



Weekly News

Friday 11th September 2026

Headteacher Award Winners

Nursery	All Nursery Children
Reception	Kit and Zion (RG) Billie and Ursula (RFK)
Year 1	Sophia D and Cleo
Year 2	Aoibhe and Sofia
Year 3	Alec & Lorelei
Year 4	Tobias & Oscar
Year 5	Jasmine
Year 6	Adji, Siam, Fatima and Liam

What a fantastic first full week back at school we have had!

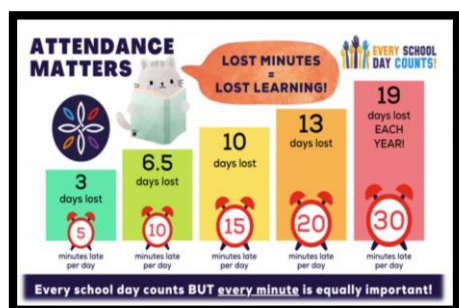
The children have settled brilliantly and are enjoying their learning both indoors and outdoors. It has been wonderful to see how well all of our new children and families have settled into school life. We are so pleased to see everyone becoming familiar with routines, making new friends and enjoying everything school has to offer.

Our Year 6 children have had an amazing time on their PGL Activity Holiday in Shropshire! We can't wait to hear all about their adventures and listen to their stories when they return next week.

Just a gentle reminder to please be mindful when parking around school. Please ensure that driveways and pavements are not blocked, allowing residents, pedestrians and families to move around safely.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and consideration.

Wishing you all a lovely weekend, and we look forward to seeing everyone back on Monday!



**MACMILLAN
COFFEE AFTERNOON**
Friday 25th September 2026
1.30-2.30
In the School Hall
Cake donations welcome
Thursday 24th September





EYFS

We are so proud of all our Nursery children this week! They have settled in so well, made new friends and shown great bravery as they embarked on their new adventure at St Mary's. The children have enjoyed singing songs during circle time, exploring our outdoor area and playing with their new friends in the classroom.

Well done on a super first week Nursery!



We have had a wonderful first week in Reception! In true St Mary's style the children have shown their resilience, kindness and courage starting their Reception journey. We have begun our phonics learning, the children have been taught four new sounds; s,a,t,p. This week we have been focussing on what honesty means and why it is so important. The children showed great detective skills whilst working out who took Mrs Farrell's lip balm and helped Jude the bear to be honest and give it back. The children then joined Mrs Hussain to create the 'Heart of our classroom' where they all added their own handprint using paint.

Well done Reception on a fantastic week, we could not be prouder of you all!





Key Stage 1

Year 1

The children have had a fantastic start to Year One and we have been so impressed by the cooperation and resilience they have shown. We have had a lovely week getting to know your children better and settling into routines. In maths, we have been learning how to accurately count objects by assigning each object a number and looking at the last number to see how many objects we have altogether. In writing, we have been inspired by the story 'Naughty Bus' and have written our own sentences about buses. Well done Year One, what a great year we are going to have together!



Year 2

What a fantastic first week back we have had in Year 2! The children have settled in wonderfully and have thrown themselves into their new learning with lots of enthusiasm. In Music, we have been enjoying listening and responding to traditional Irish music as we prepare for the exciting challenge of learning to play the tin whistle. In Literacy, we have started reading *The Bear Under the Stairs* and the children are already intrigued by the mysterious bear hiding beneath the stairs! In RE, we have been exploring the Bible, discovering why it is so special to Christians and learning about the many different books within it. It has certainly been a busy, fun-filled start to Year 2 and we cannot wait to see what the year ahead brings!





Lower Key Stage 2

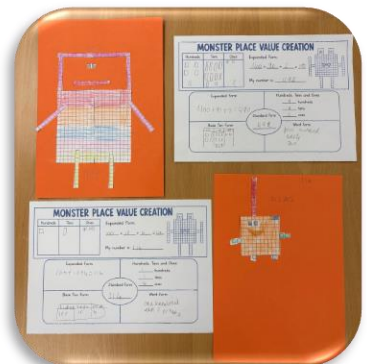
Year 3

Year 3 have had a fabulous start! Both classes have settled into Key Stage 2 really quickly. The children enjoyed their first swimming lesson and we displayed great poolside behaviour. This week, the children have started learning about the Stone Age and they enjoyed the activity where they used toilet rolls to create timelines.



Year 4

Year 4 have been working really hard on their place value in Maths this week. We thoroughly enjoyed making place value monsters and talking to our friends about the value of our creations.





Upper Key Stage 2

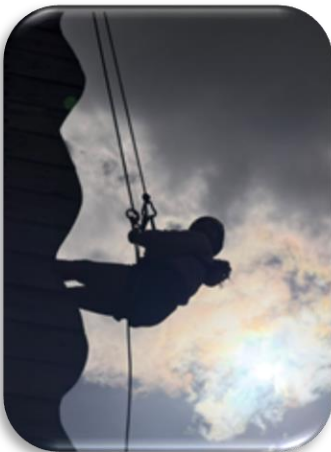


Year Five

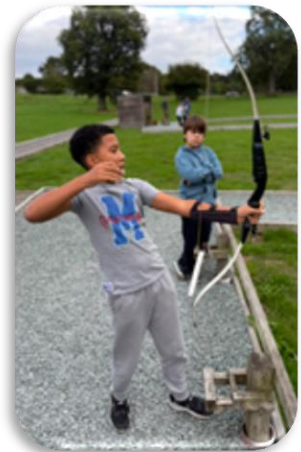
We have made a fantastic start to Year 5 and have embraced the change brilliantly! We are taking great pride in our presentation, already producing work to be proud of and challenging ourselves each day.

In English, we have been inspired by the incredible story of Philippe Petit and even had a go at tightrope walking ourselves. In Art, we practiced our drawing skills and in History we are learning all about the Vikings' journey to Britain. We have also enjoyed building our hand and finger strength in Dough Dance!

Well done Year five, You have made a brilliant start to the year – keep it up!



Year Six
PGL Residential
2026



Keep up to date with what is going on in school





ST. MARY'S
RC. PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Love one another
as I have loved you.*



Catholic Life



What a wonderful start to the year with our first Key Stage 2 Children's Mass, led beautifully by our Year 6 children on the very special day of Mary's birthday. We were so proud of all the children. They listened so carefully to Father Kris and joined in with the singing with such enthusiasm, they certainly raised the roof! It was a lovely, fun celebration and a really special way for us all to come together as a school community at the start of the new school year. A huge well done to our Year 6 children for leading the Mass so confidently and thank you to everyone who helped make it such a lovely occasion.

