



St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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

A Message from Mrs Yuen...

Dear Parents and Carers,

We come to the end of another busy and enjoyable week. One of the standout moments was our recent visit from a theatre company, with their performance of Pinocchio. The performance was lively, engaging, and full of humour, keeping pupils of all ages entertained. It was a fantastic opportunity for the children to experience live theatre and bring a classic story to life in a memorable way.

In addition, our Year 6 pupils took part in a special workshop with the actors. During this session, they explored characterisation and staging techniques, gaining a deeper understanding of how performances are created. The workshop was both educational and inspiring, and the children thoroughly enjoyed the chance to learn directly from the professionals.

We have now entered the month of May, a special time in which we honour Mary, who is also our school's patron.

On Thursday, we will be holding our annual May Procession. We kindly ask that each child brings in a flower which they will hold as we process around the grounds. These will then be placed by Mary in our special grotto in front of the school, as the youngest and oldest child crown Mary, Queen of the May.

The school photographer will be in school on Friday 8th May to take class photographs. Year 6 pupils will be changing their PE day to ensure they are looking smart in their uniforms for their photographs.

With the Bank Holiday weekend upon us, I hope you all enjoy some well-deserved family time. We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on **Tuesday 5th May**.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Best Wishes
Mrs Yuen

Aspiration-Resilience-Awareness-Compassion



Our Living Wall



We are also very pleased to now have a beautiful living wall our playground. This has been a collaborative effort, with children from across the year groups helping to design and plant it. The wall is filled with a variety of herbs, and it has already become a lovely feature in our outdoor space as well as a valuable learning resource.

Key Dates

- 28th April** - M+M Productions: Pinocchio Theatre performance (Whole School)
- 4th May** – Bank Holiday
- 7th May** - May Procession (11am)
- 7th May** -Y3 Mass at Nazareth House
- 8th May**- Class Photographs
- Week Commencing 11th May**- Year 6 SATs Week
- 2nd June** – Y3,Y4,+Y5 Visit to Space Centre
- 10th-12th June**- Year 6 Residential -Alton Castle
- 16th June** - Sports Day
- 23rd June**- Reception/ Year 1 Visit to Salcey Forest
- 2nd July** - Year 2 Grace Darling / Pirates Workshop in school
- 3rd July** - Cricket Whole school event
- 6th July** - Transition Day
- 9th July** Leavers' Party
- 16th July** - Whole School Mass
- 17th July** - Last day of term/ Leavers' Assembly

Fun in the Sun!



The recent sunny weather has certainly lifted spirits, and it has been a joy to see the children making the most of the fine conditions during their break times and outdoor learning.

Eco Team Assembly



Thank you to the Eco team for leading our Celebration of the Word this week about being Stewards of God's creation. They discussed all the new additions to our grounds for example plants, living wall and our herb garden. All of which will enhance the environment with colour and wildlife and how we can care for these.

Pinocchio – Theatre Production comes to St Mary's



We were delighted to welcome back M+M Productions for a wonderful performance of *Pinocchio*. The children thoroughly enjoyed the show and were captivated from start to finish. They were especially fascinated by the magical moment when the puppet became a "real boy," which sparked plenty of excitement and discussion afterwards.



Poster competition

Design a poster promoting active travel
to school.

Your poster should promote Walking, Cycling or Scooting to school
rather than using a car.



Entries to be handed in to the school office by Friday 15th May