

Monday 17th June 2024

Message from the Headteacher

Well done to all of our pupils who have been taking statutory tests over the past two weeks: Year 4 pupils who did the Multiplication Tables Check, Year 1 (and some Year 2) pupils who completed the Phonics Screening and Year 2 who completed the KS1 SATs. Over the next fortnight all year group will be completing our school assessments in reading, writing, RE and maths. Every day matters and being in school matters! Thank you to all families who avoided any absences (other than illness related) this term. We look forward to sharing your child's end of year progress report next month.

Our Key Stage 2 pupils had the opportunity to watch and listen to the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra's Sea Stories school concert before half term. We enjoyed seeing the orchestral instruments up close and even joining in with several pieces. Special thanks to the parents and carers who were able to support us on this trip.



Important Dates

17th June	Family Celebration and Open Book – 14:30	All Year Groups
17 th -21 st June	National School Sports Week	All Year Groups
21 st June	Year 5 Mass in school – 9.00	Parents / Carers of children in Yr 5
21 st June	Joint Non-Uniform Day: Friends of St Mary's and St Aloysius Day, wear yellow, blue, white. Bring in an item for the school fayre / suggested £1 donation to the Catholic Children's Society	All Years
28 th June	Transfer day	All Year Groups
28 th June	Children to wear sportswear or PE kit to celebrate sports	All Years Groups
28 th June	International Storytelling 2.30pm	All Year Groups
1 st July	Diocesan Mass for Year 6 Leavers at Church	Year 6
2 nd July	SEND Parent/Carer meetings in school 15:30 -18:00	SEND Parents/Carers
5 th July	Year F2 Liturgy in school – 9:00	Parents/Carers of children in EYFS
5 th July	Commemorative Tree Planting	All Years
5 th July	Summer Fayre 3:30-5:30	All children welcome with accompanied adult
11 th and 12 th July	Whole School Production – “Matilda” 18:30 in the school hall	Parents/Carers

15 th July	Reports will be sent home	All Year Groups
16 th July	Year 6 Graduation 4:30 at school	Year 6 and Year 6 Parents/Carers
17 th July	Year 6 Leavers Disco 6:00-8:30pm	Year 6 pupils
19 th July	End of Year Mass at Church 9:00	All Year Groups
23 rd July	Break up for summer holiday - finish at 15:15	All years
	Summer Holiday Break – 15:15 close	

Staff Training Days 2024-2025

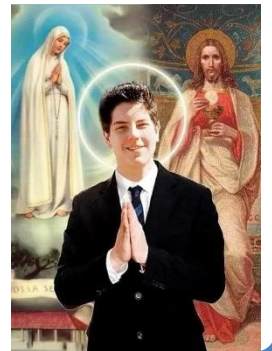
Please note that there is a slight amendment to our training day dates for next year.

- 2nd September 2024
- 13th September 2024 (newly added)
- 25th October 2024
- 4th November 2024
- 24th February 2025 (to be confirmed)
- 2nd June 2025

Announcements

First Millennial Saint

Blessed Carlo Acutis, the London born 15 year old who died in Italy of Leukaemia in 2006, will be declared the first millennial saint. Bishop Hudson, an Auxiliary Bishop of Westminster said people are 'captivated by this young saint for our times who read Scripture every day, had a heart for social action, collecting containers full of clothes for the poor, stood up for anyone being bullied at school and visited Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament every day.' We thank God for this wonderful news.'



Reminders

International Storytelling Afternoon - 28th June, 2:30pm



At St Mary's we are proud of our multilingual community of over 30 languages!

We would love to hear from parents who would like to share a picture book or read or tell our children a story in any language. This will help to develop our children's language and literacy skills and be a celebration of our rich and diverse community.

Be Safe

ParentLine Confidential Text Messaging Service

ParentLine is a confidential text messaging service providing parents and carers of 5-19 year olds in Dorset a way to seek advice from our school nursing team about their child's health and development via text message. Parents and carers can seek advice about a range of issues, including toileting, sleep, development, behaviour, healthy eating, mental health, bullying, school refusal and exam stress.

Parents and carers can contact the 5-19 ParentLine service from 9am-4pm, Monday to Friday (excluding weekends, bank holidays and school holidays), with a member of the School Nursing team responding to messages within one working day. If you send text outside these hours, you will receive an automated message with advice on where to get help if you need it urgently.

Text 07312 263131 for confidential advice and support from a member of the school nursing team.

ParentLine is not an emergency service, for urgent medical attention contact your GP, 111 or 999.

Value of the Week

British Value of the week: Mutual Respect – Pope Francis wants us to pray for those fleeing their country, that host countries are welcoming and show kindness and respect.

Gospel Value of the week: Kindness – as well as identifying what kindness is we use this as an opportunity to embed children’s understanding that bullying is ‘persistent’ and ongoing acts of unkindness. They should all be able to discuss who their trusted adults are, who the DSLs are and what to do if they are worried.

Be Here, be Ready

100% Attendance Week this week!

This week we will remind families of the new regulations around school attendance which are coming into force from September 2024.

- From September, schools will have to consider a fine if a pupil misses 10 sessions (half days) of unauthorised absence in a rolling period of 10 school weeks. The threshold can be met with “any combination of unauthorised absence”. For example, four sessions in term time plus six instances of arriving late.
- The period of 10 weeks can also span “different terms or school years”.
- Schools “retain the discretion to issue one before the threshold is met”. This could include where parents “are deliberately avoiding the national threshold by taking several term time holidays below threshold, or for repeated absence for birthdays or other family events”.

Please consider the above if you are thinking about taking any holiday in term time in future.

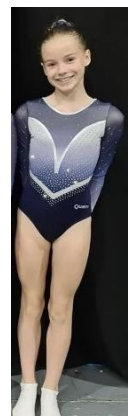
Spotlight

Trampoline Champions



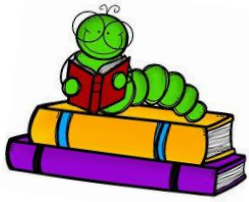
Isaac competed in a trampoline event in Telford recently and came 3rd. Although, Isaac was nervous, as this was his first national level competition, he has qualified for the English championship competition in October of this year. Well done Isaac we are very proud of you.

Mollie has worked her way up to entering her first national English trampolining competition. Mollie ranked 23rd out of 62 and has now qualified for the next level. If she gets through the second round she will be competing in the championship final. She has also been selected to represent the Southwest which takes place in July. Well done Mollie!



Mission Moments

Bravo to Arina from year 6 who has helped others all year in the library, quizzing and also choosing and checking books out of the library.



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