



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

### A Message from Mrs Yuen...

Dear Parents and Carers,

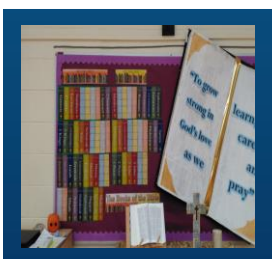
On Monday our head pupils together with Miss Marum and myself attended the Diocesan Mass in Dunstable. We were joined by representatives from all the Catholic schools in our diocese. Bishop David celebrated Mass and it was a wonderful occasion. Our children were excellent ambassadors for the school. They received a special sapling tree. Which was blessed by Bishop David. This is a symbol of our support for God's creation and caring for our world.

Also, this week our Junior Duke participants received their journal. We are thrilled that so many children have joined this scheme. We have 67 Junior Duke children in the school. I will keep sending them updates and encouragement to continue through the challenges. There are so many new life skills to learn and some will require persistence and determination. Good luck to these children- you will do really well, I'm sure.

Next week we have more exciting opportunities happening. On Tuesday Rise Theatre, will be coming to St. Mary's the children will experience lots of drama, singing and art based around the theme of "God's planet." We can't wait to share the news of how it went with you.

Have a wonderful weekend.

*Best Wishes*  
*Mrs Yuen*



## Term Dates

### Autumn Term

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September -  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October

### Staff Inset Days

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October  
Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October

### Half Term

25<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> October 2021

### Upcoming Events

'Rise Theatre' - 19<sup>th</sup> October  
'Into Film Festival' Cinema  
Experiences -  
16<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> November

## Diocesan Mass



Our Year 6 Pupil Leadership Team represented St Mary's beautifully at the Diocesan Mass for schools on Monday at St Mary's Church Dunstable. They met with St Gregory's Pupil Leadership team too.

Bishop David celebrated Mass for all the schools in the Diocese of Northampton. In his homily, he encouraged us to reflect on the world God has created for us all, reminding the children they are agents change: climate change has gone from being a fringe issue to a global priority in recent years.

## Outdoor Learning



Some of our Year 1 children enjoyed a wonderful walk to Dallington park this week. The sun was shining for us as they collected resources as part of our outdoor learning project.

## Beat the Street



Go Wild  
Week

There will be double points on the boxes in green/blue spaces this weekend. There is also a scavenger hunt activity for you to win your own 'Beattie'

**JOIN THE FUN!**

## Rise & Shine After School Club



We are delighted to announce that our After School will be opening from Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November. Opening times are 3:15pm – 5:30pm. Registration forms are available on the school website or from the school office.

**Aspiration-Resilience-Awareness-Compassion**

