



St Mary's Roman Catholic Primary School

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Our Mission Statement

As God's family we are STARS within a loving and thriving community, celebrating our diversity. We ignite lifelong learning where everyone becomes a positive influence on our world.

Our Gospel Values

Every person is a valued member of our community, invited to follow Christ's call to a life of **love**, **hope** and **forgiveness**. We **respect** and support each other to live in **peace**. We embrace challenges and develop the **courage** to create a better world for us all.

The Mass dates for this term are:

KS2 Mass - Tuesday 30th January 9am

Ash Wednesday Mass - Wednesday 14th February 9am - whole school

KS1 Liturgy - Wednesday 6th March

Mass during Lent - 14th March - whole School

On the 29th February we have booked Ignite Team to do a day in school on Reconciliation.

The Good Samaritan

Last week, several children from St Mary's took part in the Ecumenical Service for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.

They acted out the Gospel Parable of the Good Samaritan during the United Service at the Methodist Church. Mrs Hunt, one of our governors, reported that she was very proud of them all. They told the story with confidence and understanding and the congregation appreciated and enjoyed their participation in the service.

Well done to, Ashton Year3 -Jesus, Tyler Year 3 -The robber, David Year 3 - the victim, Lexus Year 6 -The Samaritan, Ela Year 5 -both the Priest and the Levite and Alice from the Liturgy group -the Innkeeper.





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Our Special Thanks

We are looking forward to welcoming Mrs Parker back from maternity leave on the 7th February. I am sure that you will all join me in thanking Mrs Goddard for all her hard work over the past 9 months. The good news is that she will not be going away for good as she will continue to work closely with St Mary's as she always has. Thank you Mrs Goddard.

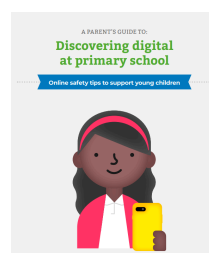


SEND Parents Evening

This takes place on Monday 5th February. Can we remind all parents whose children are on our SEND register to book an appointment through School Cloud.

Online safety tips for supporting young children

Attached with the newsletter is a leaflet that will support you in keeping your child safe online. We are dealing with more and more issues related to online safety and hope this will provide helpful tips to support you at home.





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Rowing Challenge

Waterlane leisure centre has kindly donated two rowing machines for our 'Rowathon' fundraiser. The event will take place from this Monday 29th January and will run for the week. The aim for Mr Cross and Miss Crowe is to row across the Atlantic, with the help of staff, parents, the children and volunteers from Waterlane.

As this is an event to raise money for CAFOD we welcome the children to bring in a donation on the day they are rowing, any donation big or small will be greatly appreciated.

- Monday - Year 5
- Tuesday - Year 6
- Wednesday - Year 4
- Thursday - Year 3
- Friday - Year 1 and Year 2

The Big Lent Walk

On Wednesday March 13th the children will all come to school in their PE Kit and they will take part in the CAFOD fundraiser, to walk 200km. You can donate to the fundraising page through the link below.

<https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/st-marys-rc-big-lent-walk-fundraiser>





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Valentines Bake Off

Year 4 will be holding a Valentines Bake Off on Wednesday 14th February. Year 4 invites the children from all year groups to take part. Entries to the school office the morning of Wednesday 14th February to be judged, winning cakes will receive a prize. After the judging there will be a bake sale at the end of the day in the hall to sell all the delicious baked goods.

Non Uniform Day

We will be holding a non uniform day in exchange for donations of gift items.

These donations will then be used for our Mother's Day Sale on Wednesday 6th March.

Children will be able to bring £2 into school to purchase and wrap a gift for their female adult for mother's day.

Easter Fair and Egg Hunt

Miss Crowe and Mr Cross are thinking ahead to the end of term and new ways to raise money for CAFOD. They would like to hold an Easter egg hunt on the last afternoon. Each class will have a timeslot in the afternoon to solve clues and find eggs hidden around the site.

After school we will hold an Easter Fair in the hall where the children will sell goods that they have made in class and run games.



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CALENDAR DATES for 2023 - 2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

The following dates and events are subject to change if necessary. Please refer to the most up to date newsletters for termly dates.

January 2023		
29th - 2nd	Rowathon	More information on this in the Newsletter
February 2023		
7th	Internet Safety Week	Activities in school
14th	Start of Lent	
14th	Y4's Valentines Bake Off	Entries to the school office the morning of Wednesday 14th February to be judged, winning cakes will receive a prize.
16th	Non Uniform Day	Donations of Mother's Day gift items
Monday 19th	FEBRUARY HALF TERM	Pupils return 26th February

March 2023		
6th	Mother's Day Sale	Children can bring in £2 to purchase and wrap a gift for Mother's Day
7th	World Book Day	Dress up as your favourite storybook character. Class book activities



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13th March	CAFOD - The Big Lent Walk	All children wear their PE Kit to school
15th	Red Nose Day	Non-uniform
18th	Class Photos and Year 6 Photos	
20th - 21st	Parents Evening	Face to Face appointments
26th March	Easter Fayre	Easter Egg Hunt and Easter Fayre. More info to follow
Wednesday 27th March	EASTER HOLIDAYS	Pupils finish at 1:30pm. Return to school on Monday 15th April.
April 2023		
W/C 15th April to Friday 19th April	Gunk a teacher	Children can buy a star to add to the teacher's chart. The teacher with the most stars at the end of the week gets gunk'd.
25th	Bohemian Rhapsody Choir Workshops	

May 2023		
Monday 6th May	BANK HOLIDAY	
6th -10th	Deaf Awareness Week	Children will learn sign language in class
13th - 17th	KS2 SATS	
Monday 27th	MAY HALF TERM	Pupils return 3rd June
June 2023		
TBC	Assessment Week	



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19th	Sports Day - Whole School 9:15am - 11:15am Family Fun Afternoon 1pm - 3pm	Whole school Sports Day AM Fun afternoon - PM
20th	Alternate Sports Day	
26th	New Reception class 2024 parents meeting	



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