



ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



February Newsletter

GROWING TOGETHER IN THE FRIENDSHIP OF FAITH

Thank you and well done!



Huge thanks to all parents and children for their efforts to improve our attendance - slowly we are starting to creep up towards our target and hopefully, with this continued effort from everyone, we can end the year above national averages.

We have recently introduced a new reward for attendance - each time a child has 100% attendance in a week, they get a raffle ticket to put in their class jar and, at the end of the half term, one lucky winner will be pulled out and receive a treat. The more weeks with 100%, the more chances they have to win!

Dates for your diaries...



CELEBRATION OF THE WORD AND SCHOOL MASSES

Thur 29 February - Lent Mass in the school hall at 2:30pm

Thur 14 March - Class 1 Celebration of the Word at 9am

Thur 21 March - Stations of the Cross (led by KS2 children) at 9am

Mon 25 March - Holy Week Prayer Stations at 2:30pm

OTHER EVENTS

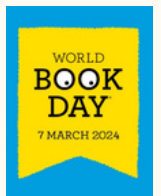
Fri 23 February: coffee morning at 9am in the hall

Thur 7 March: World Book Day - book swap and reading café in school hall from 9am

Children can dress up as a book character, wear their pj's for cosy reading afternoon or wear non-uniform.

The most important part of the day is not the outfit but the LOVE of READING!

Wed 27 March: Easter Walk/hunt and egg decorating competition



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Awards

READING BOOKMARKS

Well done to:

Joshua P
Jessica G
Mason H
Georgie W
Sampson O
Macey J
Rebecca M
Noah R

for completing book mark 1

Ava D
Hanna F
Corie E
Karter E
Ella P
Alfie D
Millie W

and to...

Mason H
and
Macey J

for completing book mark 2



HEADTEACHER WEEKLY AWARDS THIS HALF TERM

Congratulations and well done to...

12th January – **Olivia T, Summer, Parker, Bobbie** and **Elliot**

19th January – **Tyler, Millie, Olivia G, Leo** and **Cassius**

26th January – **Jeanie, Fay, Hollie, Fraser** and **Kai**

2nd February – **Bryleigh, Corie, Cole, Scarlett G** and **Georgie**

9th February – **Jacob, Isla, Danny, Leyton** and **Mason H**

GOLDEN WELLY AWARD

Well done to **Rebecca M, Layla, Aiyra, Alfie D** and **Noah D** for their amazing attitude, behaviour and imagination during play times.

Thank you and well done to our amazing 'sports leaders' from Year 6 who work so hard to keep everyone engaged and active during playtime – they help to make our school a fabulous place!

Well!
done!



Some recent happenings at St Mary's...

NSPCC NUMBER DAY

The children had great fun last week, taking part in NSPCC Number Day. Across the school we had TTRS competitions, number puzzles and all sorts of number related activities. Well done to the children for trying so hard with timestables. Thank you for your kind donations to our appeal for the NSPCC.



This week KS2 children have been taking part in Bikeability sessions to help them develop their cycling skills and confidence for riding on the roads. The children engaged really well with the sessions and were a real credit to our school. Even the weather couldn't spoil their enjoyment!

BIKEABILITY

PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Thank you to Classes 2 - 6 who have led weekly Thursday Celebration of the Word for the whole school and parents this half term. Each celebration was an uplifting and reflective way to start the day. Thank you to everyone who was able to join us and for the lovely comments left in our special liturgy book.



WEAR WHAT YOU LOVE DAY



Today we celebrated Valentine's Day (in advance!) by wearing what we love and showing appreciation for each other and what makes us special. Huge thanks to Ms Chamberlain for doing Valentine's crafts with the children and Ms Tully for making Valentine themed cupcakes for break time.

At the heart of our school community is the love that God has for us and the mission to share that love with others. We hope that every member of our school community feels loved and special next week and enjoys a wonderful week with loved ones.

Thank you to our lunchtime supervisors for their help with extra reading with our younger pupils.