

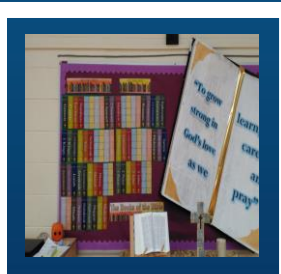


# St Mary's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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*"To Grow strong in God's Love as we Learn, Care and Pray."*

## *A Message from Mrs Yuen...*

Dear Parents and Carers,

Another busy week here at St Mary's, it has been a joy seeing the children focused on their learning and thinking of new ways to 'Let their light shine'.

Thank you for your support with the catch-up sessions they have begun again and are proving very successful in providing small group learning support.

During this week we have also had our parent consultations. The teachers have enjoyed celebrating the children's achievements and sharing next steps in learning.

Though we still have to operate under restrictions, we are finding different ways to keep learning fun. Next week Year 3 have a local area visit and we are currently planning a covid safe sports day for June.

You may have noticed we have had our gate access to site refurbished. In order to make it easier for parents to pick up from after school clubs the gate is operating on a timer.

As we approach a Bank Holiday weekend, I wish you all a happy short break and we look forward to seeing the children on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May.

*Best Wishes*

*Mrs Yuen*

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## Term Dates

### Autumn Term

Term Starts:

Thursday 3 September 2020  
Term Ends Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October

### Half Term:

26 - 30 October 2020

Term Ends:

Friday 18 December 2020

### Spring Term

Term Starts:

Tuesday 5th January 2021

### Half Term:

Monday 15 - 19 February 2021

Term Ends:

Friday 26 March 2021

### Summer Term

Term Starts:

Monday 12 April 2021

### Half Term:

31 May - 4 June 2021

Term Ends:

Friday 16th July 2021

## After Schools Clubs

We have a wide range of enrichment activities on offer. If your child is interested in any of our clubs, please do contact the office.

### Before school clubs

#### Monday

Multi-skills KS1

#### Tuesday

Hotshots

#### Wednesday

Gymnastics

### Catch-up sessions

**Wednesday** – Years 1, 2, 3 & 6

**Thursday** – Years 3, 4 & 5

### After school clubs

#### Monday

Multi-skills KS2

#### Tuesday

Tennis KS2

NTFC Sports club Year 3 & 4

#### Wednesday

Gymnastics

NTFC Sports club Year 1 & 2

#### Friday

Multi-skills KS2

## Woodland Trust

Year 4 have been busy planting trees and bushes kindly donated by Woodland Trust.



So far, we have planted Wild Cherry and Rowan. We also have Silver Birch, Hawthorn, Blackthorn and more Wild Cherry trees to plant. The children have really enjoyed this activity and are watering them daily.

**Well done Year 4.**

## Henry VIII

This week Year 5 have been researching the six wives of Henry VIII.

As well as finding out facts about their lives, they have also looked at Tudor portraits. They completed portraits of each wife following the style of the original artist.



**Amazing work – well done**

## The Big Ask

'The Big Ask': The new Children's Commissioner for England, Dame Rachel de Souza, has launched The Big Ask – the largest ever consultation with children aged 4 to 17 in England. It aims to find out children's concerns and aspirations about the future, so that we can put children at the heart of our country's recovery from the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. You can support your child in completing this survey. Parents, care leavers and those working with children are also invited to complete the adult survey to share their views about the future for children and young people today, and what they think is holding young people back. The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve. The survey can be found at: <https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/thebigask/>

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