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St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Hello everyone,



Well, the Ofsted visit has come and gone! It was an intense couple of days, but we're incredibly proud of how our whole school community came together. The inspectors really wanted to understand everything about us – they poured

over our evidence, spoke with parents on the playground, and gathered feedback from pupils, staff, and leaders alike. They didn't miss a beat when it came to safeguarding, either. Getting the inspection done before Christmas is such a relief, and we're grateful for everyone's hard work and support. Thank you to parents who completed the Parentview questionnaire, we really appreciate your support, time and effort.

In other news, we're thrilled to invite Year 5 parents to the Year 5 curriculum assembly next week! This is a chance to see what the children have been up to in lessons and hear about their projects and activities so far this year. We know you'll be as proud as we are of everything they've achieved. We can't wait to see you there and share in the excitement!

Our Year 4 trip to Chester was also a big hit. The children had an amazing time diving into Roman history, from exploring ancient ruins to. It's not every day you get to walk in the footsteps of history, and they came back full of enthusiasm and stories.

Why did the student eat their homework?

Because the teacher said it was a *piece of cake!* 🍰

And on Monday, our Year 6 pupils took a very special trip to the Arboretum. It was a beautiful, reflective day, and I can't tell you how proud we are of their respectful and thoughtful approach to the experience. It was an opportunity for meaningful learning that I'm sure left a lasting impression.

Heavenly Father,
We thank You for the children and staff of St Mary's Catholic Primary School,
for the love, dedication, and faith that fill these walls.

As we move forward after Ofsted's visit,
we ask for Your blessings upon our school.
May our students grow in wisdom, kindness,
and resilience,
guided by the light of Your love.

Grant our teachers and staff strength and peace,
renewing their spirits as they continue this sacred work.
Let their efforts be fruitful, their challenges met with courage,
and their hearts filled with joy as they shape young lives.

Bless our school community—students, parents, and educators—
with unity, patience, and a shared purpose.
May St Mary's be a place where faith flourishes,
where knowledge grows, and where every child feels cherished.

Amen.

One bit of disappointing news – we've had to postpone the Club Members Performance for Parents. With the Ofsted team's arrival, it's been a juggling act, and we simply couldn't fit in the extra rehearsals. We're sorry for any inconvenience this may cause and are committed to rescheduling the performance for the new year.

As always, we'll be selling poppies on Monday for Remembrance Day.

Looking back on this busy week, we're just filled with pride. The



support, spirit, and hard work from everyone – pupils, parents, and staff – remind us why St Mary's is such a special place. Here's to keeping up the great work and continuing to make memories and

grow together.

The Power of Good Attendance

Each morning brings a brand-new day,
With lessons waiting, games to play.
A chance to grow, a chance to learn,
To dive in deep at every turn.
Good attendance lights the way,
Building habits strong to stay.
With every step and every stride,
We walk in knowledge side by side.
When we're here, we're part of the team,
Working together to chase each dream.
We build the bonds that make us strong,
Creating friendships that last life long.
Each day counts, a precious chance,
To read, to solve, to sing, to dance.
For school is more than books and grades,
It's where a brighter future's made.
So let's be there, each morning bright,
Ready to learn, with hearts so light.
For good attendance sets the pace,
Helping each child find their place.

Dates for your diary

13.11.24	Year 5 Curriculum Assembly	During the assembly for the parents of Year 5, the children will present highlights from their lessons, projects, and activities, giving you insight into their educational journey this year. We will be excited for them to share their progress and achievements with you.
26.11.24	Parents Open Afternoon	All parents welcome between 3.30 and 4.45pm. Hope to see you there.
10.12.24	KS1 Christmas performance 9am and 2pm	We will be delighted to invite you to our annual Christmas performances! The children will have worked hard to prepare a festive show filled with music, drama, and cheer. We can't wait to share the magic of the season with you!
12.12.24	KS2 Christmas performance 9am and 2pm	
17.12.24	Christmas dinner	
19.12.24	Children break-up for Christmas	
07.01.25	Children return to school	

