



St Mary's Catholic School  
Weekly Newsletter



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



4.7.25

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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! Toddler session the 13th May is cancelled due to SATs and our Year 5 pupils needing the hall.**

**Thankyou.**

**Friday 11th July- Y6 Sleepover**

**Thursday 10th July- proposed date for Y6 meal ( organised by parent) message and contacts shared earlier this week via Weduc.**

**Tuesday 8th July Y6 Performances**

**Friday 11th July- End of Year Reports sent out**

**Monday 14th July- Sports Day ( 1.30pm) further details to follow**

**Tuesday 14th July-16th July EYFS Bikeability Balance Bike sessions**

**Thursday 17th July- Owls class candle time 2.30pm**

**Thursday 17th July- Summer Term Disco 5.30pm- 7.30pm**

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

**Family Mass Dates and Times**

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

**Summer Term: Friday 18th July 2025- we would love as many of you to join us if you can as we will be saying Mass for our Year 6 leavers and all other school leavers St Mary's Church 10am.**

**Summer Term School Disco**

We will be having a summer term disco 5.30pm- 7.30pm on Thursday 17th July.

All children welcome and as precious as our EYFS children ((Nursery and Robins) will need an adult to stay with them if they would like to attend.

Face Painting,

Tattoos,

Games

Tuck shop and sausages in a bun ( went down well at the last one!)

Tickets will go on sale this week on MCAS . £3 per ticket and £5 for a family ticket.

Thankyou



**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!**

No birthday celebrations this week.



**Transition Afternoons**

As always we will be having our **6 week transition sessions** over the last 6 weeks of term for all children in school and our new starters in Robins class. The transition afternoons give the children an opportunity to bond with their new class, become familiar with their new teacher, class codes of conduct and familiar with their new environments.

The **last two sessions** we also invite our new nursery starters to join us. Letters has also been sent out to EYFS/Nursery.

The transition dates are as follows:

**Thursday 12th June** \* Mrs Box will take the current Year 4 children for their transition in Owls class as they are in Edinburgh.

**Thursday 19th June**

**Thursday 26th June**

**Thursday 3rd July**

**Thursday 10th July**

**Thursday 17th July \* EYFS Teddy Bear Picnic**



*All sessions will be from 1.30pm- 3pm  
Thankyou!*



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*PILGRIMS OF HOPE: Jubilee Year 2025*



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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-100% 'Way to go Robins!'

Larks-99%

Swifts-98%

Owls-94%

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!

Congratulations to our fabulous football team who won the tournament this week. The children were absolutely delighted to have won it and going unbeaten on the final day of the tournament- wow! Well done to the team, Swankie Sports and also thank you again to Miss Holywell and Neill for their commitment to the tournaments across the year.



Thank you again to Hays travel in Barnard Castle who visited this week to present us with a cheque for £335!! How fantastic! The money raised from their raffle, as part of their community projects to support travel and tourism in school.

Much appreciated- thank you to everybody who bought raffle tickets to support our school.



### 'Oh Sweet Child of Mine!'

What an absolutely FANTASTIC Graduation this year from our wonderful Little Wrens. They were so full of confidence and thoroughly enjoyed their time on stage in true Rock Star style!!

We all loved it- you sang beautifully and the inflatable guitars were played like professionals!!

Well done!



### St Mary's Space Explorers... WOW!

<https://www.life.org.uk/who-we-are/latest-news-and-blogs/stellar-space-explorers-dock-at-life-science-centre/>

