 11th July

4pm: Arrive and Refreshments

4.15pm- 5pm: (approx) Presentation of Awards

Miss Callender will shortly be sending out Weduc messages to all parents, whose child will be receiving an award.

We hope you can attend- everybody is welcome to come along

Further info to follow...



Food Bank Fridays

Don't forget to bring just 1 tin or packet to school, if you can one Friday per month. All items collected support our own families here in school and local communities in the areas of both Barnard Castle and Bishop Auckland. Thankyou!

'It is not God's will for some to have all, and others to have nothing'

(Oscar Romero)



Owls Residential

Mrs Porter would like to have a brief information evening for the Owl's residential to Lockerbie. The date of the meeting will be confirmed and Mrs Porter will send you a Weduc message. Thankyou

The children can not wait!!!