



'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)



- Saturday 10th December- Christmas Fair 10-12 in school. All Welcome. Share our posts on Facebook too.
- Monday December 12th- Afternoon and Evening performances for our EYFS/KS1 Nativity, 1.30pm and 5.30pm
- Monday 12th December- EYFS/KS1 Nativity. 1.30pm and 5.30pm. Please make sure you inform the office of which performance you plan on attending to help us with our numbers, safety and of course safety. Each child is able to have 2 adults per performance.
- Wednesday 14th December- Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas lunch Day
- Tuesday 13th December- Christmas Party Day- children come to school dressed in party clothes.
- Wednesday 14th December- Christmas Jumper and Christmas Lunch Day. Lunches payable via Scopay.
- 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...



Next week our Virtue is: Confidence
Belief in oneself and one's powers or abilities;
Feeling self confident and assured

Happy birthday to Reece who celebrates his birthday next week. Have a great day Reece!

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.

Christmas Bazaar
SATURDAY 10TH
DECEMBER 10AM-12PM

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL
BIRCH ROAD

WIN A HAMPER
SEE SANTA
TOMBOLA
MYSTERY PRIZES
TREATS
CRAFTS & GIFTS
CHRISTMAS BINGO

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
PROMOTOR: FR T MASON, THE CATHOLIC CHURCH, BIRCH ROAD,
BARNARD CASTLE
REGISTERED UNDER THE GAMBLING ACT 2005
DHN ST MARY'S BARNARD CASTLE REGISTERED CHARITY 1143450



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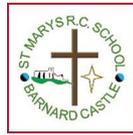
Our Trust Virtues

(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

Attendance this week:

Robins: 95.71%

Larks: 100% WOW!

Swifts: 95.63%

Owls: 94.29%



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 wear your PE kit to school—**only on the day you have PE!** Our school uniform policy includes the PE kit and children need to wear plain grey or black joggers, (red shorts in summer or if preferred) blue t- shirt, trainers. Again, trainers only on the day of PE.

Here is the link to the website for your convenience.

Please keep your lovely patterned or brightly coloured leggings or joggers for the weekend- not for our PE lessons. Thanks parents

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



Thank you to parents in Larks, Wrens and Robins class, as well as staff for making sure all of our children have their costumes for their nativity next week. The children can not wait for their performance and have worked incredibly hard with their lines and their singing. Thank you parents... we are looking forward to seeing you all there either at the afternoon performance or the evening performance. Don't forget to come along to our Carol Service too, 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!



Mrs Porter and some of the children in Owls class have been out and about in Barry today, delivering cards, invitations and Stars of Hope.

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!

Thank you

