



St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

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NEWSLETTER

Week 3 Friday 19th September 2025

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 22nd September – Reception children in full days – 8.45am – 3.15pm
Monday 22nd September – Year 6 Height and Weight Checks
Monday 22nd September – Friday 3rd October – Fairtrade Fortnight
Tuesday 23rd September – Nasal Flu Immunisations – YR-Y6
Tuesday 23rd September – Year 6 Trip to St Leonard's Air Raid Shelter
Thursday 25th September – Open Morning – 9.30am
Wednesday 1st October – EYFS Meet the Teacher Afternoon – 2.45pm
Thursday 2nd October – National Poetry Day – 'Playing with Poetry'
Friday 3rd October – CAFOD Family Fast Day
Sunday 5th October – World Teachers' Day
Monday 6th October – Year 6 Class Mass – 10.00am at Church
Thursday 9th October – Open Morning – 9.30am
Friday 10th October – World Mental Health Day
Sunday 12th October – Mass for Fr Daniel and Farewell Reception – 11.00am at Church

Meet The Teacher Afternoons

These took place this week for KS1 and KS2. Thank you to everyone who came along. Year Group presentations will be uploaded onto class pages on the website, you will also find our Autumn Term newsletters and KIRFs (Key Instant Recall Facts) for Autumn I from next week. Please ensure that you are reading at home with your child every day. The recommendation is that every child reads for 20 minutes a day. Please read with your child every day and write a comment in their Reading Diary. We have included guides for every bookband, so that you know which reading skills your child should be working on and how you can best support them with their reading development.

We also held an online safety talk for parents from Year 3-6 and a conversation about children's use of devices at home. Mr O'Reilly shared an extremely useful powerpoint which has so much practical information, and links to websites that you can use in order to keep your child safe online. Please take the time to look through this. It can be found on our website in the parents' section on the e-safety page along with other useful information. We will be returning to this later in the term.

The EYFS Meet the Teacher Afternoon (for parents with children in Nursery and Reception) will be held on Wednesday 1st October at 2.45pm in the Nursery. I look forward to meeting with EYFS parents there.

National Inclusion Week

We have been marking this in school this week, although we have spoken about how it is not just for this week, but every week. We held a special assembly where we explored what inclusion really means, and what it looks like in our school. We celebrated our differences and learnt about the importance of tolerance.

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 look out for 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.

International Fair

Our 2nd annual International Fair will be held this Sunday in the Parish Centre from 12.00-3.00pm. This is a beautiful event, which really celebrates the rich diversity of our school community. Families from many cultures prepare their national dishes with love and pride, and you can sample these delicious offerings for a small price. It is also a wonderful opportunity for our community to come together and get to know each other better over a plate of delicious food. My apologies, I won't be able to join you this year as I will be celebrating a family birthday. Thank you to all our families who are contributing to this event.

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 first uniform sale of the year takes place this afternoon. We will also be holding further pre-loved uniform sales at the end of the day later on this term. Dates to follow.

Celebrations



Happy Birthday to Ciara (YR), Cooper (YR), Jemima (YR), Nola (YR), Sofia (Y5)

Star of the Week

Olivia (Y1), Alice (Y2), Azariah (Y3), Sadie (Y4), Archie (Y5) and Nell (Y6)

Teacher's Award

Jolie (Y1), Chetachi (Y2), Leia (Y3), Eleighna (Y4), Sienna (Y5) and Zarino (Y6)

Reader Award

Sofia (Y1), Lorin (Y2), Timur (Y3), Marilu (Y4), Grayson (Y5), Edoardo (Y6)

With Best Wishes for the Weekend,

Miss Keane NPQH

Headteacher