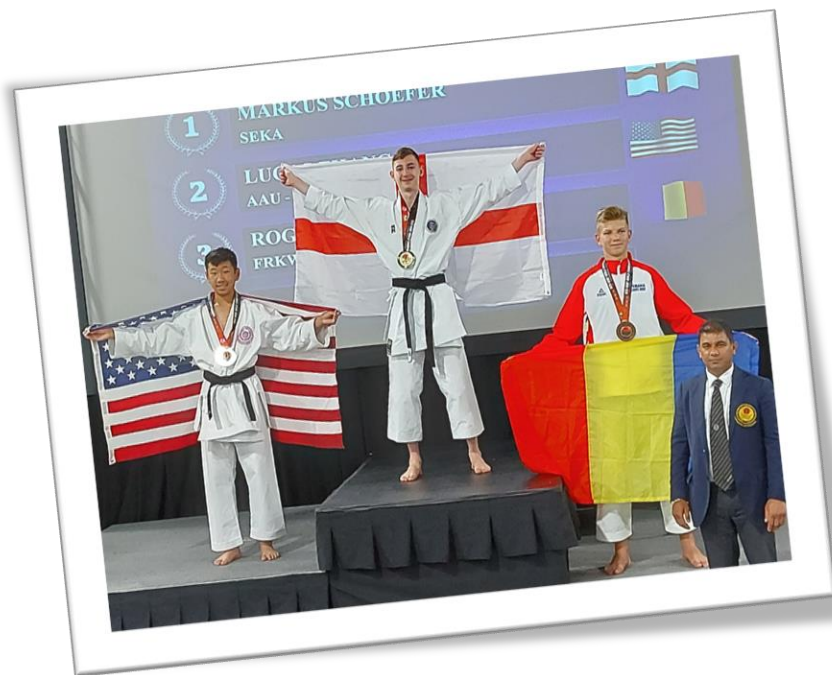


St Mary's Catholic School



Shine

Welcome to the final edition of Shine for this academic year. Once again, it has been wonderful to read about so many of the amazing achievements of our students. The wider curriculum life of the school has been truly vibrant this year, with so many different clubs, trips and events on offer and it has been fantastic to see so many of our students, from Year 7 through to Year 13, taking full advantage of these opportunities! As you will read, our students have achieved great things across every subject area, as well as taking part in many opportunities for spiritual development, sport, drama, music and art. Many students have also taken part in charitable fundraising, as well as given service to others. We are so proud of these accomplishments. We even now have a double World Champion in our school—many congratulations to Markus! Finally, a huge congratulations to each and every one of our students for their superb contribution and efforts this academic year. They continue to be an absolute credit to the school. Thank you also to our excellent and hard-working team of support staff and teachers. I wish everyone a lovely summer break with their families and friends. Best wishes, Miss Patterson, Headteacher.



In July 2022, Markus Schoefer, Year 10, was selected to compete on behalf of the SEKA England National Karate Squad in the 10th World Union of Karate-Do Federations World Championships in Fort Lauderdale in the USA.

Markus competed in this tournament and won two events and therefore is a double world champion! Markus (pictured centre) won a gold medal in both his individual and team event. An absolutely outstanding accomplishment and we now have a double world champion in our school! Huge congratulations Markus!

YEAR 7

It has been a real privilege to have watched Year 7 grow and develop into fine young people; a group of students of whom I am immensely proud. It has been fantastic to receive the compliments and other positive comments from a vast array of staff regarding our Year Group, as well as celebrating the Form Tutor, Subject Champion and Whole School Awards with the Year Group recently.

As we approach the end of the year, I hope Year 7 begin to reflect on how far they have come and how much they have matured.

Year 7, you will no longer be the youngest in the school come September. I would like you to think about how you can help our new Year 7s when they join the school. What guidance can you give them? How can you help them to be as successful as you have been?

The Year Group's transition to St Mary's has been something they have completed with great determination, enthusiasm, and success. I have no doubt their progression into Year 8 will be equally as impressive. I hope the Year Group continue to show commitment to their studies, and enthusiasm for all the extra-curricular activities we have on offer here at St. Mary's, as well as continuing to treat everyone with the respect they wish to be treated with themselves.

I hope you all have a fantastic Summer. Enjoy yourselves and stay safe!

Miss Fawcett (Head of Year 7)

Mrs Howarth's Year 7 Maths class

Practised using tracing paper to create beautiful symmetrical drawings of insects, using the artist Alex Konahin as inspiration.



Alexa-Jay Cartwright

Biology

Always tries very hard in lessons

Gabrielle Gudel

PE

Shows exceptional attitude and effort in all PE lessons, and extra-curricular club this half

Annabelle Cowlam

7I

Excellent contribution to our Form Class Mass!



Thomas Wynne

7I

For creating and delivering an excellent reading during our Form Class Mass!

Hailey Benjamin

Art

Wonderful attitude in Art lessons and in Art club.





Filip Donoval
Maths

For making excellent progress
this year and for asking great
questions!



Jack Elliott
Art

For being so hard working
and always staying
positive.

Maddie Hogg
History

For making excellent
progress in her
assessments this year

Nathaniel Gallagher
Geography

For Brilliant effort all year.

Jessica Butler
Geography

For having a great attitude and
working hard.



Keira Borwick
Biology
For showing
excellent effort

Christopher Hargreaves
D&T

Great progress with practical work
in textiles. Well done

Dominic Johnson
PE

Excellent progress achieved
throughout the year. Well
done.

Olivia Spurr
7R

For excellent fundraising
efforts

Isobel Richardson
English

Excellent contribution to lessons
throughout the year and a very
insightful final piece of writing.

Archie Gray
English

For writing a fantastic
gothic story opening and
confidently read aloud!



Isobel Richardson
Drama

For commitment to Dance club
and dance performances
throughout the year

**Pablo Cervantes, Filip
Wierzbicki**

7Y

Well done for working hard
and producing an excellent
PowerPoint to go with our
Form Assembly!

Sarah Humphreys
7A

Super effort and attitude all
year!



7S

Thanks to 7S for being a great Form Class this year. I am so proud of how you have all settled at St. Mary's. You are polite, fun and full of energy.

Grace Chapman
Geography

For a fantastic work rate and attitude.

Amber Gould
Geography
For being brilliant.

Daisy Rutter
Geography

For producing brilliant work this year

Max Douglas, Tomasz Okapiec, Peter Akinfolarin and Jack Elliott

7S

Max, Tomasz, Peter, and Jack have been coming along to Mindfulness group every Monday and have shown great dedication to extra-curricular activities, well done!

Ava Williamson
Biology

For showing excellent effort.

Christopher Hargreaves

7I

Christopher welcomed some of our new Year 7 students into school on transition day and made them feel at ease.

Filip Donaval
Geography

For producing brilliant work this year

Gabrielle Gudel
7Y

For being kind and helpful throughout the year



Miss Woodley's Year 7
English class

Fantastic work and progress this year.

Ella McGuire
Drama

For a commitment to Dance club and dance performances.



Keira-Anne Borwick
English

For writing an incredible essay on Frankenstein and having wonderful ideas and work every lesson

Florence Brophy
7Y

Well done for taking a leading role in organising the drama section of our assembly!

Alina Rudzenis
Geography

For having a great attitude and hard work.

Daisy Rutter, Hailey Benjamin, Sheila-Joy Onuoha

Physics

For consistently excellent work





Mailey McCartney
7S

Embracing opportunities to help in the running of school events and has also to help others. Well done!

Will Maughan
7A

For an excellent contribution to our Form Class Mass!

Alina Ruzenis
7Y

For approaching her first year at St Mary's with maturity and a real enthusiasm for learning.

Lego Club

Well done to all the students who attend Lego club every Thursday, we have been really impressed by all your creations

Robbie Arthur
7M

Robbie welcomed some of our new year 7s into school on transition day and made them feel at ease. Well done.

Daniel Hogarth
Geography

For a great attitude and hard work.

Patrick Iyer
French

For a fantastic achievement in assessments and excellent progress.

Dominic Johnson
Geography

For an excellent effort and work.

Jack Elliott
D&T

Fantastic effort on textiles - well done Jack for great work this year.

All of 7Y

For being a lovely, enthusiastic, and lively form all year!

Stanley Kolanowski
Geography

For having an excellent effort and a very positive attitude in all lessons!

7R

For an excellent Form Group Assembly

Jessica Butler, Mylo Manso, Aleksa Dunjan, Julia Glowacka, Anna Maria Paez, Daniel Hogarth
7Y

For excellent effort and attitude all year!

Otto Nemeth
7R

For a great performance at Summer Concert

Isobel Richardson
French
For fantastic contributions and always gives 100% in every lesson

Alessia Rea
7Y

Well done for your continued successes in ice skating competitions!



YEAR 8

Year 8 have had a brilliant year at St Mary's. I have been delighted to receive so much positive feedback from Class Teachers and Form Tutors in relation to your progress and personal development.

You are maturing and this is evidenced in your energy and enthusiasm for learning, and your attendance and commitment to the various extra-curricular activities on offer here in school.

Thanks to everyone who has played a part in any of the extra-curricular activities on offer here in school, and also those supported by home, including netball, football, the success in the national Handball competitions, charity fundraisers, the school musical production, Just.Is, swimming, running, and more.

There have been so many examples of students being kind, considerate and supportive of others in and around school. I have witnessed many of these first hand and been informed by lots of teachers who have gone out of their way to let me know.

Thank you for this, and continue to make yourselves, your parents/carers and your teachers proud.

Mr Boyle (Head of Year 8)

Cillian Sears

8S

Excellent involvement in the school's string quartet. He was brilliant at the celebration awards!

Brendan Fisher

Chemistry

Excellent work ethic

8A5

Geography

Excellent fieldwork measuring carbon in trees around school

8A1

Geography

Brilliant presentations on Global Warming



Sonny Kesson

8A

For excellent commitment to the school football team

Pablo Velasquez Gomez

Drama

Absolute commitment to drama club and helping to develop and perform the drama performance for Just.Is



Nomar Cabasag

Art

For a wonderful attitude in lessons

Jessica Wake

Geography

For consistent hard work throughout the year

Euan Mallen

History

For always trying incredibly hard!

Roshan Nnaji

Drama

For an infectious enthusiasm towards drama in lessons and in Drama Club.

Pedro Guillen

8T

Pedro recently passed his Grade 5 piano exam! Well done!



Bruno Szczygielski
8N
For excellent work in English.

Roshan Nnaji
8Y

For researching and contributing to a wall chart produced by Historic England on African lives in Northern England. This is a superb piece of work Roshan, well done!



Jenny Whittaker
Drama

Absolute commitment to Drama Club and helping to develop and perform the drama performance for Just.Is

Lila Mrozik
D&T

For consistently fabulous work - excellent progress this year. Well done!

Caitlin Arthur, Nefeli Gerasimidou
Geography

Excellent Global Warming presentation - well done!

Ethan Douthwaite

French

For excellent achievement and effort!

Jan Siemens
Biology

For outstanding homework. Made a fantastic NHS leaflet on fractures and their treatment.

Adele Onaivi
English

Excellent contribution to lessons throughout the year and a very insightful final piece of writing.

Thomas Crosby
8A

For representing St Mary's with such maturity and professionalism at the National School's Handball

Heide Peddie-Jones
8Y

For dedication to Drama clubs and performances in school and with the Theatre Royal.

Rowan Tyreman
English

Excellent creative writing assessment and analysis of 'The Woman in Black'



Maria Sutton
Music

Fantastic performance in award ceremonies

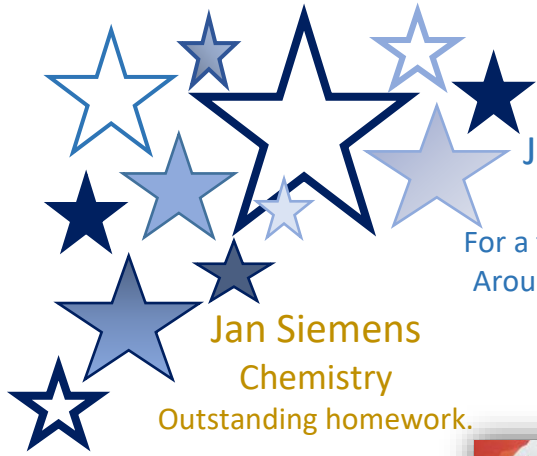
Alissa Korriku
8T

Alissa has recently started attending a fencing club outside of school!! She wasn't sure at first but showed a great deal of courage and strength to go along and try something new!! Well done!

Destiny Omojor
English

Superb work in English throughout the year. Lovely extended responses to texts.





Julia Chruzlak

Art

For a fantastic work for the Around the World Project

Jan Siemens

Chemistry

Outstanding homework.

Meagan Cardozo

8S

Excellent work in English.

Julia Nyrka

Chemistry

Excellent work ethic



Caitlin Landell

English

For making great progress this year. She has worked so hard!

Anna Mackenzie

Drama

Absolute commitment to Drama Club and helping to develop and perform the drama performance for Just.Is

Jan Siemens

Music

For a fantastic performance in award.



Erin Jones

8T

Erin is an incredible swimmer. She has enjoyed a great deal of success this year, sometimes at National level. She has recently qualified for the British and English Championships which will take place at the start of the summer holidays!! Best of luck Erin!!

Eva Mohan

Geography

Excellent Global Warming presentation - well done!

Gabrielle Roper

Geography

For having a great attitude and hard work.

Nicholas Gates, Zac Barbieri and Adam

Gebka

8T

The three boys were the winners of the Maths Challenge 2022. Well done boys!!

Eddie and Harlan

8Y

For being outstanding participants in sport during this school year.

Emma Hatt

Music

For a fantastic performance in award ceremonies.



Grace Lapke Gogoua

English

Working so hard this year. Her ideas and writing are very sophisticated and clever.

Julia Nyrka

Biology

Excellent work ethic

Rose Fairlamb

Drama

Absolute commitment to Drama Club and helping to develop and perform the drama performance for Just.Is

Jack Torley

D&T

For brilliant work in all areas this year. Well done.



Henry Wilkinson

Drama

Absolute commitment to Drama Club and helping to develop and perform the drama performance for Just.is

Jemima Clough

8T

Jemima and her gymnastics team performed superbly at the English Championships recently, to finish 3rd place overall!

Emma Hatt

Drama

Absolute commitment to drama club and helping to develop and perform the drama performance for Just.is



Ava Green

PE

For a great attitude and effort.

Ketsia Kitoko

Spanish

For fantastic progress this year and positive approach to every lesson

Cillian Sears

Music

For a fantastic performance in award ceremonies

Jesse Ladd

Physics

Consistently excellent

Stella Rickeard and Alice

Haighton

8T

Stella and Alice have been raising money for the Ukraine by crocheting bags and selling them. Well done!

Anna Garrick

PE

For brilliant game play in rounders, with fantastic batting ability and competitive edge.

Mia-Mae Haughan

PE

Excellent game play in rounders with a fantastic attitude and competitive edge.

Pablo Velasquez

Gomes

French

For excellent achievement and effort!



Lucie Robson

PE

Fantastic batting & fielding in rounders, well done Lucie!

Alexandra Davison

Geography

Super presentation on Global Warming

Sonny Kesson

PE

For outstanding attitude, effort, and dedication to extra-curricular clubs and in lesson time.

Eva Mohan

Maths

For a massive effort and noticeable results on improving numeracy skills with weekly after school lessons

Lewis Barton

Spanish

100% effort in every lesson and excellent attitude towards learning.



Adiam Aron, Hannah Ojo and Roshan Nnaji
8Y

For coming to the summer music concert to support their classmates you were

Ramin Omar

Geography

Has produced brilliant work this year

Alissa Korriku

English

Has a tireless enthusiasm.

Daisy D'Agostino

Drama

Absolute commitment to drama and dance club and helping to develop and perform the drama

Hermione Maddison

Geography

Has produced brilliant work this year

Ewan, Olly, and Dan
8S

For representing St Mary's with such maturity and professionalism at the National School's Handball Tournament.

Rayhan Saddique

Maths

For consistent hard work and always going above and beyond!

Evangeline Coward

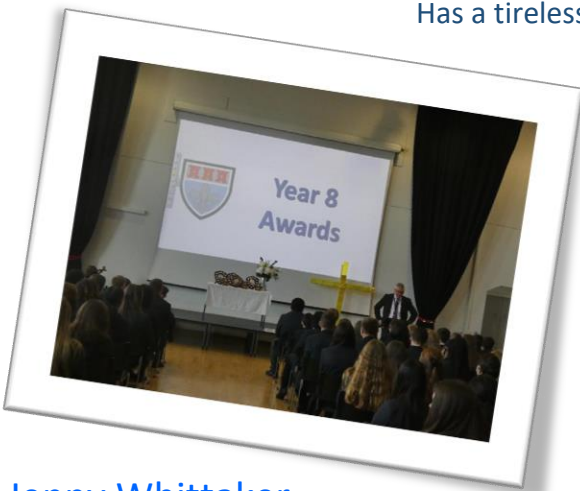
8T

Evangeline has been incredibly kind throughout the year and has volunteered to feed the homeless nearly every Saturday! Well done!

Just.Is

8T

Many of the Year 8 students performed a beautiful drama piece, representing Mental Health, as part of the Just.Is conference. The students choreographed the piece themselves and practiced for weeks to get it just right for the event. It was a joy to watch and a complete success. Well done!



Joel Mohan

Biology

Excellent work ethic

Jenny Whittaker

Music

For a fantastic performance in award ceremonies

Destiny Omojor

Spanish

Always has such a positive attitude and loves to answer questions.



Edie Mitchell

Spanish

For a positive attitude and excellent contributions in every class all year



YEAR 9

Year 9 have had an excellent summer term at St Mary's. I have been delighted to receive so much positive feedback from Form Tutors and Class Teachers with regards to your progress. You have demonstrated increased levels of maturity and are setting an excellent example for the younger year groups. You have shown great levels of enthusiasm and energy for learning, and your attendance and commitment to the various extra-curricular activities on offer here in school is fantastic. As you move into Year 10, I encourage you to remain focussed and endeavour to be well organised in order to meet the challenges of the next two years, helping you to make the most of your potential.

As well as the excellent academic progress you have demonstrated, it has been lovely to see you continue to put your all into the Spiritual Life of the School, with 9I, 9Y and 9R leading assemblies on the themes of 'Friends', 'Mercy' and 'Strength'. We have also had 5 Form Groups leading mass on Friday mornings this term. These have all been excellent, providing many meaningful Spiritual opportunities for our community.

I would like to thank you all for the excellent year you have had. As Head of Year, I am really proud of all your achievements and, most of all, your positive attitude to all aspects of school life. I hope you all have an excellent break over the summer with your friends and family, and I wish you all the best for the next two years.

Zoe Arthur

9N

For being a very dedicated student, maintaining excellent standards in all of her school work while training very hard at Gymnastics outside of school - recently competing internationally in Malta!

Lince Shinto

History

For always taking excellent care in the quality and presentation of her work

Mr Brooks (Head of Year 9)

Sophia O'Neill

PE

Excellent progress achieved throughout Year 9! Well done!

Emily Elder-Smith

PE

For excellent progress throughout the year! Fully engaged and enthusiastic at all times.



9T

Thank you to all 9T for being a brilliant Form Class- honestly one of the best groups I have had the pleasure of working with. You are an incredible group of young people, and it has been great to get to know you all. I wish you every success for the future. Mrs Douglass



James Quinn

PE

For outstanding attitude, effort, and dedication to extra-curricular clubs and in lesson time.

Arman Nejati

Chemistry

For an excellent persuasive letter on global warming with very detailed explanations.





9I

Thank you 9I for all of your efforts and kind words on a daily basis. You are a tremendous group of students, and the form class atmosphere is brilliant! Good luck for Year 10, Mr Gamesby

David Burnham

9T

For excellent progress in English.

Hayden McDermott

9I

For excellent progress in English.



Teodor Muraru

9R

For excellent progress in English.

Oliver Johnson

9R

Excellent contribution to 9R's Form Assembly.

Jay Richardson

9I

For being open, funny, honest, and kind every day

Monalisa Coccuza

9I

Excellent contributions and ideas in Form class

James Quinn

9S

James kindly gave his time to help with the sound support for the summer Music concert

Francesca Nelson

9S

Francesca volunteered to provide music for sports day

Joe Rickeard

Drama

For excellent commitment throughout the year to drama club.

Jaiden Ncube

9A

Excellent work outside of school in basketball.

Lily Middleton

Music

For excellent progress in lessons this year

Alan Mih Achuo

9A

Well done for stepping in for another student during our form class assembly.



Zharlyne Garces

Biology

For having an excellent work ethic





Joshua Shields

Geography

For great attitude and hard work.

Wiki Anderson

Art

Wiki had her work displayed in Harrods, Metro Centre. Check out the Dior counter to see Wiki's wonderful artwork

Tamsin Dale

9R

Excellent contribution to 9R's Form Assembly.

Eve Taylor

English

For superb contributions to lessons throughout the year.

Dennis Brown

French

For excellent contributions in lessons and gives 100% effort in every lesson.

Emmy Whitelock

Art

For fantastic portrait work this term

Lily Middleton

Geography

For having a great attitude and hard work.

Hyunwoo Lee

Music

For excellent progress in lessons this year

Emily Holburn

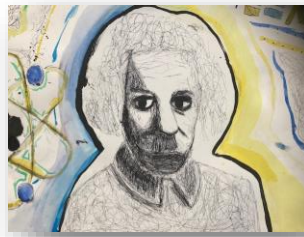
Drama

For consistent hard work in lessons

Liona Baby

Physics

For great work in class



Leo Gray

Music

For excellent progress in lessons this year

Elise Armstrong

PE

Excellent effort throughout the whole year, well done!

Luke Taylor

Art

Lovely attitude and great progress over this term

Deceree Danipog

Geography

For excellent effort all year and a brilliant piece of transport fieldwork.

Artur Piecuch

Biology

Great effort

Jasmija

Mukuntharajah

Biology
Great effort



9aD2

Geography

For constant enthusiasm, excellent effort, and wonderful progress from everyone!





Jeremy Rose
Physics
Great work in class

Lukas Kist
Spanish
Excellent effort all year in with fantastic contributions in every lesson

Sheldon Saet
Geography
For great commitment this year

Jay Richardson
Spanish
Excellent effort all year in Spanish, fantastic contributions in every lesson



Tamsin Dale
Biology
Great effort

Eve Taylor
Geography
For having a great attitude and hard work.

Sofia Becerra Mugica
Geography
For excellent effort and consistently super work all year

Artur Piecuch
D&T
For brilliant work in all areas this year. Well done.

Olivia Ashcroft
Drama
For consistent hard work in lessons



Luke Taylor
Maths
For consistent hard work and dedication to maths.

Jasmija Mukuntharajah
Spanish
Has made excellent progress and always has such a positive attitude

Francesca Nelson
English
Superb work throughout the year, and a beautiful exercise book to show for it, too!

Ruby Rose Colver
Geography
For fantastic work this year.

Zoe Arthur
D&T
For brilliant all-round effort this year. Well done.

Grace Anderson
French
For excellent contributions in lessons and gives 100% effort in every lesson.

Newton Agbidi and Emily Elder-Smith
Physics
Consistent effort

Amelia Lee
D&T
For fantastic work this year. Well done.

9S
9S have been an outstanding form class throughout the year. You have all shown real commitment to form activities in the morning and during the pastoral programme. It has been fantastic to hear your opinions and ideas on various topics throughout the year. Keep up the excellent work, Miss Stearman



YEAR 10

Thank you Year 10.

You blink and the academic year has disappeared again. We are already at the end of Year 10 and half way through the GCSE courses. How time moves quickly!

In the last few weeks Year 10 have completed their first set of Mock GCSE exams. I am really pleased to share that all of the students have really thrown themselves into exam mode and conducted themselves in an excellent manner throughout the whole process. This has been a real insight into how much Year 10 value their education and a desire to succeed with their studies. The team of external exam invigilators commented on the excellent attitude demonstrated by all students during this time – another indicator of how Year 10 are determined to achieve success. This process has hopefully helped the students to see that the exam process is not so daunting after all and they can now channel their energies into more focused preparation for the real examinations in May 2023, as they move into Year 11.

As well as the excellent academic progress demonstrated by Year 10 this year, I am also pleased to share that the students have fully immersed themselves into the Spiritual Life of the School, with all Form groups leading assemblies on the different themes across the year. The themes have been 'Faith, Hope and Love', 'Wisdom', 'Voices of Encouragement', 'Facing Challenges', 'Change', 'Mercy', 'Friends' and 'Strength'. All Form Groups delivered their assemblies with a clear spiritual focus and in a thought-provoking manner. All Form Groups have also successfully led the Friday Morning Masses, providing meaningful Spiritual opportunities for our school community.

I would like to say a huge thank you to Year 10 students for the excellent year they have had and the excellent start they have made to their GCSE studies.

Laiba Ahmed & Charlie

Moore

10M/10T

Laiba and Charlie worked incredibly hard to pot plants to be displayed in the SEND department. They look wonderful and add some beautiful colour to the room. Well done!

Mr Gray (Head of Year 10)



Markus Schoefer

10M

Markus won the team and individual gold meaning he is a double world champion! An absolutely outstanding accomplishment! Well done!

Queen Siba

10A

For excellent progress in English Literature.

Anya Mander

Art

Wonderful attitude towards her artwork with some very exciting paintings.

**Sabrina Fernandes
and Adi Adams**

**Biology
Great effort**

Jamie Bouchard

D&T

For a fabulous effort with all areas this year. Well done.

Izzy Cassidy

**Chemistry
Great effort**



Vanessa Itiose

Chemistry
Great effort

Ashley Antony

10A

Exceptional effort helping out
with the Just.Is conference, well
done!

Haniah Rafique

Mohammed

Geography

For having a great
commitment this year

Vanessa Itiose

English

Excellent dedication to texts
in English Literature



Emma O'Doherty

Art

For amazing quality drawing
and painting this term.



Juliana Khalil

10N

For excellent progress in English

Guilherme Fragata

English

Fantastic attitude and
achievement and insightful
ideas about poetry this term.

Molly Douglas

Maths

For working extremely hard
to prepare for her mocks and
for always challenging herself
in lessons.

Eesha Saeed, Amber

Crawford, Alfie Devine

Geography

For very hard work and excellent
progress

Anna Stafford

Music

Excellent progress in Music lessons this year

Hannah Swinhoe

Geography

For fantastic work rate and
attitude.

Patrick Macdonald

English

For excellent dedication to English
Language throughout the course
of the year.



Gretchen Ottoway

PE

Full on enthusiasm and puts
100% effort into each and every
lesson!

Anna Brent

Geography

For excellent work all year.

Charlotte Johnson

French

For excellent effort and
progress!

Lucy Morrison

Spanish

For consistent hard work.

Thomas Crulley

Physics

Great work in class

Zuha Sheikh

PE

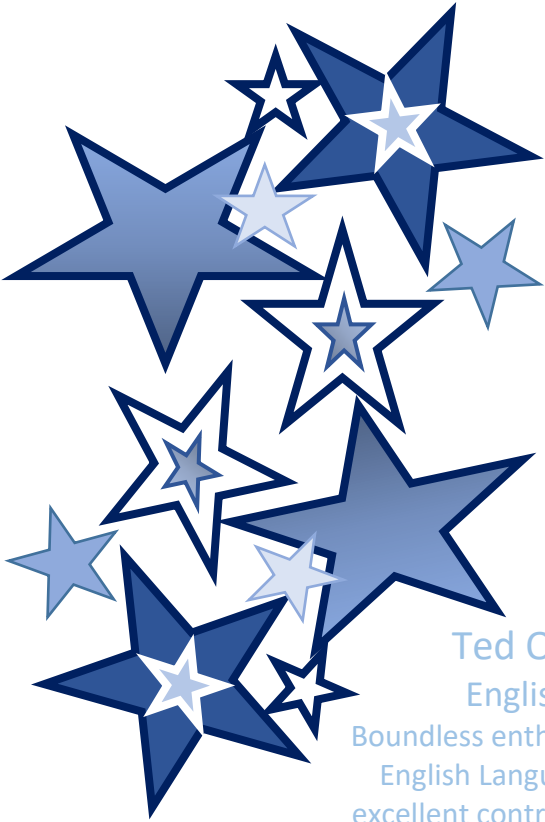
Fantastic effort & attitude
throughout the whole year, well
done Zuha!

Sumaiya Mohamed

Maths

For achieving an outstanding
effort and achievement.





Markus Schoefer
10M
Markus represented SEKA
England National Karate Squad
in the 10th World Union of
Karate-Do Federations World
Championships in Fort
Lauderdale in the USA

Josh Sorensen
Drama

Josh has made outstanding
contributions to leading Drama club
this year, as well as helping to
develop a piece of drama for the
Just.Is conference.

Emily Mooney
10N

Ted Old English
For outstanding achievement
in English Literature.

Boundless enthusiasm for
English Language and
excellent contributions to
discussion.

Jerusalem Amaeshi
Art

For approaching every lesson
with a positive attitude and
brilliant work.

Lucy Morrison
10I

For exceptional effort
to prepare for mock
exams

Joshua Sorenson
Geography

For brilliant work and effort
all year.

**Eva-Mae Moran
Adams**
English

For a superb speech in
English Language - well done,

Sarah Moore
PE

Exceptional attitude and effort
in all lessons, well done!

Chloe Lin
French

For excellent effort and
progress!



**Manasse
Kertho**
Biology

Excellent work ethic

Anna Stafford
10T

For performing in her first
musical concert and a brilliant
attitude during the mock
exams.

Patrick McDonald
Physics
Great work in class

Molly Douglas
Spanish

For excellent effort all year,
fantastic contributions in every
lesson.

Molly Douglas
Maths

For working extremely hard
to prepare for her mocks and
for always challenging herself
in lessons.

Chloe Lin
PE

Excellent progress throughout
Year 10! Well done!

Molly Bawden
D&T

For excellent work in all
areas this year. Well done.



Anna Brent
10T

For a wonderful attitude
during the mock exams. A
brilliant role model for others.

Ted Old
Physics

For producing great work in
class

Stephen Husband
Chemistry

For showing a great
effort



Jacob Richardson

10A

For preparing thoroughly for his Sport exam, attending all revision sessions!

Sophie Biber

10I

For hard work and having an excellent attitude towards all aspects of school life

Boe Tidswell

Geography

For a fantastic work rate and attitude.

Hurley Jordan

Physics

Great work in class

Niamh O'Reilly

Music

For excellent progress in lessons this year

Grace Bamba

Geography

For showing a super effort and perseverance.



Jess Bramhall

Physics

For producing great work in class.

Erin Gardener

History

For doing extra revision, always seeking feedback, and constantly wanting to improve her skills!

Joe Lowes

PE

For a fantastic attitude and dedication to his studies.

Daniel Trojanovskis

Biology

For having excellent work ethic.

Chelsea Coleman

Maths

For showing perseverance when finding maths difficult.

Mia Johnson

Geography

For having a great attitude and hard work.

Jessica Bramhall

French

For an excellent effort and progress!



YEAR 11

To Parents and Carers of Year 11.


As a school we are immensely proud of all of the achievements of Year 11 in their five years here at St Mary's. Although their journey has at times not always been straightforward, they have always shown great resilience and determination. Throughout this year they have responded well to the challenge of external examinations, maintaining positive attitudes, and maturing along the way. I have been so impressed by all of the comments that have been made by teachers, invigilators, and support staff about how well Year 11 have handled this year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your support, it is greatly appreciated. We were delighted that we could return to our formal end of year celebrations this year with a lovely Leaver liturgy, as well as a very moving assembly. This was followed by an amazing evening of celebrating at Prom, where Year 11 were a credit to themselves, you and school, with the venue commenting that the Prom was the best that they had ever hosted.

To Year 11 students.


Thank you so much for all of your hard work over the last five years here at school, in particular the last year. You have achieved so much in your time with us, whether this is in the classroom or in your contributions to the wider life of the school. It has been a pleasure and a privilege to be your Head of Year for the past 4 years. You have been an amazing year group and everyone in school will hold fond memories of you. We all have our finger crossed that you all get the results you deserve in your exams this summer. I hope you have all made memories you will cherish forever. We look forward to seeing many of you back in September. For those moving on, farewell and good luck, you will always be a part of the St Mary's school community. Remember, you are all braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, and smarter than you think.

Good luck.


Mr Donnelly (Head of Year 11)




**Congratulations
to Paul Caragay
who received
the Governor's
award**



**Congratulations
to Fiona
Kunjomon who
received the
Carrol Bursary**



**Congratulations
to Aqsa Umair
who received
the Father
Conaty award**



**Congratulations
to Ruby Pugmire
who received
the Headteacher
award**

**Congratulations
to Jan Kolanowski
who received the
Father Kellet
award**

As a school, we celebrated the end of Year 11 exams and their time in the main school here at St Mary's with a lovely liturgy. In this liturgy, students were given a gift of a candle and challenged with the statement "Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire."



Students had a final assembly in which their Form Tutors shared memories and set them challenges for the future. Mr Donnelly then thanked them for their time at St Mary's before students picked up their Leavers' Hoodies and Prom tickets.





Year 11 then attended Prom at The Crowne Plaza in Newcastle. Everyone looked amazing and there was a great atmosphere of celebration. Students enjoyed a three-course meal before making some memories on the dance floor with their friends.



YEAR 12



Year 12 have had a fantastic year in our Sixth Form. They have worked incredibly hard and, as you can see in this edition of Shine, they have complemented their hard work in school with a vast array of achievements outside of lessons. These achievements range from national sporting success to local charity work, and each one shows the talents and hard work of this year group.

This term Year 12 have been considering their options after Sixth Form, with many researching apprenticeships and visiting universities across the country. It is great to see the students preparing for life after St Mary's and how they can use the excellent academic progress and extra-curricular achievements to support their applications. I look forward to continuing to support the year group in making these important and exciting choices about future study and work.

The resilience and determination that Year 12 have shown this year has been admirable and will ensure they are able to have a fantastic final year at St Mary's, despite the challenges that Year 13 will bring.

Miss Lamb (Head of Year 12)

Hollie Robson

D&T

For great work in Textiles this year. You truly are a very unique designer. Well done.

Mert Alacam

12R

Mert has reached the final of an essay competition with the New College of the Humanities. He submitted an essay on the proposed limits of freedom of expression within the British legal system. Mert was one of just 20 finalists amongst the thousands of essays that were submitted



Luisa Sanchez

12S

For excellent consistent effort in RE this year!

Priya Heir

Physics

Consistent effort.

Jasmine Fenwick

D&T

For amazing work in textiles this year. You truly are becoming a great designer. Well done.

Claire Hutchby

12A

Ran the very successful Art stall at Heaton Festival raising funds for Ukraine charities

Alistair Gibson

Spanish

For excellent effort and contributions.

Verity Bunce

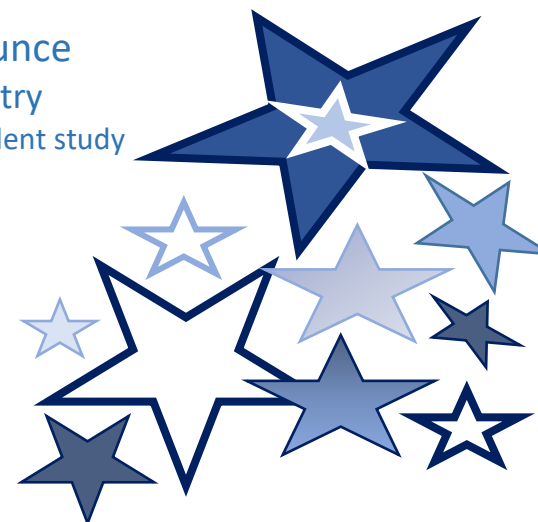
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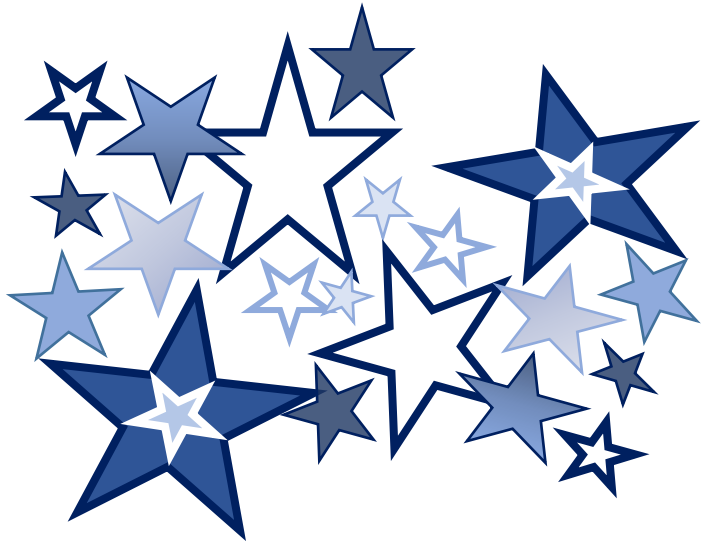
Great independent study

Georgia Simpson

Drama

Georgia worked with younger students in Dance club to develop an EPQ project that showcased dance through the decades.





Molly Boardman and Filipa

Moreira

12M

Creators of the successful Equality Club with younger students in the school.

Verity Bunce

Maths

Excellent progress in all areas

Luke Swinbanks

Maths and Physics

For an excellent work and progress.

Josie Bunce

Physics

For consistent hard work and effort.

Ciara Weddle

12A

Ran the very successful Art stall at Heaton Festival raising funds for Ukraine charities

Mikey Block

Chemistry

Great independent study



Alan Mohan & Eve

Pugmire

Biology

For showing an excellent work ethic



Katie Motion

12M

Has organised and ran a football tournament for younger children.



Luisa Sanchez

Spanish

For an excellent effort and contributions.



Alexander Johnson

12A

For reaching the finals of the Under-19 National Schools Chess Championships in Stratford-upon-Avon.

Jonathan Jativa-Calle

Maths

For excellent work and progress.





Phoebe Sanderson
Chemistry
Great independent study

Oliver Watson
Physics
Great independent study



Mert Alacam
12R

Excellent consistent effort in RE this year!

All Year 12 Artists and Photographers
Art

For preparing and running a very successful Art stall at the Heaton festival and raising funds for the Ukraine appeal.

Kate Lowes
Art

For consistently working hard and making excellent progress in painting.

Claire Hutchby
Art

Consistently working hard and making excellent progress with her new project.

Sarah Aalsaud & Anna Watson Mckenna
Biology

For displaying great effort

Katie Motion
12M

Well done on your commitment to extra-curricular PE activities!

Celine Gray
12A

For being successful in gaining Work Experience at the Oriental Museum at Durham University against very tough competition.

Aurelia Keavney
Photography

For consistently working hard and making excellent progress.

Kimberly D'Mello, Filipa Moreira, Laura Nicholson, Eve Pugmire, Eleanor Quinn
Geography

For dedication to the Geography department in founding and running the Geography film club



Lucy Elder Smith
Art

For staying positive and motivated with her new Year 13 project.

Hollie Robson
English

For a real dedication and passion.

Verity Bunce
Maths

For being awarded the KS5 Award for Achievement at the Newcastle School Awards.





YEAR 13

We are so incredibly proud of our Year 13 students and their journey through the Sixth Form. Last year, in particular, was certainly not the easiest time, but the students have responded so well, and risen to so many challenges this year, culminating in their final end of year examinations. The way students have conducted themselves throughout this period, having not sat a formal exam in over seven years (!), was fantastic and students conducted themselves with such a positive and mature attitude throughout this process.

Earlier this term, Year 13 enjoyed a lovely Leaver's Celebration which was the perfect time for reminiscing and reflecting on the future before being treated to a selection of pizzas and ice-creams. As ever, in typical British fashion, this happened to be the part of the day when the rain decided to come down, but it didn't dampen anyone's spirits! Finally, we all enjoyed an amazing Prom just a few weeks ago, which served as the perfect send off to Year 13's time here! (Again, the less said about the weather the better...)

Year 13, as I told you during your Leaver's Celebrations, I've never known St. Mary's without you, and for that reason, I am so glad that I have been able to spend the last two years as your Head of Year, because you've played a huge part in so much of my time here. It has been a pleasure to know you all and watch you grow, and I wish you all every success and happiness for the future.

Remember, the true joy of life is the journey. You are now just heading off to your next stop. Keep getting out there and seeing the world, making memories, meeting new people and, most importantly, keep on making a difference. I hope you are all able to have a well-earned rest before your new adventures begin. Good luck!

Mr Cottington (Head of Year 13)

