

#### St Mary's Catholic School Weekly Newsletter

Dates for diary (Please also see Weduc Calendar and Newsfeeds)







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

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! . Il very welcome- please come along and join us if you can. 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 mes-sages 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 all had a wonderful day! 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 ADDITOINL 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



#### **Pilgrims of Hope** More Than Dance!

The children across school had a fabulous day on Wednesday when they enjoyed sessions with More than Dance, linking to the theme 'He is our Anchor, He is our Hope.

Each class engaged in dance, mindfulness and music as for of expressive and creative prayer. It was wonderful- we hope to share the routines with parents after a little more practice!!

'The children were amazing, we had a wonderful day at your school.' Danielle, More Than Dance.

#### 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 Nathanial, Josh and April. I hope you

# **BHCET School Lunches**

Important information regarding school meals has been emailed to families via Weduc.



Any issues or questions please do not hesitate to get in touch with the office. Thankyou.

# Valentine Coffee Morning

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

Drop in anytime between 9.15am and 9.45ameverybody welcome!

Coffee/Cakes/Valentine Raffle

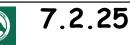
'Share the Love!'





### St Mary's Catholic School Weekly Newsletter 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  $\underline{8\ Virtues}$  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.

### <u>Candle Times we would like to share with Parents</u>

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

#### Weduc Messages



Please can I remind parents to consider staff work -life balance when sending messages on Weduc. Messages should not be sent to any member of staff after 5.30pm weekdays or over the weekend. Staff are not expected to reply.

Thank you in advance for your understanding. I have also attached our acceptable use policy ( available on our school website too)





'Minutes count, Attendance Matters!

Robins-98% Larks- 98% Swifts-98% Owls— 99%



School holidays during term time <u>will</u> <u>not</u> 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!

#### Safer Internet Day

On Tuesday 11th February it is Safer Internet Day. The children learn about keeping safe online as part of our PSHE curriculum and this week we also had a visit from PC Preet who was talking about both keeping safe in the community and online.

PC Preet highlighted the importance of parental responsibilities in ensuring settings are secure and safe and that your child is not playing games with people they have not met before online.

If any parents need support in ensuring the setting are safe for your child then please get in touch and we will support you with this.

We also received some free books sponsored by Councilor Rowlandson called 'Caught on the Web.' Our year 6 received a copy each and copies are also available for our children to read across school and in our library.

<u>Safer Internet Day 2025 - UK Saf-</u> <u>er Internet Centre</u>

Good Luck to our gymnastics team and football team who both have competitions and tournaments this week. Have Fun!

