



# St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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*"To Grow strong in God's Love as we Learn, Care and Pray."*

## *A Message from Mrs Yuen...*

Dear Parents and Carers,

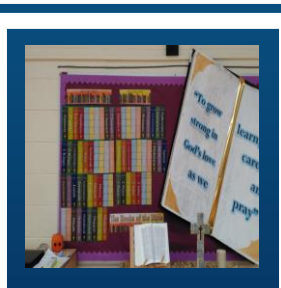
It has been a very enjoyable week, seeing the children giving their best and making the most of all the opportunities. They really are a credit to you. This week our Year 4 and 5 children have been filming their part in the virtual choir. We really can't wait to share this with you soon.

We also had the visiting pantomime in school; the children were enthralled with the production of The Wizard of Oz. Our Reception class has a visit from Banana Brain Fun Show and their chuckles could be heard in the front office! It certainly has been a fun, productive week!

Thank you for your support over the change to the end of term date. Hopefully this will provide everyone with a much-needed buffer to enjoy this festive season.

Have a wonderful weekend

*Warmest Regards  
Mrs Yuen*



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## Term Dates

### Virtual Choir – St Mary’s Raise the Roof

For the last three weeks, the children of Years 4 and 5 have been rehearsing two Christmas songs, which will form part of a Virtual Concert with the other Catholic Schools in Northampton.

‘Colours of Christmas’ a beautiful modern carol by the renowned composer John Rutter, features the children singing in two-part harmonies and will be performed exclusively by our children. The lullaby carol has an enchanting simple melody, which evokes a touching sense of the longing for the joys of the festive season and the birth of the special baby and was sung beautifully by the children. In contrast, the mass choirs of all four schools will be edited together to perform the Band Aid hit ‘Do They Know It’s Christmas?’ Originally released as a charity single in 1984 it saw worldwide success in raising awareness and financial relief for the victims of Ethiopian famine. In today’s world, the lyrics make us stop and think of those less fortunate than ourselves. Information about how to view the concert will be released as soon as the recordings have been edited.



#### Autumn Term

Term Starts:

Thursday 3 September 2020  
Term Ends Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

#### Half Term:

26 - 30 October 2020

Term Ends:

Friday 18 December 2020

#### Spring Term

Term Starts:

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2021

#### Half Term:

Monday 15 - 19 February 2021

Term Ends:

Friday 26 March 2021

#### Summer Term

Term Starts:

Monday 12 April 2021

#### Half Term:

31 May - 4 June 2021

Term Ends:

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2021

### The Wizard of Oz

#### ‘We’re off to see the wizard’

The children loved their annual visit from M&M Theatrical Productions and their cinematic version of The Wizard of Oz.



Reception enjoyed a visit from the Banana Brain Fun Show



### Christmas Jumper Day

Thank you for all your donations



We raised a total of £116 for  
CAFOD World Gifts

### Christmas Closure

Reminder to all parents - School closes on Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> December to all pupils. Thank you all once again for your continued support in following the guidance and keeping our community safe.

### Week 2 – The Candle of Peace



God of power and mercy, open our hearts in welcome.  
Remove things that hinder us from receiving Christ with Joy  
so that we may share his wisdom and become one with him  
when he comes into glory, for he lives and reigns with you  
and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever.

*Amen*

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