



St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Lent Term 2024 Newsletter 2



"With Christ as our guide, we let our light shine."

A Message from Mrs Yuen...

Dear Parents and Carers,

The days have been busy with activity. On Tuesday some of our children attended the Boccia competition at Benham. We congratulated them today in assembly. They demonstrated excellent team work skills and reached 4th place out of all the schools.

Next week, the RSPB have their annual Big Garden Birdwatch. Please do have a look to find out how you and your family can be involved. The website <https://www.rspb.org.uk/whats-happening/big-garden-birdwatch> has lots of ideas to get families enjoying the outdoors, watching and identifying the types of birds they can see.

On this outdoor theme, our Eco Council are launching a Design a Bug Hotel Competition for all children to have a go at. Please see the attached poster. The closing date is soon on Wednesday 22nd January. Everyone who enters will receive a certificate of entry. As the weather is cold this may be a fun weekend indoor activity! All entries to be handed in to your child's class teacher.

This year, the Catholic Church is celebrating a Jubilee or Holy Year, which is a special year of forgiveness and reconciliation. A Jubilee Year is celebrated by the Church every 25 years and this year, the theme is Pilgrims of Hope. For schools, the official launch is 24th January 2025 and schools are invited to join together as pilgrims of hope, pledging to work together for God's kingdom of justice, peace and love. We look forward to sharing with you our plans and events that will run throughout this special time.

We hope you enjoy your weekend.

Best wishes,
Mrs Yuen

Aspiration-Resilience-Awareness-Compassion



History in Year 2



As historians, the year 2 class were challenged to place events in history in chronological order. They were very adept at ordering the historical events and making a timeline.

Key Dates

Lent Term

6th January- 4th April

Half term Break

17th – 23rd February 2025

Easter Holidays

5th April -21st April 2025

Summer Term

22nd April- 18th July 2025

Bank Holiday 5th May

Half term Break

26th May- 1st June 2025

Last day of school year

18th July 2025

Big Garden Birdwatch

24-26 January 2025

RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch



Have lots of fun together using the link below

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/whats-happening/big-garden-birdwatch>

Year 4 Mass at Nazareth House Chapel



On Tuesday Year 4 attended Mass at Nazareth House Chapel. They were joined by some of the residents. The children were complimented on their participation and reverence.

Reading Buddies – Year 6 and Reception



Design a Bug Hotel



You are invited to enter a
Competition.

**On A4 paper design a
Bug Hotel.**

**The winning entry will
be made and placed in
our school garden.**

The Eco Council will judge the entries and
and certificates will be awarded
to the all entries.

Closing date Wednesday 22nd January