



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

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NEWSLETTER

Week 23 Friday 6th March 2026

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday 11th March – Year 3 Trip to Natural History Museum
Friday 13th March – Little Wandle Early Reading Audit in school
Wednesday 18th March – Year 5 Virtual Author Visit – Barbera Henderson
Thursday 19th March – Year 4 Multi-Skills – Osterley Sports Hall
Friday 20th March – School Disco – Parish Hall – 6.30-7.45pm – EYFS+KS1 8.00-9.15pm – KS2
Tuesday 24th March – Year 4 Passion Play - 9.15am
Wednesday 25th March – Feast of the Annunciation – Mass Y2-Y6 – 10.00am in Church
Thursday 26th March – Parents' Evening – 1.30pm onwards
Friday 27th March – End of Term – school closes at 1.15pm
Monday 13th April – Summer term begins – 8.45am

Year 2 Class Assembly

We were treated to a very timely Assembly this week from Year 2 on Catholic Social Teaching – Family, Community and Participation. They explained very clearly that we are all part of God's family and also our school and parish families. They helped us to understand that we all have individual talents and that we should share these with others around us. They told the story of the Good Samaritan very convincingly and sang This Little Light of Mine to convey their message. Finally, they gave us all a mission to help one another through small acts of kindness – so important during this season of Lent. Well done Year 2, you shared this message with confidence and conviction! A huge thank you to Mr Lyons, Mrs Laljee and Mrs Brindle for preparing them so well.

Nursery 2026

We are hoping to extend our Nursery offering from this September to full days. Our warm and welcoming Nursery provision develops and nurtures the whole child, preparing them for a seamless transition to school. Our dedicated staff are experienced in meeting children's individual needs, developing essential skills and giving them the confidence to grow and develop foundations for a lifelong love of learning. If you have a child of Nursery age – 3-4 years, or who will be turning 3 in the next academic year- or know someone else who has, please email the office or drop in to find out more about how to apply. Please contact the school office if you would like more information. Please submit Nursery applications for September 2026 to the office. Visits to the school are welcome. Please enquire through the Office.

Book Week

This week was Book Week in school, one of the highlights of our school year. This year is the National Year of Reading and we are promoting Reading for Pleasure throughout the year. Mrs Norris has organised a series of online and in-person Author Talks for our children so that we are talking about books together, discovering new authors and book series' and really developing a love of reading. Thank you to those of you who have brought in Reading Rivers to school, if you have not yet had the time to do so, please have a go. This helps us to build a picture of children's reading diet, preferred authors and reading habits. Our annual Book Character Dress Up Day today was a triumph! It was wonderful to see children and staff come to school dressed as their favourite book characters and to guess who everyone was. Thank you all for the huge efforts you made for this.

School Uniform

We take great pride in our uniform and smart appearance. Please ensure that your child is wearing a green coat to school and green hair accessories. Jewellery should not be worn in school, apart from small, discrete stud earrings for girls. Watches are permitted, but please note that smart watches or devices eg fitbits are not allowed in school. A full uniform list is available on our website under the parents' section. Thank you for your co-operation with this. Our lovely PTA will be organising further uniform sales to help parents with this before the Easter Holidays. If you have any good quality uniform which your child has outgrown, please send in to school.

PTA Quiz and Children's Cinema Evening

Thank you to everyone who helped with organising or who attended this event last Friday evening. It was a really joyful event full of community spirit, and so lovely to see so many families in attendance! Thank you to our wonderful PTA who work tirelessly for the school and are always full of enthusiasm and new ideas for fundraising. The Movie Night for the children was very well received, and a good time was had by all. Thank you to our lovely children for being so well behaved! Thank you to you all for your generosity in supporting our school. Some of the money that was collected on the evening will go towards resources for our Nurture Room, which will have an impact for all our children on their wellbeing. More information on our Nurture Room to follow, we are applying for funding to help us to develop this.

Celebrations



Happy Birthday to Sienna (Y5), Josephine (Y6), Zac (Y1), Edoardo (Y6)

Star of the Week

Peter (YR), Winnie (Y1), Naira (Y2), Jack (Y3), Ala (Y4), Eloise (Y5) and Sienna (Y6)

Teacher's Award

Bruno (YR), Nico (Y1), Stepan (Y2), Eva F (Y3), Federico (Y4), Lilly (Y5) and Wesley (Y6)

Reader Award

Alessandro (YR), Gabriella (Y1), Lucas (Y2), Bella (Y3), Unum (Y4), Quentin (Y5) and Nell (Y6)

With Best Wishes for the Weekend,

Miss Keane NPQH

Headteacher