



ST. MARY'S
RC. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Weekly News



Friday 7th March 2025

A HUGE CONGRATULATIONS to our amazing Gymnastics Team who achieved fantastic results in a citywide competition this week.

We are so proud of all the children who took part.

Out of all Manchester Schools we achieved the following:

Y5 Team: Gold

Y6 Team: Silver

Y3/4 Team: Bronze

Y1/2 Team: Bronze and Silver

George J: Gold

Jotham E: Gold

Sadie H: Silver

Maria H: Silver

Tiago : Silver



What a brilliant way to round off a fabulous week. Thank you all for supporting World Book Day 2025, donating books and cakes and for joining us today at our annual Poetry Café. We are so lucky to have such wonderful children, parents and staff.



Headteacher Award Winners

Nursery	David and Aniyah
Reception	Fatima and Evangeline
Year 1	and Joesph
Year 2	Lois and Tilda
Year 3	Noah
Year 4	Arabella and Tiago
Year 5	Cara-Lily and Eleanor
Year 6	Jonjo and Lydia

Attendance Ladder



ATTENDANCE

	N	YRFS	YRG	Y1N	Y1B	Y2A	Y2K	Y3C	Y4B	Y4C	Y5NT	Y5H	Y6B	Y6H
	94.1	93.3	99.3	98.3	97.5	96.6	94.3	97.1	94.5	98	96.6	97.3	100	97.6





Catholic Life



We continue to pray for Pope Francis.
May the Lord continue to grant him
renewed strength and energy.

Well done to this week's Mission Award
winners!

Have a go at
filling your
St Joseph's
Penny Box during
Lent



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Thank you Father
Kris for visiting us
on Ash Wednesday
to distribute ashes.

CAFOD visitor

We were fortunate to have a visit from Charles who volunteers with CAFOD this week.
He spoke to us about how our fundraising helps people in other countries especially
during this special Jubilee Year!





EYFS

We have had a brilliant week in Nursery! We have read a lovely story called 'Inside the igloo' about 3 penguins who are trapped inside the igloo because of the storm outside. They have lots of adventures inside instead. The children enjoyed recreating some of these activities in class such as making dens, making music using pot and pans, baking, and explored making shadows with their own animal puppets.

We also had a lovely pancake day making pancakes on the fire with Mrs Searle and Miss Knowles. The children chose their toppings and carefully cut up the fruit. We learned about Lent and what we might do during this special time.

Finally, we had a wonderful book day sharing lots of stories together and with our Year 5 reading buddies. Well done children for a fun-filled week.



This week in Reception we have been very busy! We started off our week with a pancake demonstration in the forest and toasted Jaffa cakes over the fire. On Tuesday we ate pancakes and took part in willow weaving where a very talented sculptor taught us to make baskets and showed us some of her wonderful work. We also ate pancakes to celebrate shrove Tuesday. On Thursday we took part in World book day with a lovely visit from year 6. We were also visited by Charles from CAFOD who discussed the Jubilee year with us! Well done Reception!





Key Stage 1

Year 1

This week in Year 1 we have continued our learning about the Titanic. We have loved seeing and hearing how excited the children are to learn about our history topic this half term.

Yesterday we celebrated World Book Day and we loved spending the day in our pyjamas and reading lots of books.



Year 2

It has been an exciting week in Year 2! This half term, year 2 have the fantastic opportunity to take part in Relax Kids. During the sessions, children learn different scientifically proven strategies to relax. The sessions are broken down into seven steps, with high energy to low energy by the end of the session.

Year 2 had a fantastic day celebrating World Book Day and shared their favourite books with Year 4 children.

It was also the beginning of Lent where children chose to receive ashes on Ash Wednesday and then learnt about the importance of this during a service held in school by Father Kris.





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Lower Key Stage 2

What a super busy week we have had in Year 3! On Tuesday, Jane and Cherry visited our class for a willow workshop where we made our own fish shape using the willow from our playground! The children showed so much curiosity and creativity, their final creations looked amazing! On Thursday we thoroughly enjoyed our World Book Day celebrations, including the Treasure Hunt around the playground and the Footy and Booky Quiz! All while preparing for the Poetry Café on Friday! Well done Year 3!



World Book Day and the Poetry Café rounded off an exciting week in Year 4. We have written our own versions of the Jabberwocky poem and even created our own creature.

We have started learning about fractions and have learned to count beyond the Whole number.

We continue to look at the Anglo Saxons and their arrival in Britain, exploring the impact they had on England.





Upper Key Stage 2

Year 5

Year 5 have had a fantastic week! With the beautiful weather, we've made the most of our time both in and outside the classroom.

For World Book Day, the children wrote their own bedtime stories and took on the added responsibility of helping the Nursery children with their book hunt. In the afternoon, they all enjoyed reading together, it was great to see them interacting with each other so well!

In Maths, we've started the second part of our fractions unit, and it's been great to see the children applying what they learned earlier in the year. Well done Year 5 for all your hard work and creativity this week!



Year 6

What an amazing week we have had. We showed great creativity and cooperation during World Book Day where we wrote our own books and enjoyed a wonderful treasure hunt with reception.

In PE, we really enjoyed playing football as part of a national campaign to get more girls into football. The whole year group participated, and it was great to see the support the children had for each other.

