



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

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NEWSLETTER

Week 7 Friday 17th October 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 20th October – Y6 Trip to Churchill War Rooms
Tuesday 21st October – School Calendar photos in school - am
Wednesday 22nd October – Performance Poetry Assembly
Thursday 23rd October – Open Morning – 9.30am
Friday 24th October – Half Term – school finishes at 3.15pm
Monday 3rd November – Term begins – 8.45am
Monday 3rd November – Y5 Class Mass – 10.00am at Church
Tuesday 4th November – School Bulb Planting Day
Wednesday 5th November – EYFS Reading Workshop for parents – 2.45pm
Friday 7th November – Remembrance Liturgy in school
Week beginning Monday 10th November – Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 11th November – Y5 and Y6 Walking Nativity – Lambeth Palace
Thursday 13th November – Open Morning – 9.30am
Friday 14th November – Children in Need Mufti Day - £2 donation

School App

Our school app is now available, and is linked to our website. Many thanks to those parents who have already downloaded the app and signed up to it. If you haven't already done so, please sign up soon, as all school communication will come via the app, with parentmail communications soon coming to an end. Letters, forms and calendar dates are available on the app. Our aim is to make communications more streamlined, coming from the one place, making it easier for parents to keep in touch with what's happening every day in our busy, vibrant school.

Parent Governor Elections

Parent Governor elections will take place after Half Term. As you know, we have two spaces available. We are very fortunate to have such a wonderfully supportive school community, 5 parents have put their names forward for the role – Mrs DePuy (Y3 and Y5 parent), Mr Fairbrother (Y3 parent), Mr Glander (YR and Y3 parent), Mrs Lee (Y1 parent and last year Y6 parent), Mrs Savattieri (Y2 and Y4 parent). I am extremely grateful to you all. Please make time to vote, you can vote for one person. Voting forms will go out after Half Term. We will let you know when these are being sent out. Our governors do an incredible job, giving generously of their time and talents to support and challenge the school in our work

and ensure that our children are receiving the very best education and life opportunities that they can.

Secondary School Transfer – Closing date soon

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. 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.

If you have a younger child who is Nursery or Reception age, or have friends with children of that age, please join one of our school Open Mornings.

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

Sports News

This week some of our Year 6 pupils went to Rocks Lane to be taught how to play the game of Padel. We were lucky enough to meet Sam MacNeil- Scottish No 1 and GB No 5 player. Oliver says that his knowledge of tennis was really helpful. He reached 21 hits in a rally. and really enjoyed the trip. Rosa liked that she could hit the ball hard and aim as far away as possible. Lilly added that she learned the basics of how to play Padel, and feels more confident. Learning the basics is the foundation of how to play. The session lasted for an hour and the coaches were supportive, even if we missed a shot. We did skills learning as well as rallies. We were all given a Rock Lane Padel T-shirt to keep.

Also, huge congratulations go to Sienna, Year 5 who came 4th out of 150 runners in the Borough Cross Country Race this week, an outstanding achievement! She has been chosen to represent Hounslow Borough in the London Schools Cross Country Race next month. We are extremely proud of you!

Save the date!

Our annual Christmas Fair, one of the highlights of our school year will be held on Saturday 6th December from 12.00-4.00pm. This year, due to the building work it will be held next door at Hogarth Youth Centre. A special thank you to the staff at Hogarth Youth Centre for enabling us to hold it there. Do come along and support, our wonderful PTA and Class Reps are working incredibly hard to plan an amazing event for us all. More details to follow...

Christmas Cards

Teachers will distribute the card and instructions today. Please can they be returned on **Wednesday, 22 October**. Thank you

Year 6 Legacy Fund

A huge message of thanks to our Year 6 families from last year who raised a tremendous amount of money for the Legacy Fund. This money makes a huge difference to the cost of residential school trips here at St Mary's.

Celebrations



Happy Birthday to Gabriella (Y1), Jude (Y3), Leonardo (Y6), Eva (Y2), Santi (Y3)

Star of the Week

Gabriel T (YR), Sophie (Y1), Stepan (Y2), Ebuka (Y3), Elijah (Y4), Lilly (Y5) and Xavier (Y6)

Teacher's Award

Ezra (YR), Caellum (Y1), Ariela (Y2), Santi (Y3), Ellie (Y4), Mila (Y5) and Hugo (Y6)

Reader Award

Zoe (YR), River (Y1), Benjamin (Y2), Orla (Y3), Alex (Y4), Alejandro (Y5), Lilly (Y6)

With Best Wishes for the Weekend,

Miss Keane NPQH

Headteacher