



# St Mary's Catholic School Weekly Newsletter



# 14.3.25

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**'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 Mrs Jennings our sports lead and class teachers too.**

**Every Tuesday Morning: Toddler Group 9.15- 10.45am. £3 per session. All very welcome!**

**Monday 3rd March- Fairtrade Fortnight**

**Monday 17th March- SEND surgery drop in 2pm- 3.30pm ( change of date )**

**Sunday 16th- Holi Festival**

**Monday 17th March- Robins trip to Hall Hill Farm**

**Thursday 20th March- Spring Term Family Mass—all welcome as always. St Mary's Catholic Church 10am.**

**Monday 24th March-Swifts trip to Roman Fort**

**Wednesday 26th March- Maths Day- dress as a number significant to you! ( football shirt, favourite number, your age... maybe design your own t-shirt or simply design a badger?)**

**Friday 28th March- Ladies who Love Us Candle Time. All welcome ( Larks class leading) 2.30pm.**

**Monday 31st March- Music Performance 2.30pm. All parents invited. Children presenting from each class.**

**Friday 4th April- Some of Owls children joining Mrs Porter to serve Lenten Lunches in town.**

**Saturday 5th April- Easter Fayre 10-12noon See Weduc.**

**Monday 7th April Bikeability -selected KS2. Further info to follow.**

**Wednesday 9th April- School Disco. See further details on newsletter.**

**Friday 11th April- EYFS (Robins) Easter themed Candle Time Parents Invited**

**Thursday 10th April- St Mary's Sponsored Walk. 9.30am set off.**

**Friday April 11th- Break up for Easter—return Monday 28th April.**

**SEE ADDITIONAL INFO ON PAGE 2 FOR CLASS CANDLE TIMES**

## Family Mass Dates and Times

**St Mary's Catholic Church 10am**

**Spring Term: Thursday 20th March 2025**

**Summer Term: Thursday 10th July 2025**

## ATTENDANCE MATTERS



### MINUTES COUNT!

**Attend Today= Achieve Tomorrow**

Every minute counts so can we make a big effort to get our children to school before **9am, ready for prompt registration at 9am. 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.**

Thankyou as always parents for your support.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday to Rosie, Charlie, Finlay and Roscoe who all celebrate their birthday this week. Have a lovely day!



## St Mary's Sponsored Walk

### 'Different Strokes'

Further details are on both our FB Page and Weduc.

Sponsor forms are available from the office/ front porch if you need them printed off—please just ask.

Thankyou so much St Mary's!



## Drop- In SEND Surgery Monday 17th March 2pm- 3.30pm

A Weduc message has been previously sent out this week with information about a drop in SEND surgery here in school with a lady called Helen from the EWEL team ( Emotional Wellbeing and Effective Learning Team

**NOTE: CHANGE OF DATE!**



The children ( not staff) have brought 'Foodbank Friday's back during Lent... boys and girls you are amazing and this truly is Faith In Action for those less fortunate than ourselves. You are a credit to our school. Thankyou!





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**PILGRIMS OF HOPE: Jubilee Year 2025**  
**First Friday of Lent**



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



**Well done Swifts Class!**

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!

### Candle Times we would like to share with Parents

Please make a note of the additional dates below for the class Assembly, lead by the children linking to specific themes. Parents are welcome and we hope you can come and join us!

All Candle Times are at **2.30pm** on the dates below:

Friday 14th February: **SWIFTS** Class 'All You Need is Love!'

Friday 28th March: **LARKS** Class 'Ladies Who Love Us'

Friday 11th April 2025: **ROBINS** Class 'Easter themed'

Thursday 22nd May 2025 **LARKS** Class themed assembly

Friday 18th July 2025 **OWLS** Class Leavers Assembly

Please continue to pray for the children who are preparing to make their First Holy Communion this summer.

We pray for:

Sophia

Reece

Rowan

and our friends Florence, Ava and Georgia.

Date to be confirmed by Father Thomas and Claire McAuley.

Thankyou!



Don't forget to get your Easter Disco tickets!

Date: Wednesday 9th April 25

Time: 5.30pm—7.30pm

£3 per ticket/ £5 family ticket.

Nursery and reception children very welcome but must be accompanied by an adult.  
Thankyou!



### EASTER FAYRE

**SATURDAY 5TH APRIL 2025**

**10AM—12 NOON**

Giant Bunny raffle  
Face painting/ Tattoos  
Egg hunt  
Bingo  
Chocolate Tombola  
Cakes and bakes stall  
Fudge stall  
Teesdale Toys stall  
Tea/Coffee and SO much more!!



Join us if you can- bring along friends and family- we would love to see you there and to support our Spring term fundraiser. Thankyou!

