

St Mary's R.C. Primary School Newsletter

Statement To Live By

Next weeks Statement to live by is: 'I try to use words that make the world a better place' Please talk to your child about this.

Lent and Easter Gardens

It's that time of year again to get growing and planning/planting your Easter Gardens! We love seeing the entries each year and they just seem to get better year on year! Please look out for the flyer for more info and ideas. We ask that they are brought into school on Monday 30th March. The winners will be announced in church at the end of mass on Wednesday, 1st April. During the season of Lent, we encourage our children to try and give something up/do something extra to try and help those less fortunate than themselves. Each class will choose their own charity to do fundraising for, look out for more details. Also look out for the annual St. Joseph's Penny Boxes and encourage the children to save those small coins for children who are not as lucky as our children.

Book Day—Friday 6th March

Next Friday, we will be celebrating World book Day in school and invite the children to come to school dressed as their favourite book character. There will be prizes for the best dressed characters. We will spend the day in school doing lots of fun activities to really promote the joy of reading. Please note competition entries for the book character poster should be in by Thursday. See the flyer and message that was sent to parents about this. We look forward to the day!

Mrs Macmillan

After 15 years of service to St. Mary's, Mrs Macmillan retired this week. Mrs Macmillan impacted so many children during her 15 years and was loved by all. We will greatly miss her and are sad to see her go, but we wish her a long, healthy and happy retirement. Goodbye and Good luck Mrs Macmillan and thanks for everything you did for us all!

Upcoming dates for your diary

Tuesday 10th March Year 3 Reconciliation assembly at 9.05am
Wednesday 11th March Year 3 Reconciliation at 6.00pm
Friday 13th March EYFS Mother's Day assembly at 9.05am
Thursday 2nd April—Year 5 Easter Play at 2.00pm, then school closes for Easter.

Girls Football League

The girls football league starts on Monday so we wish our Year 5 and 6 girl footballers the best of luck in their first game.

Parents Evenings—Wednesday 18th and Thursday 19th March

Now we are on the Arbor system, parents can arrange appointments electronically, which should make things much easier. Please see the app message about how to book. If you have any questions or issues, please contact the office. Booking for parents evening opens on Monday 2nd March at 8am.

Church news

There was no class mass this week but Year 5 will lead next weeks class mass on Wednesday at 10.00am. Year 3 children on the Sacramental Programme, please note that the Sacrament of Reconciliation is on **Wednesday 11th March at 6.00pm**. There will be a special Reconciliation assembly for all Year 3 children on Tuesday 10th March at 9:10am. The children will make their First Holy Communion on Sunday 14th June at 11.15am. Thankyou to those families who attended the recent meeting and mass.

Tony Cragg

Tony Cragg, our Chair of Governors is very poorly and we ask you to keep him and his family in your prayers. The children continue to pray for him in school too.

Head Boy/Girl

Well done to all the class champion winners this week and to Year 6 for winning class of the week. We are looking forward to celebrating world book day in school next week and dressing as our favourite book characters. Have a nice weekend everyone.



27TH FEBRUARY 2026

DIARY DATES

Friday 6th March Book day— children can dress up as their favourite book characters.

Tuesday 10th March Year 3 Reconciliation assembly at 9.00am

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MASS TIMES

Services to Sunday 8th March

Monday 2nd March	10am	Mass at St Mary's
Tuesday 3rd March	10am	Mass at St Patrick's
Wednesday 4th March	10am	School mass at St Mary's all parishioners welcome
Thursday 8th March	10am	Requiem mass St Marys -Mary Clarkson
	1.30pm	School mass Alice Ingham all parishioners welcome
Friday 6th March	10am	Mass at St Mary's
Saturday 7th March	10-10.30am	Confessions at St Mary's
	12pm	Mass at St Patrick's followed by confessions
	2pm	Filipino Mass
Sunday 8th March	9.30am	Mass at St Patrick's
	11.15am	Mass at St Mary's
	4.00pm	Stations of the Cross St Mary's

AWARDS

Class Champion Awards

Nursery - Beatrice
Reception - Jessica
Year 1 - Emily
Year 2 - Darcie
Year 3 - Arya -Rose
Year 4 - Freddie
Year 5 - Chardanice
Year 6 - Violet

Winning House this week:
St David (Happy St David's day too!

Class of the week: Year 6

