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Deputy Headteacher: Brad Page  
Date: 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026



**School Attendance Our Target:- 96%**  
Attendance Award this week goes to:-  
**YEAR 1**

### Message from the Headteacher

Dear Parent/Carers,  
Thank you for support with our fundraising this week - cake sale for children and during Wednesday's parents' meetings as well as coffee/tea in the mornings. We have raised an amazing £220.  
It was good to see so many of you at our parents' meetings this week, during these sessions parents were invited to sign our home-school agreement. If you were unable to attend then the agreement will be sent home next week, have a read through and return the signed form to your child's teacher. If you have any questions, please do contact your class teacher- thank you.  
Warmest wishes, Alison Ternan

### Diary Dates

#### March 2026

- 5<sup>th</sup> World Book Day
- 10<sup>th</sup> Year 4 trip – Winchester
- 10<sup>th</sup> 9am Coffee morning – MHST
- 17<sup>th</sup> Year 4 Saints celebration day
- 19<sup>th</sup> Year 2 Great Fire of London Day (in school)
- 24<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Year 4 Last Supper reflection (y4 parents invited)
- 25<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Year 5 Garden of Gethsemane reflection (y5 parents invited)
- 26<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Year 6 Crucifixion reflection (y6 parents invited)
- 27<sup>th</sup> TERM ENDS

#### April 2026

- 30<sup>th</sup> March– 10<sup>th</sup> EASTER HOLIDAYS
- Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Back to school
- 14<sup>th</sup> 2.30pm Year 5 Parent Meeting CARE
- 16<sup>th</sup> 9am Mass – Easter
- 27<sup>th</sup> Year 3 swimming lessons start (10 Sessions – Monday pm)

#### May 2026

- 15<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> Year 6 residential – PGL
- 19<sup>th</sup> 9am Mass for Our Lady
- 20<sup>th</sup> 9am Procession for Our Lady
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Class Photos
- 25<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> MAY HALF TERM

#### June 2026

- 1<sup>st</sup> June – INSET day
- 2<sup>nd</sup> June Back to school
- 13<sup>th</sup> SATURDAY – sponsored fun run at school (details to follow)
- 16<sup>th</sup> – Sports Day
- 22<sup>nd</sup> –26<sup>th</sup> Year 4 residential – Stubbington
- 26<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> – year 6 bikability
- 30<sup>th</sup> – Author Visit

#### July 2026

- 15<sup>th</sup> Year 6 performance (year 6 families only)
- 17<sup>th</sup> 3pm Year 6 water fight/pizza
- 20<sup>th</sup> Year 6 trip Paultons Park
- 21<sup>st</sup> 9am Mass
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Year 6 leavers assembly



**LENT 2026** On the 18th February we began the season of Lent - a period of 40 days before Easter of reflection and preparation - before the celebrations of Easter.

### Stars of the Week

|        |         |
|--------|---------|
| YEAR R | Nala    |
| YEAR 1 | Oliver  |
| YEAR 2 | Hallie  |
| YEAR 3 | Aaron   |
| YEAR 4 | Musawir |
| YEAR 5 | Max     |
| YEAR 6 | Lucy    |

### REMINDER:-

Please do not email or advise through your child's SEESAW account if your child is absent from school.  
Call the school office on: 02392583979 by 9am.

You can leave a message on the answer-machine.



Don't forget **WORLD BOOK DAY** is back on the 5<sup>th</sup> March.

Come to school dressed as your favourite book character!.



**LIBRARY DAYS**

|           |           |
|-----------|-----------|
| Reception | Tuesday   |
| Year 1    | Wednesday |
| Year 2    | Thursday  |
| Year 3    | Tuesday   |
| Year 4    | Monday    |
| Year 5    | Friday    |
| Year 6    | Friday    |

Please note:-  
Children are unable to take out a new book if they have already a book registered out in their name.

**PE DAYS**

|           |                    |
|-----------|--------------------|
| Reception | Friday             |
| Year 1    | Tuesday/Friday     |
| Year 2    | Wednesday/Thursday |
| Year 3    | Thursday/Friday    |
| Year 4    | Tuesday/Wednesday  |
| Year 5    | Monday             |
| Year 6    | Monday             |

**PE Lessons are compulsory!**  
Please make sure your child has their PE kit in school.

**Guinea Pig Timetable**

|        |          |
|--------|----------|
| Year R | 15/12/25 |
| Year 6 | 05/01/26 |
| Year 5 | 12/01/26 |
| Year 4 | 19/01/26 |
| Year 3 | 26/01/26 |
| Year 2 | 02/02/26 |
| Year 1 | 09/02/26 |

During your child's class week, if you have any "left over vegetables/fruit" we would be grateful for the donations.

**School Building Fund**

Thank you to those of you who have sent in this terms Building Fund. If you still need to make payment we accept cash at the school office or you can pay through SCOPAY. Thanks

**SCHOOL MEALS WEEK COMMENCING 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2026 Week 3**

| DAY OF THE WEEK | OPTION 1 RED          | OPTION 2 GREEN        | OPTION 3 BLUE |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| MONDAY          | Cheese & Tomato Pizza | Potato & Lentil Curry | Tomato Pasta  |
| TUESDAY         | Beef Bolognese        | Veggie Bolognese      | Jacket Potato |
| WEDNESDAY       | Roast Gammon          | Roast Quorn           | Tomato Pasta  |
| THURSDAY        | Chicken & Veg Pie     | West African Rice     | Jacket Potato |
| FRIDAY          | Fish Fingers          | Quorn Dippers         | Tomato Pasta  |

*Hot dishes are served with two vegetables and freshly baked bread.*

**PTA News - We are busy preparing for events for the Spring/Summer !**



**Summer Fair – 4<sup>th</sup> July**

Parents, Carers, Grandparents, Anyone & Everyone we need your help - for the biggest fundraiser of the year!

Pop along to our meeting on the **9<sup>th</sup> March at 3.10pm** in the School Hall.

**Whether you can help a little or a lot – WE NEED YOU!!**

16<sup>th</sup> April – Easter Bonnet Parade

17<sup>th</sup> April – School Disco

*More information to follow.*

*Hope to see you all on the 9<sup>th</sup> March!!*

**SCHOOL NURSE VISITING ST MARY'S**

**School Nurse will be in on the 5<sup>th</sup> March** to carry out the **National Child Measurement Programme** for children in **Year 6 and Year R Only**.

Year R children will also have a Vision check.

Information was sent out to Parents/Carers by email 11<sup>th</sup> Dec.

If you are happy for your child to take part there is nothing for you to do.

If you wish to discuss, call the school.



## St Mary's has been fundraising for Harper, this week!!

We have been raising funds for Harper, she is the sister of Isla-Mae (Yr6) & Logan (Yr 1) through Coffee and Cake Sales this week. "Thank You" to Lennox's (Yr 6) Mum for making and donating all the cakes & cookies ... and to you all for your support. Please see below a letter from Harper's Mum. We have raised over £220.00 so far.

### *Message from Ellen (Harper's Mum)*

Harper was born on 14/04/2024 at full term via emergency caesarean due to a placental abruption. As a result, she suffered a loss of oxygen and blood flow to her brain at birth. Harper required resuscitation, two major blood transfusions, and 72 hours of therapeutic cooling.

She was later diagnosed with severe Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy (HIE), widespread brain damage, and cerebral palsy.

Harper now relies on full-time support for all of her daily care needs. She is non-mobile and depends on extensive specialist input and equipment to support her complex needs.

Our goal is to raise funds to give Harper access to treatment options overseas, including stem cell therapy and Cytotron therapy in Mexico. From the beginning, we were told to "wait and see" what Harper's outcome would be. But knowing there are treatments available that could potentially improve her quality of life, waiting is simply not an option for us.

Harper deserves the very best chance at life. We want to do everything possible to help her reach her fullest potential and achieve as much independence as she can. We truly believe these vital treatments could make a meaningful difference in her future.

As a family, we are incredibly grateful for the support we have received through the fundraising efforts at St Mary's. The coffee mornings and the kindness shown by Hannah in providing treats to sell have meant more to us than we can express.

**To all the staff, parents, and everyone who has donated or supported us — thank you.**

**Your generosity, compassion, and encouragement mean the world to our family.**

**We will never be able to fully express our gratitude.**

