



St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Advent Term 2025 Newsletter 2



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

A Message from Mrs Yuen...

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been a busy week in school as the children are becoming more familiar with their new year group and are experiencing the full curriculum. Year 5 have begun their swimming sessions and outdoor learning has commenced in Year 1. It's always a joy seeing the buzz of new learning!

In addition to our meet the teacher sessions on Tuesday 30th September and Wednesday 1st September, we have our Parents' Evening Consultations. Which will provide another opportunity for parents to meet with their child's class teacher to find out how they are setting into the new academic year. On Monday bookings for these consultations will open and close on the following Monday 29th September. Please do book your appointment time.

It is the season of creation, a time where we reflect on and give thanks for all that God has created. As part of this, we will be having a non-uniform day on Monday 6th October in exchange for donations for the Cathedral Food bank, which supports families in our community. More details will follow.

Please also see attached an invitation for children in year 3 upwards to join the **Cathedral Junior Choir**. Mrs Campana, who the children know well is leading this at the cathedral on Wednesdays. This is a marvellous opportunity for our pupils, especially as we have so many enthusiastic singers. Please do consider this for your child.

Best Wishes
Mrs Yuen

Aspiration-Resilience-Awareness-Compassion



Scientific Exploration in Years 5+6



In Year 5, as part of their Stargazer project, children have been exploring relative distances of the planets. In Year 4 they have been carrying out investigations to identify the effects of tooth decay from different types of drinks. They used eggs to represent the teeth and put them in the drinks, vinegar, milk, Pepsi, Coffee, water and orange juice.



Key Dates

Advent term

3rd September- 19th December 2025

30th September – Parent consultations

1st October – Parent consultations

7th October – Librarians visit to Thornton Literary Festival

10th October – Diocesan Mass in Dunstable

27th October- 2nd November 2025 -Half term

7th November – Individual Photographs

Friday 21st November – School INSET DAY

Lent term

6th January – 27th March 2026

Half term

16th -22nd February 2026

Pentecost term

13th April- 17th July 2026

Half Term

25th-31st May 2026

Our new Mission Team



The Mission team work with Mrs McElhatton our Chaplain helping our school grow as a community of faith. They will soon be commissioned in role by Bishop David at the Diocesan Schools' Mass in October.

Outdoor Learning in Year 1



Children in year 1 have been enjoying outdoor learning sessions. They have been exploring the habitats around the school. They have found a variety of different insects in various areas.

Year 2 children on their field study visit around the local area



This term the children are being 'Street Detectives' They are researching the features of the local area through environment fieldwork Aerial images ,maps and routes.

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Join the Cathedral Junior Choir

Do you love to sing?


Want to be part of a fun and friendly group?

Come and be a part of the Northampton
Cathedral Junior Choir!

 Rehearsals every **Wednesday at 4.15 PM**

 **St. Thomas Centre (NN2 6AG)**

 Open to children ages 7 to 12

 No experience needed – just bring your
enthusiasm!

Sing, shine, and make new friends!



Complete this short form if you're
interested >>>>

Or send an email to
choirs@northamptondiocese.org

