



ST. MARY'S
RC. PRIMARY SCHOOL

Love one another
as I have loved you



Weekly News

Friday 6th March 2026

A huge thank you for helping to make our World Book Day 2026 such an exceptionally successful event. We all had a wonderful day celebrating reading and the children thoroughly enjoyed the activities.

We are looking forward to welcoming you into school on Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th March 2026 for our Year 1–Year 6 parent meetings. Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Have a lovely weekend.

Headteacher Award Winners

Nursery	Amelia and Emily
Reception	Imaan and Nana
Year 1	Oscar
Year 2	Lucas
Year 3	Evelyn and Huw
Year 4	Nadia
Year 5	Nevaeh and Liam
Year 6	Fiona and Kian

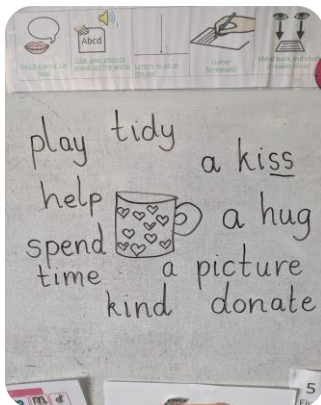




EYFS

We have had a wonderful week in Nursery! We have been exploring three different African countries this week – Ghana, Cameroon and Zambia. We have loved reading the story 'Handa's surprise' and retelling the story. We looked at the different fruits from the story, using some wonderful words to describe them. We then cut them up and enjoyed trying them at snack time.

Outside, we have enjoyed exploring some African prints and making colourful necklaces. On World book day, we had a fantastic day reading lots of stories together and had a visit from our Year 4 reading buddies who shared stories with us. A fantastic week everyone, well done!



We have had a fantastic first week back in Reception ! This week we have been looking at the story of Chinese New Year and explored different stories from China. The children have really enjoyed learning about each animal and what each animal represents. In Religion we have been looking at the feeding of the five thousand, we have looked at what charity is and how we can support charities such as Mary's meals. We also discussed what things we can do to show love, the children shared ideas and as a class we filled a cup with love to share with everyone around us. Well done Reception on a wonderful week.

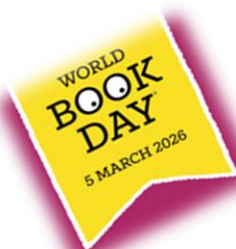
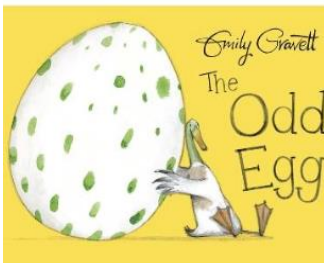




Key Stage 1

Year 1

This week in Year 1 we have been investigating our bodies. We measured our hands and feet to answer the question 'If someone has big feet do they need large gloves?'. We found this very interesting ask us about our results. In Literacy we have continued reading our story The Odd Egg. We wrote commands using imperative verbs to tell someone how to look after an egg. It has been a great week in Year 1.



Year 2

It has been a fantastic week of learning in Year 2. We have started a new book in Literacy called Grandad's Camper, where children explored the contents of a memory box and began to predict their ideas. We also celebrated World Book Day, where children had the opportunity to share books with other children and design their own villain. We had a fantastic assembly and would like to thank you all for supporting the children.

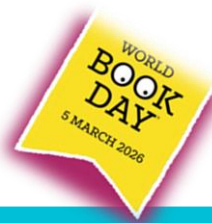




Lower Key Stage 2



Year 3 have had a very exciting week! We have been writing an alternative ending to a cautionary tale using rhyming couplets. In maths, we have begun learning about fractions, where we have looked at what the numerator and denominator are. 3M have been staying curious in Forest School with Jayne, looking at the different types of trees and how they can tell the difference between each one. On Thursday, we celebrated World Book Day by dressing up in pyjamas or as our favourite book character. We had a wonderful day reading stories and spent time reading to the year 1 classes!



Year 4 had a fantastic World Book Day!

We loved creating our amazing classroom door and writing some truly fabulous stories. The children showed so much creativity and imagination, and it was wonderful to see everyone celebrating their love of reading. Well done, Year 4!





Upper Key Stage 2

Year Five

Year 5 have had a fantastic week! We have been busy writing up our exciting adventure stories, inspired by Odysseus and his challenging journey home as he faced many trials and the wrath of the gods.

In Maths, we have continued to make great progress with long multiplication, focusing on multiplying two-digit numbers by two-digit numbers. The children really are becoming more confident with this skill.

We also had a wonderful time celebrating World Book Day by dressing up in our pyjamas or as our favourite book characters. It was a brilliant day where we all immersed ourselves in stories and remembered just how important and enjoyable reading can be.

A terrific week all round – well done, Year 5!



Year Six

It's been a great week in Year 6, we have started our SATs preparation with a positive, can-do attitude and have been amazed at the resilience and challenge the children have shown.

We can't wait to see the progress children make over the coming weeks and we are so proud of the efforts they have put in so far.

We loved World Book Day and the creativity the children showed in their outfits and throughout the day was amazing.

Well done on a fantastic week Year 6, here's to another great week next week.

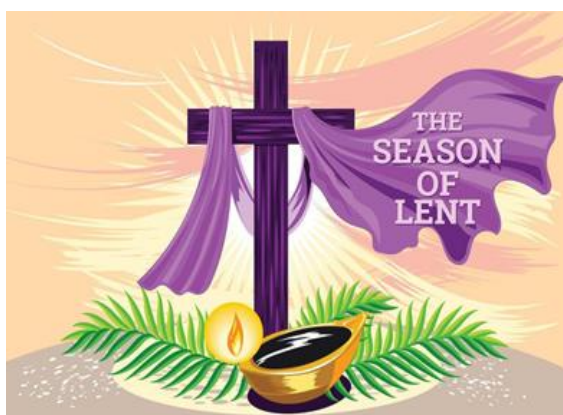




Catholic Life of Our School

Celebration of the Word

Throughout Lent, Key Stage 2 have been gathering each week for *Celebration of the Word*. During this special time together, the children listen to and reflect on the weekly Gospel, spend time in prayer, and think about how they can live out Jesus' message in their daily lives.



St Joseph's Penny

Please continue to add any spare change you may have during Lent to your boxes. These small donations really do make a difference and help support those in need across our diocese. We are very grateful for your continued generosity and support.



Sacramental Programme

This week we held our first **Sacramental Meeting** for the children who have enrolled on the programme this year. The children were very well behaved, showed great curiosity and confidently answered questions as they began this important step in their faith journey.

Our **Welcome Mass** for the Sacramental Programme will take place on **Sunday 8th March at 11:00am**. All families are warmly invited to join us as we welcome the children beginning their preparation for the Sacraments.

