



St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Advent Term 2025 Newsletter 4



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

A Message from Mrs Yuen...

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we welcomed back Mr Comer who has been away on sabbatical. It was lovely seeing the children's reaction where they first saw him on Wednesday.

Thank you to all of you attending parent consultations this week. It was an important opportunity to share with you, how your child has settled back into their new classes and their academic targets for the year. The teachers found it very useful and I hope you did too. Over 90% of parents attended which is wonderful and demonstrates a high community commitment -thank you.

Thank you also to those completing the parent survey. I will let you know the findings once these have been analysed.

I hope you have all received your child's Christmas card art work today. Please note that if you wish to purchase cauliflower cards or gifts, orders need to be placed online and the artwork needs to be returned by next Friday. Full details are on the letter sent out earlier.

A reminder that on Monday we are having a Harvest non-uniform day. Please do support us by bringing in an item of food. Lets all work together to support those in need of our help. Full details are on the flyer attached.

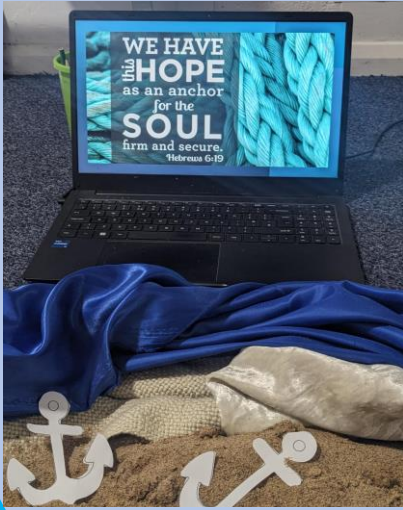
Have a wonderful weekend

Best Wishes
Mrs Yuen

Aspiration-Resilience-Awareness-Compassion



Chaplain led prayer reflections



In the Marian room this term we have been reflecting on Jesus being the anchor in our lives (Hebrews 6:19). The children have held small iron weights to understand what an anchor feels like and how heavy it must be. We have been thinking about what job an anchor does and how Jesus anchors our hearts. That he calls us to listen to him and follow him in all parts of our lives.

Key Dates

Advent term

3rd September- 19th December 2025

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

14th November- Y2/3/+4 Cinema Visit 'Sloth lane'

19th November – Reception/ Year 1 Cinema Visit 'Tiddler and Tabby McTat'

26th November – Year 5+6 Cinema Visit 'Kensuke's Kingdom'

Friday 21st November – School closed -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

Bible retelling with Mr Williams



Thank you to Mr Williams a regular visitor to the school. He retold the story of Nehemiah and how he rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem - showing great determination and resilience during this task. The retelling included 'Fuzzy felt' images and the children were enthralled.

Harvest Collection



Today our Eco Stewards harvested fruits from our prayer garden. Please remember to support our Harvest Collection on Monday with donations for the food bank.

Girls' Rugby Festival



A group of our girls joined with other schools across Northampton to play in a rugby festival. The girls won all but one of their matches drawing in the final match. Making them the champions! Their excellent sportsmanship was commended by other coaches. Well done St Mary's!





*Giving thanks
this*

HARVEST

NON- UNIFORM DAY
MONDAY 6TH OCTOBER IN
EXCHANGE FOR FOOD DONATIONS
FOR THE CATHEDRAL FOODBANK

Suggested donations include:

- **Tinned tuna**
- **tinned meat**
- **Jam**
- **Spreads**
- **Tinned vegetables**
- **Tinned fruit**
- **Tinned soup**
- **Tinned custard/ Rice pudding**

“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me.”

Matthew 25:35-36

**Together we can make a real
difference**