

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

A Message from Mrs Yuen...

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to everyone who attended Parents' Evening this week. These meetings are always a valuable opportunity for teachers and parents to share information about the children's progress and learning. We greatly appreciate your continued support in working together to help our children achieve their very best.

I would also like to thank families for the wonderful effort that went into the costumes for World Book Day. The creativity on display was fantastic and the day itself was a tremendous success, enjoyed by children and staff alike. It was a lovely celebration of reading across the whole school.

This week our Year 6 pupils also received notification of their secondary school places. We hope that families are pleased with the offers they have received and we look forward to supporting the children as they prepare for this important next step in their education.

Looking ahead to next week, Year 5 will be visiting St Thomas Becket School to watch a performance of High School Musical. On Thursday, our Year 6 children will attend Mass at Nazareth House. We will end the week on Friday with a non-uniform day in support of Mary's Meals as part of our Lenten charity work. We kindly ask for a donation of at least £1. Your generosity will help support this wonderful charity and make a real difference to children in need during this Lenten season.

Finally, please remember to check the school website and diary dates for information about forthcoming events, as we have lots happening over the coming weeks.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Kind regards,

**Best Wishes
Mrs Yuen**

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Increasing Biodiversity in the school grounds



Thank you to Mr Comer who has helped us plant fruit trees in the school garden. We hope to create a mini orchard. This week our Eco-Stewards were helping to create a 'Wildflower Meadow', by spreading seeds along the bottom area of our school field. We are hoping to attract lots of butterflies and insects to this area of our school grounds.

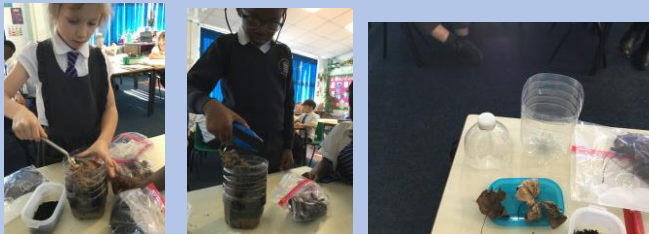
Key Dates

Half Term:

Monday 16th February 2026-Friday 20th February 2026

5th March – World Book Day
10th March- Year 5 visit to STBS- High School Musical
6-12th March – British Science Week
12th March – Year 6 Mass at Nazareth House
13th March- Non-Uniform Day in support of Lenten Charities
16th March – Rise Theatre whole school event day
18th March – Lent Reflection at the Cathedral. KS2 invited to participate as part of the choir.
19th March- Whole School Mass
20th March – Lent Bake Sale in support of Mary's Meals
27th March – 10p challenge in support of Mary's meals
27th March - End of term

Year 2 Scientists Explore the World Beneath our Feet



Year 2 have been busy developing their scientific skills by creating their very own wormery! They worked together to build a layered wormery so they could observe how worms live and move through soil. The children carefully added layers of soil and sand before introducing the worms to their new home. They then began making close observations and asking thoughtful scientific questions.

Book Character Competition



Well done to all the children who entered our World Book Day Character Competition! The entries showed fantastic creativity. It was wonderful to see the imagination and effort that went into each creation. A big congratulations to all our entrants for their brilliant ideas and enthusiasm!

World Book Day 2026



The day began with a mysterious crime scene discovery — chaos had erupted in the Three Bears' cottage and all the clues pointed to Goldilocks! Throughout the day, the children became detectives, investigating what had happened and gathering evidence about the events in the famous story. Pupils took part in a range of engaging activities. There was wonderful artwork, drama activities where children acted out scenes, and plenty of discussion as they explored the characters and events from different points of view for some classes this included a dramatic trial of Goldilocks, where children carefully considered the evidence and debated whether she was guilty or not!

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LENTEN REFLECTION

Based on the Stations of the Cross

You are invited to join pupils from the Northampton OLICAT Schools on their Lenten journey:
Take time to be with Jesus to relive His suffering through the eyes of our young people in reflection, prayer and music.



Wednesday 18th March 2026

5.00pm - 6.00pm
FREE TO ATTEND

**The Catholic Cathedral of Our Lady Immaculate & St Thomas of
Canterbury
NN2 6AG**





WHO WE ARE

Rhino Sports Academy is an Ofsted registered, innovative coaching and childcare company dedicated to raising the standard of teaching and learning in local schools. We're excited to announce that we'll be partnering with your school this Spring Term! Our team of enthusiastic and passionate coaches are committed to bringing energy, expertise and enthusiasm to every session.

Joining Rhino Sports Academy gives students the chance to thrive in a fun, skill-building environment where they develop leadership skills, embrace healthy competition, discover new abilities, and grow their existing interests and talents. We're also thrilled to offer families more flexibility by accepting multiple childcare vouchers as well as Tax-Free Childcare.

WHAT WE OFFER AT ST MARY'S

- MONDAY - Dodgeball KS2 - 8 - 8.45 AM
- MONDAY - Gymnastics - 3.15 - 4.15 PM
- WEDNESDAY - Arts and Crafts - 3.15 - 4.15 PM
- FRIDAY - STEM Club - 8 - 8.45 AM
- FRIDAY - Football KS2 - 3.15 - 4.15 PM

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