

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

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NEWSLETTER

Week 9 Friday 6th November 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 12th November – Open Morning – 9.30am
Thursday 12th November – Nasal Flu Immunisations
Friday 13th November – Children in Need MUFTI Day – bring £1 donation
Friday 13th November – PTA Coat Donations at morning drop-off
Week beginning Monday 16th November – Anti-Bullying Week – 'Break the Silence'
Monday 16th November – Odd Socks Day
Friday 20th November – PTA MUFTI Day
Wednesday 25th November – Year 6 Class Assembly – 9.05am. Coffee Morning for parents from 8.45am
Thursday 26th November – Open Morning
Saturday 28th November – PTA Christmas Fair – 12.00-4.00pm
Week beginning Monday 30th November – PGL Trip to Paris
Wednesday 2nd December – Advent Confessions in school for Years 4-6
Thursday 3rd December – Open Morning – 9.30am
Monday 7th December – Year 4 Class Mass – 10.00am at Church
Wednesday 9th December – YR-Y2 Nativity – 9.05am – KS1 parents to attend
Thursday 10th December – YR-Y2 Nativity – 9.05am – YR parents to attend
Tuesday 15th December – KS2 Carol Service – 5.00pm in Church
Thursday 17th December – Class Parties in the afternoon
Friday 18th December – Nursery Nativity Singalong – 11.00am in Nursery
Friday 18th December – End of Term – school closes at 1.15pm. No PM Nursery session

Year 2 Class Assembly

We had a delightful Class Assembly from our Year 2 children this week on the theme of Creation. We have all been studying Creation and Covenant in RE before the Half Term and Year 2 were eager to share with us what they learnt. They retold the Creation Story in detail, using quotes from Scripture and reminded us that we are Stewards of Creation with a responsibility to reduce, reuse and recycle. They even suggested some ways that we can do this in our everyday routines such as turning lights off, not wasting water, picking up litter. The Assembly ended with a beautiful hymn Our God Is A Great Big God. Well done Year 2 for sharing this very important message with us. A huge thank you also to Mr Lyons and Mrs Lasek for preparing them so well.

It was also the very first Class Assembly in our new School Hall. Thank you to all of our Year 2 parents who joined us for the occasion and to our Year 1 parents who organised the Coffee Morning before Assembly.

Year 6 Visit to Churchill War Rooms

Just before Half Term, Year 6 visited the Churchill War Rooms as part of their World War II topic. The children were fascinated to explore the underground headquarters where Winston Churchill and his team planned Britain's wartime strategy. They had the chance to step back in time and see the rooms exactly as they were left in 1945, including Churchill's bedroom and the Cabinet Room.

The visit really brought their learning to life and helped the children understand what life was like during the war. They particularly enjoyed the interactive exhibits and discovering more about Churchill's leadership and determination. It was a fantastic day filled with curiosity, reflection, and plenty of questions!

Curriculum Newsletters

These can be found on the class pages of our website. They provide extensive information about what is being taught in school, key dates for the term as well as suggestions for how you can support your child at home. Please also look on class pages for KIRFs (Key Instant Recall Facts) for Maths, these help to build number fluency, suggested reading lists for each year group and reading comprehension questions which you can use to support children in Years 3-6 when reading at home.

Fruit Break

Our school is a healthy school. Children from Nursery to Year 2 are provided with fruit or vegetables for their morning fruit break. From Year 3 onwards children are asked to provide their own fruit break. This must be fruit or vegetables only please, no crisps or sweets, including fruit winders. We are a nut free school. If you are unsure about what you can send in, please ask a member of staff, we will be happy to advise you on this.

PTA Events

Thank you to our wonderful PTA for hosting our very first Autumn Festival in our new school hall. It was a fantastic community afternoon for our families and it was lovely to see so many children and families there. We enjoyed Face Painting, Pumpkin Carving, Refreshments, Crafts Area, Bouncy Castle, a Raffle, and of course, the Barbecue! Lots of children (and some adults) made the effort to dress in Halloween costumes on the day, which really added to the atmosphere. Thank you to all our parents who helped out on or before the day to make it a success. Every penny raised goes towards improving the children's experience at school. We are currently raising money to refurbish our playgrounds.

The next PTA event is the Coat Donations. We are supporting local estate agents Chestertons with this initiative. All coats donated will be passed on to local charities to help families in need. We are asking for coats of all sizes, children and adults, in good condition. Please bring them along on the morning of Friday 13th November. We are sorry, we cannot accept donations after this point as they will be taken straight to the collection point after morning drop-off.

Save the date – Christmas Fair – Saturday 28th November 12.00-4.00pm.

Can you help? Speak to your Class Reps. If you can't attend on the day, can you get involved in some other way or make a donation? All help gladly accepted.

Celebrations



Happy Birthday to Joelie (YR), Adrian (Y1), Ayda (Y6), Yan (Y4), David (Y3) and Tommy (Y2)

Star of the Week

Oscar (YR), Lana (Y1), All of Y2 for their wonderful Assembly (Y2), Elizabeth (Y3), Raphael (Y4), Unum (Y5) and Jeremiah (Y6)

Teacher's Award

Sophia (YR), Cooper (Y1), Nico (Y2), Lily (Y3), Eva (Y4), Felipe (Y5) and Caoimhe (Y6)

Reader Award

Joziah (YR), Milan (Y1), Jeremy (Y2), Adelaide (Y3), Xander (Y4), Federico (Y5) and Maddie (Y6)

Sports Awards

Phoenix (KS1), Adelaide (LKS2), Ala (UKS2)

With Best Wishes for the Weekend,

Miss Keane NPQH
Headteacher