



# St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

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## NEWSLETTER

**Week 21 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

### UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – return to school – 8.45am  
Week beginning Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Other Faiths Week – Hinduism  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February – Nursery Open Morning  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February – School Photos  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February – PTA Quiz and Cinema Night – 7.00pm – Parish Centre, Duke Avenue  
Week beginning Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Book Week  
Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Year 6 Trip to Polka Theatre – Macbeth Workshop  
Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March – Nursery Open Morning – 9.30am  
Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> March – Year 3 Trip to Natural History Museum  
Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March – Year 5 Virtual Author Visit – Barbera Henderson  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> March – Year 4 Multi-Skills – Osterley Sports Hall  
Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March – Year 4 Passion Play - 9.15am  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March – Feast of the Annunciation – Mass Y2-Y6 – 10.00am in Church  
Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Parents' Evening – 1.30pm onwards  
Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March – End of Term – school closes at 1.15pm

### **Year 3 Class Assembly**

We were treated to a very special Assembly last week by Year 3 on the theme of Reconciliation. Year 3 have been learning about Reconciliation in their RE lessons this term as part of their preparation for receiving the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist. They have been looking at the parables of the Lost Sheep and the We enjoyed hearing about the meaning of Reconciliation through their role-play, reflections and song. Well done Year 3, you reminded us of the importance of reconciliation in our lives. A special thank you to Mrs Norris and miss Bryant 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. There will be Nursery Open Mornings on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February and Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March at 9.30am, when we return from Half Term, so that you can find out more information.

### **Farewell Message from Mrs Bell**

27 years working at St Mary's- that's quite a number. I joined in 1999 as the Librarian when as a parent, I had daughters Madeleine in Y2, Georgia in Reception and Rosanna was pre-school. It was a good fit with family life.

I took on Netball Club and haven't put down my whistle and trainers since then. The announcement in 2006 of The London 2012 Olympics gave new impetus to Primary School Sport and I was the lucky one to do the coaching and the rest is history.

We have a bulging trophy cabinet, each one achieved by our pupils in a variety of sport - XC running, netball, football, tennis, dance, cricket, swimming, hockey, athletics, NFI Flag Football, Tag Rugby and school games.

We have always punched above our weight as a one form entry school.

We also have high expectation of practicing games values of self-belief, determination, honesty, teamwork, respect and passion.

I genuinely have loved it all, and I know that our pupils, past and present, have loved it too. We have hundreds of great shared memories as 'Team St Mary's'.

I feel blessed to have worked with our pupils, their families and our staff. I know that I leave you in good hands.

### **E-Safety**

This week we marked Safer Internet Day in the UK, a nationwide initiative supported by the UK Safer Internet Centre. The day encourages young people, families, and schools to reflect on how we use the online world and how we can make it a safer, kinder place for everyone. Across the country, schools are exploring topics such as:

- Keeping personal information private
- Recognising scams and misleading content
- Treating others with respect online
- Managing screen time and wellbeing
- Speaking to a trusted adult if something online feels uncomfortable.

We encourage families to continue these conversations at home and ask children about what they have learned today. Thank you for supporting our efforts to help our children become confident, responsible digital citizens.

### **PTA Quiz and Children's Cinema – Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February**

This will take place from 7.00pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February in the Parish Centre. Pyjama Film Night for the children. £20 per adult, includes meal and quiz entry. £5 per child, includes film, popcorn and a drink. Quiz starts at 7.30pm. We look forward to seeing you there. Thank you to our amazing PTA who have worked so hard to organise this.

### **House Dojos**

We have all been working hard this half term to gain more dojo points. At the moment St Edward's have 1642 points, St Joseph's have 1624 points, St Anne's have 1489 points. Keep up the hard work after Half Term, as we will announce the winning house for the Spring Term just before Easter.

### **Celebrations**



**Happy Birthday to** Gabriel T (YR), Peter (YR), Alejandro (Y5), Rosa (Y6), Eva (Y3), Holly (Y5)

**Star of the Week**

Elena (YR), Killian (Y1), Holly (Y2), Maria (Y3), Leonardo (Y4), Mila (Y5) Melanie (Y6)

**Teacher's Award**

Zoe (YR), Timur (Y1), Adelaide (Y2), Raphael (Y3), Marilu (Y4), Maddie (Y5) and Leonardo (Y6)

**Reader Award**

Maya (YR), Alin (Y1), Georg (Y2), Marina (Y3), Federico (Y4), Thiago (Y5) and Sofia (Y6)

**Wishing you all a wonderful Half Term,**

Miss Keane NPQH

Headteacher