



'We are journeying together through Advent'

Dates for diary (Please also see Weduc Calendar and News-feeds)

[School Holidays \(stmarysprimary.durham.sch.uk\)](http://stmarysprimary.durham.sch.uk)

- Monday 19th December- Christmas Carol Service- 3.45pm- approx. 40 mins Narrated by KS2 and all classes involved in Carol singing. St Mary's Church NO SWANKIE SPORTS CLUB TONIGHT!
- Tuesday 20th December- Christmas Coffee Morning 9am-11am Everybody welcome, we would love to see you there. Raffle prizes too.
- Tuesday 20th December- break up for Christmas
- Wednesday January 4th 2023- Return to school



Sharing our Advent journey at home and at school...



Next week our Virtue is: All Virtues

- ◆ Respect
- ◆ Responsibility
- ◆ Justice
- ◆ Compassion
- ◆ Self Belief
- ◆ Resilience
- ◆ Honesty
- ◆ Confidence



Happy birthday to Joey and Jemima who celebrate their birthday this week or next, and also to Robert, Olivia, Alice and Grant who will celebrate their birthday the first week back in the new year. Have a lovely day boys and girls!

Stars of the week—don't forget to look on our school website to see who are our Stars this week and photographs on the Around School Section, and Our Faith Journey section too.

We hope to see you, and lots of our friends from our local community at our **Christmas Coffee Morning on Tuesday 20th December 9-11am**. Drop in anytime. Tea, coffee, raffle and a chance to relax with friends in between the hustle and bustle of the festive season!





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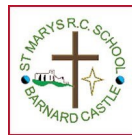
Our Trust Virtues

(Please see the additional A4 poster I have attached with further information about each Virtue)

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**



Have that conversation with your child... can they tell you the Virtue we have been exploring in school and more importantly, do they know what that looks like in action?

Thank you parents.

Attendance this week:

Robins: 98.4%

Larks: 98.5%

Swifts: 93.4%

Owls: 85.3%



Well done Larks!

Please see our attendance policy on the school website for further information about expectations and parental responsibilities.

Holidays in term time will not be authorised and fines may occur.

Don't forget to come along to our Carol Service on Monday 19th December 3.45pm at St Mary's Church. Children are taking part in the readings , dance, and setting the scene as the Christmas story unfolds. Please come along and join us if you can.

Remember, **NO SWANKIE SPORTS CLUB.** Any children attending the Carol Service should be collected as usual at 3.30pm and then make their way to church. We will see you there!

