



'I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me.' Phil 4:13

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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 Mrs Jennings our sports lead and class teachers too.

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

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January 29th- Chinese New Year

Sunday 2nd February- PARISH Social Event- Afternoon Tea 2-4pm here in school hall. FREE event, shared table and activities. See FB too for further info.

Monday 3rd February- Owls trip to Life Centre. See Weduc messages for further info and details of trip.

Wednesday 5th February- More than Dance in school 'What is hope?

February 11th- Safer Internet Day

Thursday 13th February- Valentine Coffee Morning. All welcome 9- 10.45am.

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

Monday 3rd March- Fairtrade Fortnight

Wednesday 5th March- Ash Wednesday. Lent Begins. Whole school attend Mass

Thursday 6th March- World Book Day- further info will follow.

Friday 7th-16th March- World Science Week

Sunday 16th- Holi Festival

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 ADDITIOINL 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 Cassian who celebrated his birthday this week. Hope you had a great day Cassian!



ANNUAL MEET PARADE

We received a cheque this week for £250 to contribute towards resources for the annual Meet Parade.

The theme this year is transport... Mrs Dominick already has some ideas and is hoping that we have a group of parents to get involved with after school preparation clubs and who can hopefully attend on the day too.

We will be in touch with further details.

Thankyou so much!



Pilgrims of Hope Wreath Competition



Thankyou to all of the children (and families) who took part in our Pilgrims of Hope Wreath making competition- linking to the opening of the holy doors.

Father Thomas was in a while judging and he was very impressed with each and every one of them. He loved how each entry was different and was impressed with the time and effort that had clearly been invested! Pictures of the wreaths are on our Facebook Page with Father's first prize going to Fearne, and runner up to Tilly. Congratulations to you both! Well done to everybody. Thankyou so much for participating!, they are all just beautiful!

Valentine Coffee Morning

Join us for coffee and cake on Thursday 13th February.

Drop in anytime between 9.15am and 9.45am- everybody welcome!

Coffee/Cakes/Valentine Raffle



'Share the Love!'

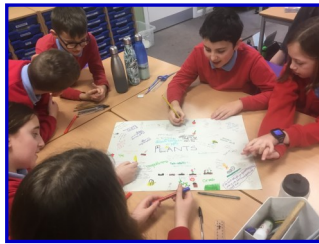


Our Trust Virtues

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-99%**
- Larks- 97%**
- Swifts-95%**
- 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!

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



**FREE Family Event
SUNDAY 2ND FEBRUARY
Afternoon Tea**

Don't forget this Sunday there is **FREE** family event in school.

Come along anytime between **2pm- 4pm** and enjoy:

Arts and Crafts Activities

Afternoon Tea (shared table, home baking needs to have ingredients listed remember)

Liturgy with Father Thomas

Donations welcome on the day- all proceedings will go to St Mary's Catholic Church.

'We would love to see you there if you are free!'



Owls class trip is this Monday 3rd February. - they are off to the Life Centre in Newcastle.

Mrs Sedgewick has already sent a **Weduc** message with all of the details and information for parents.

The bus will be **leaving at 8.30pm** so please make sure your child is here in good time.

If you've not already read and acknowledged the message (just click acknowledge) so that we know you are all aware and we aren't going to be leaving anyone behind!

Many thanks- I wish I was going it sounds fab! A lovely link to their topic- the children are engrossed!

