



# St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

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Friday, 16th May, 2025

In Sunday's Gospel, we listen to the words of Jesus at the Last Supper. Jesus gives his friends, the disciples, a new commandment – they must love one another as Jesus loves them.

*Dear Lord Jesus,*

*Thank you for being our loving friend. Please help us always to love you and to keep growing in love for one another.*

*Amen.*



The Sunday liturgy is available weekly on the Wednesday Word by following the link on the school website <https://www.stmaryscps.co.uk/wednesday-word/>

## In school this week...

### Year 6 assessments

The Year 6 children have completed their SATs this week. We are so very proud of every one of them. They each deserve credit for their resilience and for the attitude that they have shown throughout the week. Year 6, you should be proud of yourselves, well done! Thanks also to Year 5 who have worked hard and shown great support and encouragement for their classmates.

### Wigan Warriors Well Being Walk

This week has been Mental Health Awareness Week. Josh, our Wigan Warriors rugby coach, organised a well-being walk for children and parents in order to raise awareness of this important week. Many thanks to all the parents who came to support the event, and to Josh for organising this wonderful opportunity for our school community.



### West Lancs School Cross Country Competition

On Thursday evening, Miss Wade, Mrs Priestner & Mr Doyle were extremely proud to take a group of our Key Stage 2 children to the West Lancs School Cross Country Competition. A wonderful evening was had by all! The Year 3/ 4 boys and girls teams both achieved a fantastic third place and were presented with their bronze medals. Thank you so much to the children, parents and staff who supported the event. You were great ambassadors for our school!



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## EYFS

Our EYFS class have continued to explore the coming of the Holy Spirit. We discussed how the Holy Spirit felt like a strong wind when it arrived. The children made wind ribbons and went outside to explore the effects of the wind and how the disciples might have felt when the Holy Spirit arrived. We also blew bubbles to see how they blow in the wind.



Whilst enjoying the lovely weather, our EYFS children have also been talking about how to keep safe in the sun. We enjoyed an ice pop together to cool down!

## Year 1/2

Year 1 and 2 have continued to work on their final art piece. We have been exploring texture and this week we looked at Picasso and how he uses texture and collage to create striking pictures. The children have painted their backgrounds this week, ready to add their collage to complete their final pieces.



In RE we have been continuing to explore the gift of the Holy Spirit and the children created some headbands to illustrate the events of Pentecost.

On Wednesday afternoon the Year 1 and 2 children took part in our Wellbeing Walk. Each station had a different way in which we could promote our own well-being. The children enjoyed the walk and activities with our families and friends.





## Year 3/4

This week we have been doing some multiplication and division by 10 and 100. We have found this easier to do using our place value lines.



On Tuesday afternoon we continued our work on Monet by painting some waterlily pictures using sponges and brushes.

We are doing a short topic in ICT looking at the main parts of a computer and their function. We started this by completing an online quiz matching the parts to their functions. It was lots of fun and lots of learning too.



## Year 5/6

A big well done to the Year 6 children who completed their SATs this week. We are so very proud of each and every one of you. You all worked really hard and you were all very focused. Well done! Once again, thanks Year 5 for all the support and encouragement that you gave your classmates.

This week within RE, the children focused on the fruits of the Holy Spirit. We had an excellent discussion in class linked to this.

Within PSHE, the children have been looking at the importance of a healthy diet. This week, Year 5 designed an excellent nutritious menu. The children presented their menu to the class, explaining the food groups within it.

On Wednesday, the children enjoyed a well-being walk. Whilst completing the walk, the children stopped at various stations which raised awareness of how to support good mental health.

Well done to the Year 5 and 6 children who represented St Mary's at the cross country event on Thursday. You were great ambassadors for the school!





## Celebration Assembly

	Special Award - For excellent behaviour for learning	Good Work Award
Nursery	Heidi M-J	Evelyn D
Reception	Reuben W-D	Taylor M
Year 1	Thomas G	Mabel H
Year 2	Theo P	Hallie Mae H
Year 3	Maisy S	Kacper L
Year 4	Poppy W	Ella R
Year 5	Erin C	Harry R
Year 6	Nate L	All Year 6
Headteacher's award	Jed M	Xander L
Mathematician of the week	Ella R	
Runner of the week	Bailey H	
Attendance Award	Year 5/ 6—99.55%	



## Attendance



### Attendance for the week ending 16.05.25

	No. of pupils	Attendance (%)	Rank
Reception	16	96.67%	2
Year 1/ 2	20	88%	4
Year 3/ 4	19	90%	3
Year 5/ 6	22	99.55%	1



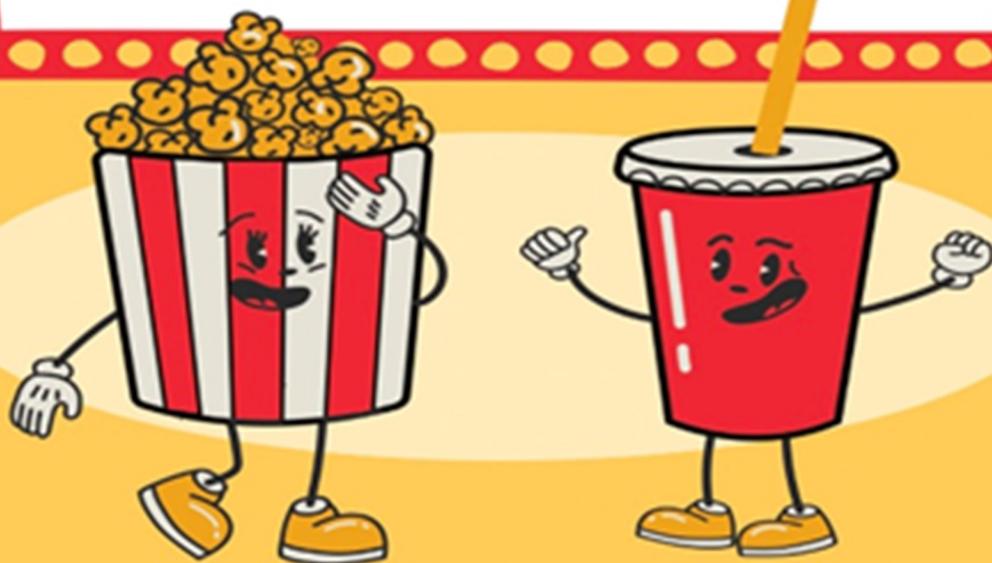
## Dates for your diary

Thursday, 22nd May	School photograph day & 'Movie Night'
Friday, 23rd May	Own Clothes Day (for teddy donations)
Friday, 23rd May	Break up for the half term holiday (3.20pm)
Monday, 9th June	Return to school for Summer Term 2 (8.55am)
W/ B 9th June	Y1 Phonics Screening Check & Y4 Multiplication Tables Check

*Have a wonderful weekend! From Mrs Preston & the staff of St Mary's*

ST MARYS PTFA BRINGS ANOTHER

# MOVIE CLUB



**THURSDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> MAY | 3.20-5.30PM**

**£6 PER CHILD | INC HOTDOG, POPCORN & DRINK  
FEEL FREE TO BRING A SMALL CUSHION/BLANKET**

\*\*\*\*\* School is now cashless so please send money in clearly labelled sealed envelope\*\*\*\*\*

Name of Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Child/Children \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

Amount paid £ \_\_\_\_\_

I give my child permission to watch Infants - Minions, Juniors - Moana 2

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*\* Should children in Nursery/Pre-School wish to join the permission slip  
MUST be returned before End of Monday 19<sup>th</sup> May in order to arrange  
required staffing ratios\*\*\*\*\*

# AUCTION PRIZES

CAN YOU HELP US?

# NEEDED FOR OUR SUMMER FAIR

WHEN

**28TH  
JUNE  
2025**

11-2.30PM

ST MARYS CATHOLIC PRIMARY  
SCHOOL  
HALL ROAD  
L40 9QE

WHAT YOU CAN  
HELP US WITH

CAN YOU SPONSOR A STALL FOR £50?

DONATE A SERVICE VOUCHER -BAKING,  
GARDENING, MOT, HAIR OR BEAUTY

TICKETS TO EVENTS, RESTAURANTS  
SHOWS OR ATTRACTIONS

UNIQUE HANDMADE CRAFTS OR  
ARTISAN MAKES

CONTACT US FOR MORE:

PTFA.STMARYS.SCARISBRICK@GMAIL.COM  
OR VIA INSTAGRAM

**YOUR GENEROSITY = HUGE SMILES + VITAL  
FUNDS FOR A GREAT CAUSE.**



# MAY MADNESS ON THE ROAD

**27TH-30TH MAY**

**(27TH) HEYSHAM - (28TH) BLACKPOOL  
(29TH) EGREMONT - (30TH) ORMSKIRK**

**ADD A  
HALF-SEASON  
JUNIOR  
MEMBERSHIP  
FOR £10**

**BOOK NOW  
WWRL.NET/MAYOTR**



Looking to boost your child's swimming skills over the May Half Term?

Join our 4-day **INTENSIVE COURSE** to build water confidence and improve swimming techniques.

## WHY US?

- ✓ 1-to-1 and small group sessions available
- ✓ Led by qualified and experienced swimming teachers who deliver on the West Lancashire School Swimming programme
- ✓ Fun & engaging learning experience
- ✓ Designed to get your child swim ready for summer

Sessions led by Danni from the West Lancashire School Swimming team



**REGISTRATION  
DEADLINE  
FRI 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2025**

[Click the link in the description for more information and to register your interest](#)



Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 30<sup>th</sup> May



Tarleton Academy Pool, PR4 6AQ



[swimacademy@wlsp.co.uk](mailto:swimacademy@wlsp.co.uk)



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TARLETON  
ACADEMY



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PRIMARY SCHOOL

ONLY  
**£22.50**  
per day



ENDEAVOUR  
COMMUNITY



**ACTIVITY  
CAMP**

**MAY HALF TERM**

**TUE 27TH - FRI 30TH**

Arts & Crafts, Athletics,  
Basketball, Dance,  
Dodgeball, Football,  
Invasion and  
Target Games, Swimming  
and much more!



with  
WEST LANCASHIRE  
SPORT PARTNERSHIP



Open to  
5 - 12  
year olds

8.30AM  
until  
4.30PM

To book your child's place please visit  
<https://ec.schoolactivity.co.uk>  
and if you have any queries  
please email  
[holidaycamps@endeavourlearning.org](mailto:holidaycamps@endeavourlearning.org)





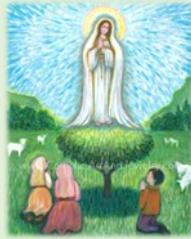
## St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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### Religious Education Summer Term Newsletter 2025

#### Important dates this term

The month of May is dedicated to Our Lady



#### THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

9th May

After his Resurrection, Jesus appeared to his disciples over a period of forty days. Ascension Day is when we celebrate Jesus' return to his Father in Heaven.

#### PENTECOST SUNDAY

8th June

This is the day we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Church.

#### FATHER'S DAY

15th June

#### THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

15th June

Today we celebrate our belief in the Trinity, the three persons of God: The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

#### THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

19th June

On this feast we give thanks to God for the gift of Jesus in the form of bread and wine.

#### THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

27th June

On this day we remember how much Jesus loves us all.

#### SAINTS PETER AND PAUL, APOSTLES

29th June

We celebrate the lives of these important saints who helped establish the Christian Church

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**  
**SUMMER TERM 2025**  
**TO KNOW YOU MORE CLEARLY/ COME & SEE AT HOME**

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

Our EYFS, Y1/ 2 and Y3/ 4 classes will be studying the new Religious Education Directory curriculum that covers the themes of 'To the Ends of the Earth' and 'Dialogue & Encounter'.

The children in Year 5/ 6 will be studying the three 'Come and See' themes: Transformation, Freedom & Responsibility, and Stewardship

**'TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH' & TRANSFORMATION**  
*(22<sup>ND</sup> April – 23<sup>RD</sup> May)*

Early Years 'TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH' – Jesus went back to his Father. He sent a special friend, the Holy Spirit, to look after us.

Year 1/ 2 'TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH' - The Church celebrates the Ascension and Pentecost on special days of celebration.

Year 3/ 4 'TO THE ENDS OF THE EARTH' - The disciples recognised Jesus when he breaks the bread. At Mass, what we eat looks like bread, but it is Jesus who comes, the living God. The bread is the Body of Christ.

Year 5/ 6 TRANSFORMATION – Celebration of the Spirit's transforming power.

**SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES**

Talk about good news in your family and how you shared it.

Ask your child to tell you the story of Pentecost and the work of the Holy Spirit.

**FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITY**

*(9<sup>TH</sup> June – 4<sup>TH</sup> July)*

Year 5/ 6 FREEDOM & RESPONSIBILITY - Commandments enable Christians to be free and responsible

**SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES**

Talk together about times when you have forgiven and been forgiven.

Discuss the importance of saying sorry. Look for opportunities for forgiveness and reconciliation in the day to day life of the family.

**'DIALOGUE & ENCOUNTER' & STEWARDSHIP**  
*(9<sup>TH</sup> June – 23<sup>RD</sup> July)*

Early Years 'DIALOGUE & ENCOUNTER' – Explore a range of pictures of Jesus from a non-European tradition.

Year 1/ 2 'DIALOGUE & ENCOUNTER' - Aspects of modern Jewish life in Britain, including specific vocabulary about the Jewish belief in one God and the Torah as a special text which contains stories of the Jewish people's history and is a guide for Jewish life

Year 3/ 4 'DIALOGUE & ENCOUNTER' - For Christians, the Eucharist is linked with the Jewish celebration of Passover

Year 5/ 6 STEWARDSHIP – The Church is called to be stewards of Creation

**SUGGESTIONS FOR HOME ACTIVITIES**

Together, look through a family scrapbook or photograph album of a visit to a place that is special for your family.

Look at a globe or an atlas. Find a special place and pray for the people of that country.

Discuss how we can look after our world and support our neighbours, near and far.

# School Parking

## Have you considered:

- Walking or cycling to school instead? This is a great way to contribute to a child's 60 minutes of activity a day and is easy to incorporate into your daily routine. Try it once a week at first and see how easy it can be.
- Parking nearby or getting off the bus two stops earlier and walking the rest of the way. If you live too far away to walk or need your car for your commute to work you can still walk part of the way. Adults in England should aim to take part in at least 150 minutes of moderate intensity physical activity each week.
- Car sharing is a great way to reduce congestion and save you pennies. Team up with other parents or carers who live nearby- share the cost and halve the hassle.

If you have a parking concern outside of your school report it to [parking@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:parking@lancashire.gov.uk)

For more information on this leaflet please email the Road Safety Team at [roadsafetyschool@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:roadsafetyschool@lancashire.gov.uk)



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[lancashire.gov.uk](https://lancashire.gov.uk)



## A Guide to Parking Safely at Our Schools

Inconsiderate and dangerous parking around our schools has become a big problem, putting the safety of children and others at risk. We all want to keep our children safe around schools, so here are some top tips on how you can make a difference.

### How can you help?

- ✓ Keep your speed down
- ✓ Turn your engine off - do not idle
- ✓ Leave the middle of the road free, with enough room for other road users to easily pass through
- ✓ Make sure your child leaves and enters your vehicle safely onto the pavement
- ✓ Check for pedestrians and cyclists before opening a car door
- ✓ Leave enough room on pavements for pedestrians, pushchairs & wheelchairs to get past
- ✓ Take care when reversing
- ✓ DO NOT PARK ON ZIG ZAG LINES

Please keep restricted areas clear

- ✓ Zig zags and school entrances
- ✓ Dropped kerbs
- ✓ Resident's driveways
- ✓ Opposite or within 10 metres of a junction- so that children can see cars and cars can see children.

### Your questions answered

What would happen if I did park in a restricted area?

If you park in a restricted area you are putting children's lives in danger and for this reason school parking is regularly monitored and enforced. If you park in a restricted area you could receive a £70 fine.

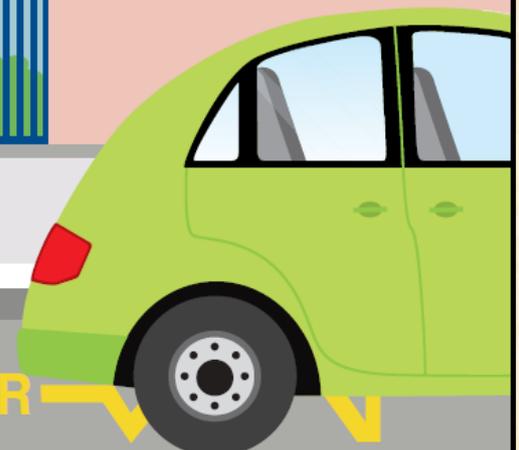
Am I okay to stop on zig zag markings if I am only there a few minutes?

No, under no circumstances should you stop on zig zag markings at any time, these are there to protect school entrances and leave a clear view of the street for pedestrians.

**Please park considerably around our schools and keep our children safe!**

Don't forget...

Congestion around schools is one of the main reasons given for dangerous parking and there are other ways you could do the school run...



**Never park on zig zags or block school entrances**



# PTA dates for your diary

*Tuesday, 22nd April* Back to school

*Thursday, 22nd May* Movie night

*Friday, 23rd May* Mufti Day for Summer Fair (donations of teddies for the tombola would be very welcome)

*Monday, 26th May—Friday, 6th June* Half term break

*Thursday, 12th June* Father's Day shop

*Sunday, 15th June* Father's Day

*Friday, 20th June* Mufti Day for Summer Fair (donations of bottles for the tombola would be very welcome)

*Saturday, 21st June* Junior Warrior

*Saturday, 28th June* Summer Fair

*Wednesday, 23rd July* Ice cream truck

*Wednesday, 23rd July (2pm)* Break up for Summer





# St Marys Catholic Primary School

PTFA Newsletter September 2024

## What we have raised since September!

**£6,261!!!!**

- Movie Nights £508
- Spooky Bingo & Pumpkin Competition £395
- Santa Dash £1,884
- Bake Off £74
- Mothers Day Shop £175
- Easter Bingo & Parade £249
- Fathers Day Shop £121
- Summer Fair £2855

## Committee

### Chair

Laura Loveday & Nicola Gray

### Treasurer

Mark Waddie

### Secretary

Heather Parsons

### Vice Chair

Germa White & Helen Williams

## Dates for the Diary

- 22nd Nov After School Tuck Shop
- 29th Nov Christmas Pet Toy Sale
- 4th Dec Sponsored Santa Dash – Refreshments/Xmas Jumpers for donations
- 12th Dec Xmas Jumper Day Save the Children
- 13th Jan School Bake Off
- 6th March World Bk Day – Dress Up or PJs
- 21st Mar Odd Socks Day Down Syndrome
- 27th March Mothers Day Shop
- 28th Mufti Day for Easter Bingo Prizes Eggs/Chocolate
- 2nd April Easter Bingo
- 3rd April Easter Hat Parade
- 22nd May Spring Movie Night
- 23rd May Mufti for Teddies
- 12th June Fathers Day Shop
- 20th June Mufti for Bottles
- 28th June Summer Fair

## Class Rep's

### Nursery/Reception

Natalie Waddie

### Year 1 & Year 2

Vacancy & Helen Parker

### Year 3 & Year 4

Heather Parsons & Germa White

### Year 5 & Year 6

Helen Williams & Laura Morris

## Can you Help Us?

We need volunteers for our

- Santa Dash from 12pm 4th Dec
- Can you bake? Donations needed for Santa Dash



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## 2024 - 2025 School Calendar

August '24						
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July '25						
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School Open



INSET Day (Staff Only - no children)



School Closed/ Holidays