St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Serving with love, striving for excellence

Spring Term Newsletter 29: 16th May 2025

Dear Parents and carers,

This week the Y6 SATs took place. This is a very intense week for children and staff alike. We are all so proud of our children who behaved impeccably and with great maturity working their way through the tests and following all instructions. I felt that they deserved a reward for their efforts, so with all the SATs finished yesterday– the ice cream van made a surprise visit with 99's all round! I would also like to thank all the staff who supported the children during the tests, helped with the early breakfast for the children and ensured all the examination areas were suitably compliant for the tests. Thank you all so much.

Next Friday 23rd May is "Our Lady's Day" when we commemorate Mary, the name sake of our school with a liturgy, crowning of Our Lady and our "St Marys Got Talent" show in the afternoon. I look forward to experiencing the day for the first time

Enjoy the lovely weather this weekend.

Mrs Katharine Sexton Interim Headteacher

First Communion

The following children made their first Holy communion from our school in Our Lady's church. Congratulations to them:

◊ Anush YR3	Kendi YR4
◊ Reginald YR3	Robert YR4
◊ Samara YR3	Olivia YR4
◊ Alexander YR4	Amelia YR5
◊ David YR4	Sussan YR6

Michelle YR4 made Holy Communion in India.

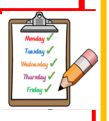
Last week, our Reception children were shocked to see that something curious had occurred in the night.

"It's a mystery!" - Freya/Elm class.

Children explored the 'crime' scene and used clues to figure out who was the perpetrator! Not only did they have fun but they used lots of descriptive language.

Attendance

Overall attendance for this week 95.7%
KS1 class with the highest attendance: Cherry
KS2 class with the highest attendance: Poplar & Oak
Well done to these classes



Sundays Gospel

John 13:

"A new commandment I give onto you, that you love one another as I have loved you"

Prayer for our new Pope

Faithful God,
You guide us on the path of life
and your goodness is our constant companion.
Be with our new Shepherd, Pope Leo XIV,
in his service of the Church.
Fill him with the power of your Spirit,
the peace of your presence
and the compassion of Christ.

May he walk with you,
in wisdom and humility,
and lead us, together with all God's people,
to embody your love for the world.

Amen.

Celebrating our Achievements

House Points

For term 5 thus far:

1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Blue	Orange	Red	Green	Yellow
889	885	870	824	811

Stars of the week

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Isabella	Florence	Ameerah	Harry	Dexter	Lawrence	Whole Class
Perry	Daniel	Aarav	Damien	Olivia M	Andrea	Whole Class

Catholic Social Teaching Awards participation

Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Chisom	Felicity	Rita	Hannah	Zion	Frankie	Eseosa
Ikemsinachi	Jah'zion	Sienna	Munachismo	Eyva	Jada	Liam

In the Nursery, we are watching caterpillars develop into butterflies. Two have already turned into a chrysalis.

Events

23rd May Our Lady's Day

Half term 26th May - 30th May

04th June YR6 Mass

05th June Cherry Class Assembly 09:00am

11th June YR5 Mass

12th June Birch Class Assembly 09:00am

Sports day 27tth June– more details to follow

Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the *faith* you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of *charity* enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*
for the coming of your Kingdom.
May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.
May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout
The earth. To you our God, eternally blessed,
Be glory and praise for ever and ever AMEN

Birthdays

The following children have celebrated a birthday this week or will do so over the Easter break:

Ewaoluwa, Dexter, Papa-Yaw, Victor, Fiifi & Adesewa.