



ST. MARY'S
RC. PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Love one another
as I have loved you*



Weekly News



Thank you all for another lovely week in school! Year 2 have enjoyed learning the Tin Whistle and Year 4 have been making willow lanterns for our

December festival. Year 5 led a thoughtful assembly for the month of the Holy Rosary and Year 6 had a fantastic trip to the Imperial War Museum as part of their WW2 topic. Also, thank you to all parents who attended our workshop today our next one is the 16th October! ...what a busy week!

Have a great weekend!

Following several reports from the local community' we kindly request that car users park politely and safely on the roads surrounding our school to ensure that everyone is safe.



Friday 3rd October 2025

Headteacher Award Winners

Nursery	Lottie and Logan
Reception	Nana and Annabella
Year 1	Margot and Norah
Year 2	Ivy and Celest
Year 3	Zahraa and Rudy
Year 4	Maia
Year 5	Nevaeh and Amina
Year 6	Joey and Princess

Attendance Ladder



REMINDER Parents Evening

Wednesday 8th October 2025
& Thursday 9th October 2025
Please book your appointment if you haven't already done so.

ATTENDANCE

N	REC G	REC FK	Y1 BAN	Y1 BAK	Y2 A	Y2B	Y3 M	Y3 S	Y4P	Y5H	Y5N T	Y6B	Y6H
94	95	90	99	96	95	92	96	96	94	96	92	96	98





EYFS

In Nursery this week, we have continued our retelling of 'We're going on a bear hunt' and enjoyed our sensory tray with willow branches, thick oozy mud and shaving foam snowstorm. We have continued with our 'all about me' topic where we looked at our facial features in the mirror and made pancake faces decorating them with different fruits. We also welcomed two new friends to our class this week. The children have been so kind and caring helping them to settle in. In let's explore this week, we have enjoyed our 'muddy café' and loved making pretend hot drinks with shaving foam cream!

A fantastic week Nursery. Well done!



In Reception this week we have had a wonderful time exploring our provision and outdoor areas. The children have made 'hot chocolates' in our messy play and shown their beautiful nurturing skills by bathing the babies. As we enter the month of October we have begun thinking about Mary and the Rosary. The children have found investigating the rosary beads very interesting and have learnt the Hail Mary.

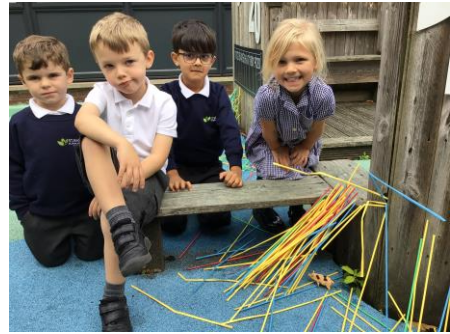




Key Stage 1

Year 1

This week we have been writing letters to the main character in our shared book to ask her a question and give her a piece of advice before her trip to Space. We have been learning about how to look after our bodies by eating a healthy diet and keeping our desks clean. We have been exploring the creation story in more depth and recognizing what we are grateful for. We also completed a scientific investigation to see why brick was the best material to build a house with in the Three little Pigs.



Year 2

Year 2 have had a brilliant week full of learning and creativity! In music, the children were very excited to play the tin whistle and have now almost mastered the A and B notes. I have to say, their note playing was 'music to my ears.' In English, they have been researching and planning how to write a non-fiction report all about bears. In RE, we've started exploring the month of Mary and children have also really enjoyed discovering what a rosary is and how it is used. Well done Year 2, for a great week!



Keep up to date with what is going on in school





Lower Key Stage 2

What an amazing week Year 3 have had! In Maths, we have been using our knowledge of numbers to 1,000 to add and subtract 1s, 10s and 100s. We have also started our new book, 'The First Drawing', which links to our History and Art topic, the Stone Age. The children have been enjoying the Stone Age and have blown us all away with their fabulous writing using their knowledge and understanding of this period in history. The children have also begun praying a decade of the rosary every day as we have now entered the month of the Holy Rosary.



Year 4

This week we have had a week full of fun activities. We have worked using the school willow to create a biodegradable skeleton for our lanterns. We have begun looking at dialogue in the form of playscripts. We also wrote character descriptions in a narrative keeping the story flowing. We are continuing to build up a head of steam with TTRS and we have had new records set already!





Upper Key Stage 2

Year Five

A great week in Year Five peaked with our wonderful class assembly on the Rosary. We had the honour of leading this special celebration and the children delivered it with great respect and confidence, we couldn't be prouder of them. In English, we have been busy writing biographies on Philippe Petit and the results are looking brilliant. The children have worked hard to capture his incredible story and we have thoroughly enjoyed learning about this fascinating artist. In Maths, we have begun our new unit on decimals and fractions. The children have impressed us with how well they have drawn on their prior knowledge and applied it to their new learning. We are also continuing to enjoy our class reading book, Cosmic, which has been sparking lots of excitement and discussion. All in all, a wonderful week of learning, creativity and growth in Year Five!



Year six

What an absolutely fascinating trip we had to the Imperial War Museum on Tuesday. The children displayed such empathy and respect as they explored the various exhibits, using the sources provided to retrieve information and make inferences about the real-life experiences of war. They were particularly captivated by the informative Big Picture Shows, sparking some brilliant discussions. We must mention how lovely it was to see them being praised by staff and other visitors for their impeccable manners and genuine curiosity. To top it all off, we enjoyed a lovely stroll around Media City UK and even managed some time for play in the Blue Peter Garden. A truly enriching day!





Catholic Life

October – The Month of the Holy Rosary

October is a very special month in the Church because we think especially about the Holy Rosary. The Rosary is a prayer that helps us remember important times in the life of Jesus and shows us how much Mary, His Mother, loves us. During October, we are taking extra time in school to pray the Rosary together and ask Mary to look after us.



Year 5 Assembly

Year 5 did a wonderful job leading our Key Stage 2 assembly all about the Rosary. They explained where the Rosary came from, what the Mysteries mean, and how saying the Rosary can bring us closer to God. They spoke clearly and helped us to stop and think about how we can pray to Mary.

Well done, Year 5!

Ideas for Home

- Say one decade (10 Hail Marys) of the Rosary together as a family.
- Keep a Rosary on your prayer table at home.
- Choose a Mystery to think about and draw a picture of it.
- Light a candle during prayer time and ask Mary to pray for your family.

