



'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!

Spring Half Term: Break up Thursday 20th Feb and back to school Monday 3rd March

Monday 3rd March- Fairtrade Fortnight

Tuesday 4th March- Two children attending the Creative Day with BHCET as part of Jubilee Year celebrations. Weduc messages have been sent out.

Tuesday 4th March- SEND surgery drop in 2pm- 3.30pm

Wednesday 5th March- Ash Wednesday. Lent Begins. Whole school attend Mass 10am. All Welcome.

Thursday 6th March- World Book Day

Friday 7th-16th March- World Science Week

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.

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

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



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 Oliver who celebrates his birthday this week and also to Connie, Olivia and Rowan who all celebrate their birthday during half term.

Hope you all have a fabulous day!



Let's Get Knitting!!

The girls are all set for their knitting club starting after half term during Wednesday and Thursday lunch times.

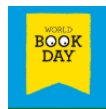
Thankyou for the donations of wool and knitting needles- much appreciated!

Any parents or grandparents wanting to join us on a Wednesday or Thursday lunch time 12.30pm- 1pm you are very welcome!



World Book Day 2025

Thursday 6th March



Come to school dressed in either your favourite book character or in your pjs ready for some bedtime reads!!

No need to spend money on costumes- the best ones are always home made!

Any donations of costumes you may have that no longer fit we are happy to have a 'pre- loved costume' bank leading up to the Thursday. Just bring them in to school and we will set up a little area for parents or children to browse.

Get in touch if you need any support with costumes.



Drop- In SEND Surgery

Tuesday 4th 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



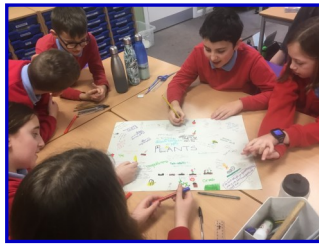


Our Trust Virtues

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- 100%
Swifts-95%
Owls- 97%



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

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

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

Edinburgh Residential 2025 Owls Class

The residential trip to Edinburgh this year is from Wednesday 11th June- Friday 13th June 2025.

Mrs Porter will hold meeting closer to the time with all the relevant information you will need to know so that the children have what they need and you are away of their very full itinerary!

Monthly or weekly payments can be paid using MCIAS app.

Many thanks



Pink Day Fundraiser 'Faith In Action'

Thankyou to the children in Owls class for organizing and inviting everybody to take part in their 'Wear Pink to School Day' to support Cancer Research. This fed beautifully into their RE curriculum this week and of course our everyday responsibilities in carrying out catholic social teaching principles.

The children voted and gave reasons for different choices of charities and decided themselves on the theme of wearing pink and having a pink bake sale.

In total they raised: £113.61

Thankyou for your kind donations and support!

Little Wrens Nursery

We offer flexible hours to children the term after their 3rd birthday at Little Wrens. If you are interested we still have places available- come and have a look around at the stunning environment and meet the team!

Ring 0833 637029 or email office @stmarysbc.bhcet.org.uk

Come and join the St Mary's family!

'St Mary's is a welcoming and inclusive school where pupils thrive.'

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