



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

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NEWSLETTER

Week 4 Friday 26th September 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 1st October – EYFS Meet the Teacher Afternoon – 2.45pm
Wednesday 1st October – Black History Month begins
Thursday 2nd October – National Poetry Day – 'Playing with Poetry'
Friday 3rd October – CAFOD Family Fast Day
Friday 3rd October -Second Hand Book Sale after school – 3.15pm
Sunday 5th October – World Teachers' Day
Monday 6th October – Year 6 Class Mass – 10.00am at Church
Thursday 9th October – Open Morning – 9.30am
Thursday 9th October – RSE Consultation Workshop for parents – 2.30pm
Friday 10th October – World Mental Health Day
Sunday 12th October – Mass for Fr Daniel and Farewell Reception – 11.00am at Church
Monday 13th October – Feast of St Edward the Confessor
Tuesday 14th October – KS1 Reading Workshop for parents – 2.45pm
Friday 17th October – Harvest Liturgy and Foodbank Collection
Friday 17th October – School Disco in Parish Centre

Year 6 Trips to Sky Studios and St Leonard's Air Raid Shelter

Year 6 have had a busy few weeks - as part of our 'Year 6 Leaders of Tomorrow Programme', they visited Sky Studios last Friday, where they had a wonderful time writing, editing and filming their own movie trailers. The final product was fantastic and really demonstrated their creativity. We look forward to seeing these. Well done Year 6!
This Tuesday they visited St Leonard's Air Raid Shelter in Barnes as part of their current History study of World War II. The children had a fantastic time exploring and learning about what life was like during World War II. They asked lots of thoughtful questions and were brilliant at imagining themselves in the shoes of people from the past.

Year 5 Maths Rounding Rap

Year 5 have been working hard on rounding large numbers in Maths. They have been learning a 'Rounding Rap' which gives them the confidence to tackle larger numbers, up to 6 and 7 digits. I have seen them using this and agree with Miss Scannell that they are now developing a deeper understanding of the concept and thoroughly enjoying their Maths lessons. Well done Year 5, we are looking forward to hearing more rapping from you in our whole school Performance Poetry Assembly later this term.

Secondary School Transfer

The closing date for applications for Secondary Transfer for September 2026 – 31 October 2025. See www.hounslow.gov.uk/secondaryadmissions for more information. If you have a child in Year 5 it is essential that you attend Open Events at local secondary schools, which are all happening imminently. Mr O'Reilly will be speaking about secondary school transfer during the Meet the Teacher Afternoon Meeting for Year 6. If you are unsure about the process or have any questions, please arrange to speak with Mr O'Reilly.

Starting Reception September 2026 – closing date is 15 January 2026.

See www.hounslow.gov.uk/primaryadmissions for more information.

First Holy Communion – Year 3 children

The registration period for the First Holy Communion programme for 2025-26 is now open. If you have a child in Year 3 who wishes to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist, please complete an online registration form, which can be found on the Church website. If you have any questions, you can speak with Fr Michael, Fr Jakub or Mrs Savattieri, who will be leading the programme. The closing date for applications is Sunday 5th October.

Choir

Choir is starting for children from Year 3-6 from next Friday 3rd October, and will take place every Friday during lunchtimes. If you wish to join, please email office@stmarys.hounslow.sch.uk with your child's name and class. We look forward to learning new music in preparation for performances later in the term. Singing in a choir offers children numerous benefits, including improved emotional wellbeing and confidence, whilst choral singing enhances their memory and mathematical thinking.

Uniform

A plea to please ensure that all of your child's uniform and belongings are clearly marked with their full name. We have so much uniform in the basket in Reception which is unnamed. Please come and take a look if you are missing something. Our uniform sale last Friday was very successful. Thank you to all our parents who helped to organise this. We will be holding further pre-loved uniform sales at the end of the day later on this term. Dates to follow.

Celebrations



Happy Birthday to Eleazar (Y6), Chinyere (Y5), Marina (Y3)

Star of the Week

Abigail (YR), Nico (Y1), Elizabeth (Y2), Eva F (Y3), Roman (Y4), Maddie (Y5) and Leonardo (Y6)

Teacher's Award

Jack (YR), Teddy (Y1), Naira (Y2), Marina (Y3), Leonardo (Y4), Thiago (Y5) and Rosa (Y6)

Reader Award

Iain (YR), Winifred (Y1), Leavana (Y2), Holly (Y3), Larissa (Y4), Edward (Y5), Viktorija (Y6)

With Best Wishes for the Weekend,

Miss Keane NPQH
Headteacher