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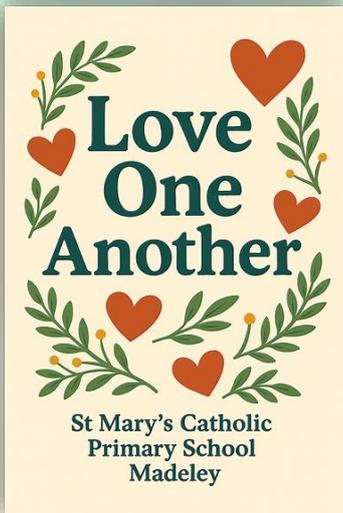
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St Mary's Catholic Primary **School Newsletter**



Dear Parents and Carers,

Below is a list of important dates for you to be aware of over the coming weeks. Please take note of them and add them to your calendars, as we have a very busy and exciting term ahead. Events include sports

days, parents' open afternoons, swimming sessions, the Year 6 prom, school trips and a range of other enriching experiences for the children.

Next week is National Science Week, and the children will be celebrating by taking part in a variety of science activities across the school. Our Year 6 pupils will also be going on a pantomime trip to Abraham Darby, which will give them the opportunity not only to enjoy the performance but also to look around one of our local secondary schools.

On Friday 13th, we will be celebrating World Book Day. Children are welcome to come dressed as their favourite book character or in their own special clothes.

Parents should also be aware that we will be holding an information evening for Year 6 Parents on Wednesday 18th

March. It would be extremely helpful if you were able to attend, as we will be sharing key updates and information for the term ahead.

Thank you for your continued support. We hope you all have a lovely weekend, and fingers crossed the sunshine returns for us to enjoy.

Mrs Griffiths

School Dates for Your Diary

March

Friday 6th March

Girls' Football "Let's Play" Day

Children may come to school wearing their football kits. Football activities will take place throughout the day.

Monday 9th – Friday 13th March

Science Week

Science activities will run across all classes. We will also welcome a former pupil completing work experience in school.

Wednesday 11th March

Year 6 Pantomime Trip – Abraham Darby

Year 6 will visit Abraham Darby to watch a pantomime and experience a secondary school environment.

Friday 13th March

World Book Day Celebration

Children may dress as their favourite book character or come in their own special clothes.

Year 3 Boys' Football Tournament

A team of Year 3 boys will represent the school in a football tournament.

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for loving me every day.
As we get ready for Easter,
help me to be kind, helpful and
forgiving.

Teach me to make good choices,
to share with others,
and to say sorry when I do something
wrong.

Please guide my heart,
help me to grow closer to you,
and remind me to pray for those who
need your love.

Walk with me this Lent,
and fill my heart with peace and hope.

Amen.

Wednesday 18th March

School Photographer

Individual and class photos will be taken. Please ensure children are in full school uniform please.

SATs meeting for Year 6 Parents

Thursday 19th March

Year 6 Trip – Shropshire Discovery Hills

Wednesday 25th March

Football Friendly Match

Our school team will take part in a friendly match with another local school.

Friday 27th March

Fire Brigade to visit Year 3

Monday 30th March

Easter Holidays Begin

April

Monday 13th April

School Reopens

Tuesday 14th April

Parents Open Afternoon

Wednesday 15th April

Year 2 Visit to Madeley Library

Year 2 pupils will walk to Madeley Library to explore the facilities and learn about the library's offer.

Friday 17th April (and every Friday afternoon thereafter)

Year 6 Swimming Sessions Begin

A former pupil will also join us for work experience, supporting sports teaching during this week.

Wednesday 29th April

Year 2 Curriculum Assembly – all parents welcome

May

Monday 4th May

Bank Holiday – School Closed

Monday 11th May

Year 6 SATs Week Begins

Monday 18th May

Walk to School Week

Wednesday 20th May

Mr Morgan's Class Curriculum Assembly. Parents are warmly invited to attend.

Thursday 21st May

Year 6 Thanksgiving Leavers' Mass
Held at the Cathedral in Shrewsbury.

Monday 25th May

Half Term Begins

June

Monday 1st June

Return to School

Tuesday 2nd June

Year 5/6 Cricket Competition

Wednesday 3rd June

Year 1 Curriculum Assembly – Mrs Lambie & Mrs Bright

Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th June

Parents' Evening – Parent/Class teacher individual meetings

Wednesday 10th June

Year 6 Curriculum Assembly – Mrs Bulkeley-Jones. All parents welcome.

Tuesday 16th June

Key Stage 1 Sports Day (*weather permitting*)

Wednesday 17th June

Key Stage 2 Sports Day

July

Wednesday 1st July

Year 5 Curriculum Assembly – Miss Carver. Year 5 parents are invited to attend.

Wednesday 8th July

Reception Curriculum Assembly – Miss Rushton. All Reception parents are invited.

Thursday 9th July

Chinese Dance Workshop with Year 4 and 5

Friday 10th July

Year 6 Prom

Year 6 Leavers' Assembly

The **date and time will be confirmed** nearer the time.

Friday 17th July

Break Up for Summer Holidays

Key Catholic Dates – 2026

March

- **19 March** – St Joseph, Spouse of Mary (Solemnity)
- **25 March** – Annunciation of the Lord

Holy Week (2026)

- **29 March** – Palm Sunday
- **2 April** – Holy Thursday
- **3 April** – Good Friday
- **4 April** – Holy Saturday
- **5 April** – Easter Sunday
- **12 April** – Divine Mercy Sunday

April / May

- **13 May** – Our Lady of Fatima
- **14 May** – Ascension of the Lord **(often transferred to 17 May in some dioceses)*
- **24 May** – Pentecost Sunday
- **31 May** – Trinity Sunday

June

- **7 June** – Corpus Christi
- **12 June** – Sacred Heart of Jesus
- **13 June** – Immaculate Heart of Mary
- **24 June** – Nativity of St John the Baptist
- **29 June** – Saints Peter and Paul

July / August

- **16 July** – Our Lady of Mount Carmel
- **6 August** – Transfiguration of the Lord
- **15 August** – Assumption of Mary
- **22 August** – Queenship of Mary

September

- **14 September** – Exaltation of the Holy Cross

- **15 September** – Our Lady of Sorrows
- **29 September** – Feast of the Archangels

October

- **8 October** – Our Lady of the Rosary

November

- **1 November** – All Saints' Day
- **2 November** – All Souls' Day
- **22 November** – Christ the King

December

- **8 December** – Immaculate Conception (Holy Day)
- **12 December** – Our Lady of Guadalupe
- **25 December** – Christmas: Nativity of the Lord
- **30 December** – Feast of the Holy Family