



St Mary's Catholic School
Weekly Newsletter



'We a re journeying together through Lent'



8.3.24

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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 20th March- Y5/6 Festival

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

Monday 11th March- British Science Week

Wednesday 13th March- Owls visit to GSK!

Sunday 17th- St Patrick's Day

Tuesday 19th March- Meet Parade after school club. Parent helpers required. Please see Mrs Dominick's additional messages.

Tuesday 19th, 20th, 21st- Sports Events. Please see individual Weduc messages from class teacher.

Sunday 24th- Palm Sunday/ Oscar Romero Day

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

Thursday 28th March- BREAK UP for Easter.

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



LENT UPDATES

We have almost reached our £200 target- just £17 to go!!

It is wonderful to see everybody coming together both at school, and at home during your own weekend's to raise money for such an important cause.

We are incredibly lucky to have such supportive children, parents and staff.

Thank you so much everybody!



St Mary's BC Big Lent Walk

THE BIG LENT WALK: SCHOOLS

Raised £183 Target £200

Distance travelled 342.1 km Target 200 km

My story

https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/st-marys-bc-big-lent-walk?utm_medium=email&utm_source=PostOffice&utm_campaign=DS_EVENTS-LFC_Trans_NthDonation

Stations of The Cross

On Thursday 14th March 2.30pm, Father Thomas is coming in to school for a Stations of the Cross reflection

The children have created the stations- from EYFS to Year 6, and we have displayed them in the hall.

Please join us if you can for this special prayerful journey during Lent.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday to Rosie who celebrates her birthday this week. Have a lovely day Rosie.



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.



Thankyou so much to Max's Grandad for giving up some of his own free time to coach cricket with some of our children on Tuesday after school.

The children thoroughly enjoyed it and it is always brilliant to see them developing new skills and sporting interests.

We really appreciate your time Mr Murdoch- Max is also very proud!



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

Robins-93%
Larks- 96%
Swifts- 98%
Owls- 95%



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

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

World Book Day 2024
Thursday March 7th

'Inspiring a child to read is one of the greatest gifts you can give' (information)

Congratulations to Pip and Edward, our winners of the Story in a Jar Competition.

We had some wonderful entries boys and girls- well done everyone and thank you for taking the time to enter. I would love to keep one or two for a short while to display in our school library.

Well done!

Lots of pics on our school website and FB page- thank you!

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!

Coffee Morning



Monday 11th March is British Science Week.

Aspiring Scientists



We have lots of exciting plans for the children in school, and our Year 5 and 6 children are going to visit GSK for a tour and experience what it is like to be a 'real scientist' at work! Who knows... some of them may end up working for GSK like many of our parents.

Fabulous!