ST. MARY'S RC. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Weekly News

Friday 10th July 2026

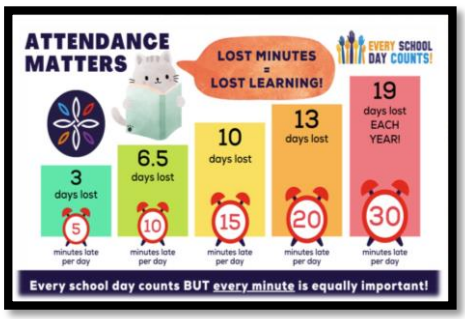
Headteacher Award Winners	
Nursery	Luis and Eva
Reception	Rowan and Sophia F
Year 1	Thalia and Jesse
Year 2	Jess and
Year 3	Hazel and Ebony
Year 4	Roshitha
Year 5	Caitlin and Esmee
Year 6	Kajetan and Emelia

Thank you all for a week of football and fun! Next week is always an emotional one at St Mary's as we prepare to say goodbye to our wonderful Year 6 children. It will be a week of celebration as we reflect on all they have achieved and the exciting journeys that lie ahead.

On **Friday 17th July**, the Coffee Van will be on site from **8:00am**. Why not make the last day of term a little extra special by enjoying a coffee and taking the opportunity to catch up with other parents before the school day begins?

As this is our final newsletter of the school year, I would like to thank you, as always, for your continued support, kindness and partnership. Together, we have created another fantastic year for our children, and we are truly grateful for everything you do to support St Mary's.

Have a lovely weekend and we'll see you all on Monday!



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EYFS

What a wonderful week we've had in Nursery! We have enjoyed reading lots of stories and singing songs together this week. We made chocolate crispy cakes and enjoyed these at snack time, as well as ice pops to cool us down in the hot weather.
We had fun investigating our height and enjoyed drawing round our bodies and comparing them to each other.
In P.E. this week, we practised our football skills and enjoyed a match at the end! Well done on a super week, Nursery.

This week we have had a great week in Reception. The children have continued to use their phonics skills to produce some fantastic work. They have been creative and named our class puffin and written a sentence about our new 'pet'. We have also been enjoying the warm weather. The children have had lots of fun in our outdoor area, exploring in Lets explore and creating dens to keep out of the sun. We have also been practicing for our end of year assembly which the children are all very excited to share with you. Well done Reception on another great week !

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Key Stage 1

Year 1

This week we have been writing a sequel narrative to our class story Pig The Pug. The children will be publishing their narratives as their final write for Year One. What amazing progress everyone has made! We have been looking at Time in math's and have been learning the order of the days of the week, the months and looking at how to draw hour hands correctly onto clocks. In DT, we have planned and made a fruit salad using fruits that can be grown in the UK. We learnt how to use a knife safely by using a 'bridge' or 'claw' hold to keep our fingers safe. They looked delicious! Well done Year One!

Year 2

As part of our Great Fire of London topic, both Year 2 classes had a fantastic time becoming bakers and making their own bread. The children loved mixing, kneading and shaping their dough while learning about the important role bakeries played in London in 1666. There was plenty of excitement along the way, including one teacher accidentally forgetting to add the yeast! Thankfully, every great baker learns from their mistakes, and we'll have another chance to perfect our loaves in the Great St Mary's Bake Off. We can't wait to see whose bread rises to the occasion!

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Lower Key Stage 2

Year 3 have had another wonderful week! We started by competing in our World Cup competition, where we showcased our football skills as well as showing sportsmanship throughout the competition. In maths this week, we have been learning about statistics and have collected our own data to draw our very own bar charts. In Geography we have researched the human and physical features of New Delhi and compared them to the features of Levenshulme. We are so proud of how hard the children have worked all week, especially as it is getting hotter.

This week we have begun the construction of our own Jabberwocky poem. We have experimented with portmanteau to create our own words and creatures. We challenged ourselves to add a rhyming structure but that was a challenge with our new words!

We have explored symmetry and discussed its use in the world. We have looked at symmetrical shapes and patterns choosing to use that within our art lessons too.

We continue to read The Last Firefox and hope to conclude this very exciting story next week.

In Geography we have been exploring the rainforest and comparing the habitats of plants and animals to our local habitats.

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Upper Key Stage 2

Year Five

It has been another wonderful week in Year 5! With the sunshine making a welcome return, we have enjoyed an incredibly productive, creative and resilient week.

In guided reading, we have continued with our text *When Hitler Stole Pink Rabbit* and we are all eager to reach the end of the story to find out what happens to Anna and her family.

We also celebrated the World Cup with a fantastic football tournament alongside Year 6. Every member of Year 5 demonstrated our learning powers, showing excellent teamwork, determination and sportsmanship. We are so proud of the positive attitude everyone displayed throughout the tournament.

Well done, Year 5, for all your hard work and enthusiasm this week.

Year Six

What a wonderful week we have had! We began with a marvellous celebration of football during our Sports Week, and it was lovely to see so many children taking part with confidence and joy. Mr Beresford was so impressed with their skills, fairness and enthusiasm, and we are very proud of everyone's efforts.

We also enjoyed a wonderful morning in the forest, where the children worked together to make incredible dens. It was a fantastic chance to explore, problem-solve and enjoy the outdoors - it really feels like we are making the most of our last few weeks together.

We have now had our first complete run throughs of the play, and they are already looking great. The children are making so much effort to ensure the final performances are amazing, we are all so excited.

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Catholic Life

This week, our School Chaplains represented St Mary's at a special diocesan Mass at St Patrick's Church, Collyhurst. It was wonderful to join schools from across the Diocese of Salford to celebrate our shared community.

A highlight of the celebration was seeing each school represented by a cross displaying photographs of all its children and staff, symbolising that everyone is an important part of our diocesan family, a family where everyone is welcome and everyone belongs. .

A huge thank you to our School Chaplains, who represented St Mary's with confidence and pride. They were fantastic ambassadors for our school.