

St Mary's Catholic School



Shine

Issue 21

Welcome to the latest edition of the Shine Bulletin.

It has been a delight to read about the wonderful achievements of our students this term, including their excellent progress in lessons. Furthermore, it is superb to see so many students participating so enthusiastically in the wider life of the school and making the most of their God-given gifts and talents. They are a credit to the St Mary's school community, and we know that the Shine Bulletin celebrates just a small sample of our students' achievements this term.

We are currently celebrating Advent in many ways in school, as we enjoy the Advent Celebrations of the Word, Advent Fayres, and the upcoming Christmas Music Concert and Christmas services in school. Thank you so much to our wonderful teaching and support staff team for their hard work in supporting students this term and a huge thank you to our students for all their superb efforts.

I wish all students, staff, parents, and carers a joyful and peaceful Christmas.
Very best wishes, Miss Patterson, Headteacher.



Year 7

Congratulations Year 7 on your first term here at St Mary's!

You should all be incredibly proud of how well you have settled into our school. From making new friends, to your excellent effort in lessons and participation in extracurricular activities, you have truly made the most of the opportunities given to you. I am confident that you will continue to shine brightly as you move through the school year.

Though you have only been at St Mary's for a short time, you have made a huge impact on our school community. You have auditioned for plays, sang in the choir, played for sports teams, performed in assemblies and so much more. You have all been blessed with unique gifts and talents, and it has been wonderful to see you share these.

One highlight of this term has been our Remembrance Service that took place in November. Those of you who participated in our Remembrance Service demonstrated a real commitment to honouring those affected by war and conflict. As a school, we were all moved by your service and of how well you represented your Cadets, Scouts and Guides groups.

During Advent, it has been wonderful to see so many of you provide hope and joy to others. The money you raised during your Advent Fayre, as well as the donations you have provided to the Christmas hamper appeal, will make a huge difference to those in need this Christmas. It is a privilege to see your kindness shine through in your generosity, the way you help one another and the politeness you show to teachers. Though you have made lots of incredible achievements this term, the thing that I am most proud of is your kindness.

I hope you and your families all have a wonderful Christmas and Happy New Year.

Best wishes,

Miss Charlton

Head of Year 7

Poppy Flowers

Maths

Great work ethic.

Charlie Collins

French

Excellent work. Well done!

Tomi Bamidele

Spanish

Superb enthusiasm.

Malu Motta Nunes

Maths

Great enthusiasm and effort.

Thomas Pugh

French

Excellent enthusiasm. Well done!



Malu Motta
Nunes
7T
Superb first term!



★ Cecile Garratt
Maths
Great progress.

Daisy Tate &
Beni Echevarria
Chemistry
Excellent work.

Lena Tkaczyk
French
Excellent work. Well
done!

Ivo Szczygielski
DT
Fantastic effort in
food lessons

Leo Walton &
Isobel Irving
Chemistry
Excellent work.

Rozalia Dores
French
Excellent effort. Well
done!



Daniel Poole
French
Excellent effort. Well
done!

Abigail Duda
RE
An excellent start
to Year 7.

Anna Price, Ollie
Maynard, Daisy
Johnson & Oscar Smith
Biology
Great classwork.



Grace Johnson
Spanish
Superb enthusiasm!

Charlie-Rae Harrison
7T
Excellent contributions in
Form Time!



★ Erin Eastaugh
7S
Always contributing to
Form Class discussions

Eleanor Freeman
Maths
Great enthusiasm
and effort.



Emily Wemyss & Arthur
McShane McManemy
Physics
Great contributions in lessons.

Nadan Abrehe
Spanish
Excellent contributions
and effort in lessons!

Damo Gilbert
French
Excellent enthusiasm.
Well done!





Margo Garces
Art
Beautiful homework
and effort



**Chimchebem
Onwuachumba**

FS
Excellent contributions to
class discussions.

Charlotte Ahmadian
French
Excellent work. Well done!

Ollie Maynard
Spanish
Superb enthusiasm!

Abe Brough

French
Excellent enthusiasm.
Well done!

Damo Gilbert
Spanish
Superb enthusiasm!



**Sophie Saunders, Erin Eastaugh,
Theo Nath, Chimchebem
Onwuachumba & Isobel
Stafford**
Geography
Great enthusiasm and participation.



Fatima Jallow

FM
Extremely helpful to
fellow form pupils, and
overall positive attitude!



Mileigh Dowson

French
Excellent effort. Well
done!

Leah Mamlouk

FM
Excellent contributions to Form
Time thoughts and constant
positive attitude to
everything!



Dove Proctor

Art
Brilliant clay
work.

Isobel Stafford

French
Excellent work. Well
done!



William Wraith

Spanish
Superb enthusiasm!

Ivo Szczygielski

Art
Brilliant attitude.



**Felix Bond, Diya Dilson,
Chimchebem Onwuachumba
& Erin Eastaugh**

Physics
Working to their best in every
lesson.

Charlie-Rae
Harrison

English

Excellent contributions
and vocabulary used.



Damian Landowski-
Hardy

DT

Excellent participation during
class questioning.

Tomiwa Coker

French

Excellent enthusiasm.
Well done!



Ivo Szczygielski

Spanish

Excellent contributions in
lessons.



Hannah Wraith

French

Excellent work. Well
done!



Kayden Tsui

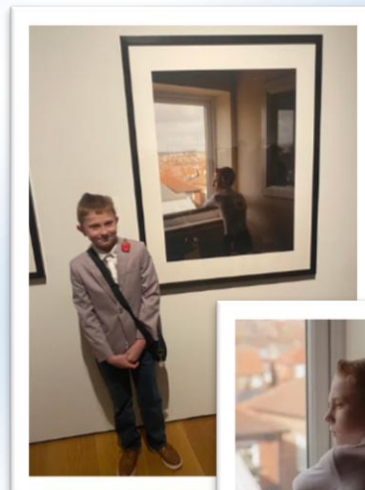
7T

Generous contributions to all
fundraising activities!

Audrey Mayo

7T

Fantastic attitude!



Albane Glorieux

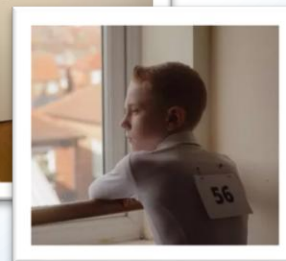
French

Excellent effort in
French. Well done!

Lucas Arce Cassin

Spanish

Excellent contributions
and effort in lessons!



Grace Johnson

Art

Super work and excellent
work ethic.

James Astley Reinoso

7M

Wonderful positivity in and
out of form time!



Sophie Saunders

7S

Always smiling and
positive. Very helpful in
class!

Charlie Rae Harrison,
Ester Icton & Chinyere

Eze

Biology

Great enthusiasm.



Madeline Hale

Art

Superb attitude and
work.

Damo Gilbert

Art

Incredibly positive
excellent ideas.



Jason Akwueh

7S

Excellent contributions
to class discussions.

**Corey Teasdale, Callum Murphy,
Archie Palma & Laura Bortolanza**

De Carvalho

Biology

Great work.



**Efemena Alex-School
& Arnav Buchepalli**

Physics

Great effort in lessons.

**Hannah Wraith &
Kimberley Ozigbo-Esere**

Physics

Great classwork and
homework.

Tehilah Ojabo

Spanish

Excellent effort, well
done!

Daisy Johnson

Maths

Great enthusiasm
and effort.



Wren Grinsall

French

Excellent work. Well
done!

Alice Durma

RE

An excellent start to
Year 7!



Duke Moses

English

Brilliant ideas about
dystopia and tried very
hard in writing assessment

Charlie Collins

Spanish

Superb enthusiasm
in Spanish!

**David-Dominic
Gardner**

DT

Excellent
participation in food
lessons.

Isobel Irving

French

Excellent work in French.
Well done!

Jeremiah Kimvula

Maths

Great enthusiasm and
effort.

Alan Bacmaga

Spanish

Always so helpful in class.
Excellent contributions and
effort!



Ivo Szczygielski

7M

Excellent contributions to the
Advent Fayre and kindness to
others!

Adriana Dores

Maths

Great enthusiasm and
effort.

Grace Johnson

French

Excellent work. Well
done!



Year 8

Dear Year 8 Students and Families,

As we come to the end of our first term in Year 8, I want to take a moment to reflect on what has been a brilliant start to the year. It has been wonderful to see how each student has grown since September—showing increasing confidence, maturity, and positive attitudes across all areas of school life.

Throughout this term, Year 8 have impressed staff with their resilience, enthusiasm for learning, and the supportive way they treat one another. You have truly shone together as a year group, whether by tackling difficult classwork with determination, representing St Mary's in sporting fixtures with commitment and excellent sportsmanship, taking part in our remembrance service so respectfully as members of a wide range of uniformed organisations, or demonstrating generosity and creativity in raising money for the Saint Vincent de Paul Society during our Advent Fayre.

I have especially enjoyed seeing so many of you stepping up as role models for younger students, taking on new challenges, and contributing to the wider life of St Mary's with energy and kindness. You are setting a strong foundation for the rest of the year.

As we head into the Christmas break, I want to thank you all for your hard work and the positivity you have brought to school this term. I would also like to thank our parents and carers for your continued support—it makes an enormous difference to the wellbeing and success of our young people, who are at the heart of all we do. I hope you all enjoy a peaceful, restful holiday with your loved ones. I look forward to welcoming you back in January, ready for a successful and exciting new year.

Miss Henzell

Head of Year 8

Daniel Armstrong

French

Fantastic effort in lessons!



Holly Eccleston

RE

Huge improvement in confidence and in contributing to class discussions.



Niamh Getlevog

Maths

Great enthusiasm and effort.



Daniel Armstrong

DT

Fantastic effort and progress.



Jakub Jaonczak

Spanish

Excellent effort and progress!



Amelie Dutertre,

**Julia Hearn &
Alyssa Chandra**

Physics

Great work.



Holly Eccleston

BT

Her engagement during the spiritual section each morning is excellent, offering thoughtful and insightful answers about the weekly theme.

Flynn Stephens

English

Fantastically impressive knowledge of vocabulary and application of new vocabulary to our study of Jekyll and Hyde.

Alyssa Chandra & Julia

Hearn

Chemistry

Helpful and keen in all lessons.

Benjamin Arthur

RE

Brilliant contributions in class - well done!



Nyrel Ewusie

Maths

Nyrel shows real determination.



Alexander Skorko

French

Excellent effort. Well done!



Princess Bhebhe, Nina

Almecca Freitas, Alice

Stromsoy & Niamh Gellerog

Biology

Excellent effort and attitude.

Charles Moore & Lacy

Mae Coleman

French

Excellent effort and overall attitude to learning. Well done!

Charlie Murdy

Geography

Excellent piece of writing on Mount Everest.



Alex Benjamin

RE

Fantastic knowledge of the baptism of Jesus.

Hannah Murdy

Chemistry

Great effort in lessons.



Emma Spencer

French

Superb enthusiasm!

Nahom Habtom

Maths

Great effort.

Imani-Laura Kertho-

Beryou

BI

For participating in a very mature and sensitive way during Personal Development discussions



Naiya Sander & Niamh Macleod

Physics

Great classwork and homework in Physics



Sadie Delanoy

Art

Polite, courteous and hard working

Princess Behbhe

Spanish

Excellent effort and contributions to Spanish lessons!

Alfie Young

Maths

Fantastic attitude in maths

Chidubem Ifediora & Emma Spencer

Physics

Great effort and enthusiasm in physics

Elsbeth Nye

DT

Excellent participation and kindness to others in Food lessons



Fenan Fekadu & Andrea Diumasumbu

Geography

Excellent attitude and work rate in Geography



Elsbeth Nye

RE

Fantastic contributions to class discussions



Stanley Irvine

RE

An excellent start to Year 8 RE!

Katie Devine

French

Superb enthusiasm in French!

Hannah Gosling & Georgia Wilson

Physics

Excellent effort and attitude in physics lessons

Hannah Murdy

Maths

Great enthusiasm and effort in maths



Fenan Fekadu

BT

Brings a positive attitude to form time daily and regularly volunteers to help both students and staff

Alice Stromsy

Art

Amazing clay work in Art

Adam Chlasciak

DT

Adam completed some fantastic logo development in his recent D&T assessment. He showed knowledge of colour theory and innovation in design



Alyssa Chandra

BI

For her enthusiasm and help with the various Advent activities such as the Fayre stall

Florence Spurr

French

Superb enthusiasm!

Hannah Murdy

French

Excellent enthusiasm. Well done!

Richie Anderson

BI

For his extremely generous donations to our Christmas hampers.



Eliza Davis

Maths

Great effort.

Rosie Lawson

RE

An excellent mature attitude in lessons!



Niamh Crawford

DT

Excellent participation and thoughtful responses during class discussion - well done!

Holly Eccleston

Spanish

Excellent effort and contributions to lessons!



Harry White

Chemistry

Excellent participation in lessons.

Lucy Simmons

BT

She has embraced every opportunity offered in school and consistently goes out of her way to support teachers whenever possible.

Katherine Wiszowaty &

Darryl Onakoya

French

Consistently high levels of effort throughout this term. Well done!



Alyssa Chandra & Jewel

Joshy

French

Consistently high levels of effort throughout this term. Well done!



Layla Askew

English

For growing in confidence this year and achieving her target twice!

John Camota, Daryl Ondyoya, Tomisin Coker, Catherine Cung, Jose Mary & Jelson Thomas

Biology

Great participation in lessons.



Anna Richardson, Nyrel Ewusre, Orla Richards & Daniel Armstrong
Chemistry
Excellent work.



Riley Harrison
Art
Excellent effort in lessons and a brilliant clay head.

Alice Stromsoy
English
Always participates enthusiastically and has really perceptive ideas about Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde.



Ellen Armstrong
BT
Demonstrates outstanding effort in all lessons, and her hard work is consistently recognised and praised.

Harry White
BI
For his generosity in giving up his time to help in the Advent Fayre.

Patrick Bradley & Angel Imasuen
French
Excellent effort and positive attitude to learning. Well done!



Zuzanna Sznigir & Katherine Wiszowaty
Chemistry
Working to their best every lesson.



Catherine Chung
Maths
Great work ethic.

Niamh Crawford
Spanish
Excellent contributions and effort in lessons!



Flynn Stephens & Mia Wylde
French
Excellent effort and positive attitude to learning. Well done!

Billy Selega
Art
Hard working and determined to do well.

Adrian Gaspar & Naham Habtom
Biology
Amazing effort.

Year 9

I am really pleased to share that Year 9 have made a fantastic start to the new academic year. They have continued to show excellent commitment to their learning, while also making the most of the many extra-curricular opportunities on offer. This has helped them continue to grow into the well-rounded, wonderful young people they are.

Year 9 students have a clear understanding of how excellent attendance and punctuality positively impact their progress. I am delighted to report that both attendance and punctuality have been excellent this term. Behaviour in Year 9 is also outstanding, with students showing they value their time in lessons. Their mature and focused attitude continues to impress members of staff.

They are always willing to volunteer for any activity—whether taking part in assemblies, representing the school at events, or supporting charitable causes. At the time of writing, three Form Groups have led assemblies on the themes of 'Holy Spirit', 'You are Holy' and 'Wisdom'. These were fantastic, with students involved in reading aloud, acting, writing prayers, preparing presentations and taking on roles at short notice to support their form.

It was also wonderful to see so many Year 9 students representing the Uniformed Services in our Remembrance Service on Friday 7th November. They were all outstanding.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to all Year 9 students for their continued hard work this term. I would also like to thank all Year 9 parents and carers for your ongoing support in helping myself and the Year 9 team guide students to achieve their very best.

Glory Olu
Chemistry
Fantastic
enthusiasm.



Lucy Dingwall
French
Excellent effort!

Mr Gray
Head of Year 9

Julia Oleszkiewicz
QA
Showing some great
perseverance and passion
for her love of music -
achieving a spot in her band
and creating her own songs.



Bobby Smith
Art
Massive improvement in
work.



**Isla-Mae Bell &
Harry Berry**
Physics
Great effort and
enthusiasm in
lessons.

Godswill Erhahon

French

Fantastic effort in lessons!



Jasmine Akwueh

Spanish

Excellent contributions and progress in Spanish

Matylda Czubinska & Ella Harwood

Biology

Super classwork and effort.



QR

A well done to all who attended and participated our Form assembly - you were an absolute credit to yourselves and our Form. Special mentions go to those who stepped in last minute to take on additional speaking parts as well as those who kept me right with spotting any mistakes in the PowerPoint leading up to the assembly!

Thank you and well done

Elisa Gamesby

RE

Already making such fantastic progress in Year 9!



Lily Ealey

Maths

Great effort.



Lucy Dingwall

RE

Producing a lot of fantastic creative work!

Anthony Falzon & Luca Putzu

Geography

Excellent presentation on Cabo Verde, drawing on his own experiences of the country.

Ella Whittle

RE

Already making such fantastic progress in Year 9!



Adrian Coman

Maths

Adrian offers answers in class discussion that show a great understanding of the subject.



Netonna Odo

Art

Brilliant improvement.



George Kwok & Lucy Dingwall

Chemistry

Amazing effort.

Tilly Wake

Spanish

Excellent contributions and progress!



Marvelous Busola

Art

Always helpful and mature in lessons.

Oscar Rutkowski

French

Excellent effort!

Andy Li

Maths

Andy recently achieved full marks on an assessment.

Julia Oleszkiewicz

RE

Fantastic extended writing assessment!



Daniel Mackenzie

Spanish

Excellent progress!

Ruby Dougherty & Wiktoria

Leska

DT

Excellent team work to figure out how to make their model of the toaster.



Miarose Puthen

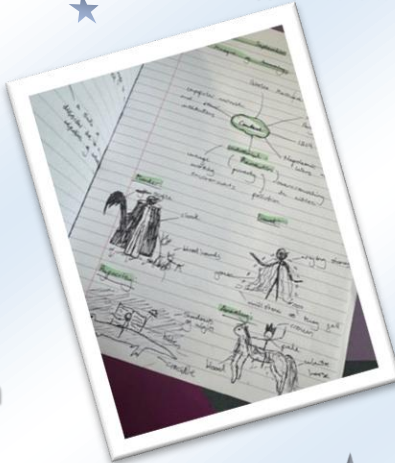
Art

Fantastic effort creating a beautiful stable for the Atrium.

George Baird

Art

Stunning portrait drawings.



Thomas Teklit &

Jake Richardson

Biology

Good focus and effort.



Josh Milson

DT

Fantastic quality practical's this term, a huge amount of skill and understanding shown.



Oscar Rutkowski

English

For his consistently polite, studious and mature behaviour in all lessons.



Marvelous Busola, Jayden

Jennings, Fabien, Noah

McElderry, David Offor,

Mia Sherwood & Wanda

Swietoslawska

Biology

Fantastic effort and attitude.

Jiatong Wu

Spanish

Excellent contributions and progress!



Euan Starforth & Julia

Oleszkiewicz

French

Consistently high levels of effort throughout this term. Well done!

Gray Oxnard

Chemistry

Great progress and knowledge of atomic structure.



Fabian Ufomadu

Maths

Fabian works so hard in maths lessons and puts in a lot of effort outside of the classroom.



John Komba

RE

An excellent start to Year 9!



Marvina Vardon

Spanish

Excellent progress.



Isla Mae, John

Komba-Kpakoi & Andy

Li

Chemistry

Great work!

Maisie Kurji-Stephens & Abraham Ayabam

Physics

Excellent effort in all lessons.



Lacey Askew

Art

High quality work and excellent attitude.



Sophia Lee & Abraham Ayabam

French

Consistently high levels of effort throughout this term. Well done!

Jasmine Akwueh

DT

Excellent creativity in design work and great outcomes in practical too.

Jorgie Emerson-Cathcart

Spanish

Excellent contributions and progress!

Ella Whittle

English

For her superbly satirical and impressively written speech on the importance of rules.



David Ofor

Maths

Great effort.



Caitie Bradley

RE

Making such brilliant progress in lessons!

Charlotte-May Rootes

QA

Overcoming challenges and showing perseverance to improve her attendance.



Sebastian Whitfields-Sykes & Tilly Wake

Physics

Good work in class and effort.



Year 10

Congratulations, Year 10, on a great first term of Key Stage 4. Your commitment to your GCSE and Vocational Studies has been consistently impressive, and staff across the school have spoken highly of your enthusiasm, resilience, and determination. This term you have also engaged thoughtfully with a range of different themes, leading assemblies on 'Holy Spirit', 'Wisdom', and 'You Are Holy'. The respect you show during thoughts & prayers, form mass, and assemblies demonstrates a growing awareness of how these themes shape your character and strengthen our school community.

These attitudes, combined with your academic focus, will place you in an excellent position as you continue your journey through Year 10.

Beyond your academic achievements, you have excelled in so many wider aspects of school life. Your involvement in extracurricular activities, from sports teams showing impressive skill and sportsmanship, to those taking on roles in school productions and creative projects, highlights the exceptional breadth of talent within the year group. There are so many ways in which you continue to shine together in faith, joy and love that it would be impossible to list everything in this summary!

Thank you for your hard work, kindness, and the positive energy you bring each day. I wish you all a peaceful, joyful, and thoroughly well-deserved Christmas break

Mr Brooks
Head of Year 10

Charlie Forrest, Poppy Colver, Oscar Watson & Myra Hathiramani

Biology
Excellent effort and attitude.



Emmanuel Fawehinmi & Owen Gooderick

Chemistry
Great knowledge shown in lessons.



Louis Dubois
French
Fantastic effort in lessons!

Oscar Watson
Computer Science
Fantastic programming skills.

Khloe Amune

Maths

Khloe has shown great commitment to this year.

Isabella Ryle & Tom

McCann

Biology

Great homework and classwork.

Jimena Areal-

Lomba

Computer Science

Fantastic programming skills.



Connie Hamlen

French

Superb attitude!

Elisabetta Strano

Health & Social Care

Demonstrating quiet resilience and dedication with work.

David Okapiec

Physics

Amazing positive attitude and effort in all lessons.



Will Marley

RE

A highly positive presence in the classroom.



Anna Matthews

10N

Fantastic spiritual input in Form Time.

Lizzie Devine

Maths

Lizzie has shown real determination to improve this year.

David Okapiec

Art

Consistently excellent work ethic.

Francisco Areal-Lomba

French

Great progress!



David Okapiec

Art

Consistently excellent work ethic.

Nio Almazan, David Okapiec & Jacob Milson

10N

Amazing participation in the Remembrance Services. Well done!

Amelia Dowden

Spanish

Excellent contributions and effort in lessons!

Benedict Vardon

Computer Science

Fantastic programming skills.

Emmanuel Fawehinmi
Computer Science
Fantastic programming



Emilia Siemens
English
For her superb engagement and participation in all lessons.

Chloe So & Zofia Schreiber
Chemistry
Fabulous attitude and effort in lessons.



Maisie Shaw
RE
Has made such an excellent start to her GCSEs.

Lan McLoughlin
Maths
Lan has a fabulous work ethic.

Demereo Witherspoon
Health & Social Care
Fantastic contribution to class discussion.

Zofia Schreiber
Art
Amazing quality.



Imogen Evans
Spanish
Excellent contributions and effort in Spanish lessons!

Hamish Farrell
RE
Excellent effort in all aspects of his studies.

Anna Matthews & Gabriel Ewart-Reid
Biology
Consistent excellent work.

Chloe So
Maths
Chloe is working really well and shows a great understanding of the subject.

All Year 10 D&T students
DT

The D&T department are over the moon with our new group of GCSE students. They are a fantastic group who have put so much effort into every task they have been given. They have shown high levels of engagement and have been a pleasure to teach. Well done Year 10!



Liam Organ, Aphina McClen, Myra Hathiramani & Kaylee Tang
10S

Creating wonderful Artwork for the Newcastle City Library Art Exhibition.

Kieran Chapman, Nina Delaroy, Liam Reekie & Owen Goodwick
Biology
Great start to GCSE.



Gabriel Ewart-Reid
Computer Science
Fantastic programming skills.

Hugo Watson

English

Consistently analysing our texts in a perceptive way and providing a fantastic level of detail in homework tasks.



Israel Itiose & Zoe

Valentine

Chemistry

Amazing start to GCSE!

Alice Fernandez

Maths

Great enthusiasm and effort.



Faye Robinson

French

Excellent progress.

Zofia Schreiber

DT

Excellent practical skills demonstrated in recent lessons - well done!

Nell Younger

French

Superb attitude.

Robyn Hedley Jacques

& Will Holburn

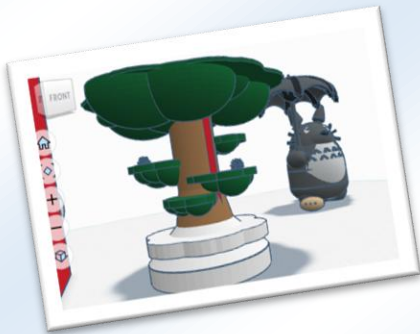
Physics

Excellent effort and attitude in lessons.

Lizzie Devine

RE

Excellent effort in all aspects of her studies



Jacob Job

10N

Great attitude shown since September. Mature and positive start to GCSEs!

Isabella Ryle

Maths

Great enthusiasm and effort.

Faith Rico

DT

Showing great patience and accuracy in sampling materials and processes.



Sebastian Hanney

Margallo

Biology

100% effort in every lesson.



Hannah Middleton, Zoe

Valentine & Emily Li

10S

A great support for 10S and always kind to others.

Masie Shaw

Health & Social Care

Fantastic contribution to class discussion.

Emilia Siemens, Lois Thoms

& Tilly Rose Maghie

Physics

Great start to GCSE!

Zoe Valentine

English

Superb effort across all lessons.

Francisco Areal-

Lomba

Computer Science

Fantastic programming skills.

David Russell &
Sarah Ehigie
Chemistry
Excellent effort in
lessons.

Lewis Marshall
French
Great first term of
GCSE!

Myra Hathiramani
Computer Science
Fantastic
programming skills.

Olly Wilson
Maths
Great enthusiasm
and effort.

Zofia Schreiber
English
Mature attitude and
excellent classwork every
lesson. Superb progress so
far.



Kaylee Tang
RE
Has made such an
excellent start to
her GCSEs

Naima Gomes
Health & Social Care
Fantastic contribution to
class discussion.

Nell Younger & Poppy
Colver
Physics
Great progress and
effort.



Anthony Stobbart
Art
Developing wonderful
drawing techniques.



Varun John, Will Koepl &
Cheuk Ying Ng
Biology
Great class participation.



Iwinosa Odeh & Ruby
Attoh-Ifeajuna
Chemistry
Superb effort.

Ruby Attoh Ifeajuna
DT
Brilliant CAD
development and CAD
outcome. Huge increase in
skills seen.



Amelia Dowden
10N
The best helper -
always gives up her
time to help others.

Albert Pozarlik
Physics
Super answers.

Tai Peacock
RE
Highly knowledgeable on
sources of wisdom and
authority.

Year 11

Year 11 have made a wonderful and inspiring start to what is such an important year for them. Each and every one of them has shown incredible resilience, and as a year group they remain determined not to let challenges stand in the way of their goals. Their mature, thoughtful approach to learning shines through every day, and it creates a calm, positive atmosphere in lessons that staff truly appreciate. Their behaviour continues to be exceptional, reflecting not only their respect for their learning but also their understanding of how precious this time is. Attendance and punctuality are also excellent, showing just how committed they are to giving themselves the best possible foundation for success.

Recently, Year 11 completed their Mock Examinations, and I cannot express how proud I was to watch them take on this challenge. They approached the exams with determination, focus, and courage, and their hard work will, I am sure, be reflected in some impressive results. Many staff have shared how moved they were by the students' maturity and the way they carried themselves throughout the entire process.

Beyond their studies, it has been a real joy to see Year 11 continuing to enrich the wider life of the school. Whether taking part in extra-curricular clubs, contributing to our Remembrance Service, or stepping into the spotlight for the School Production, they continue to show balance, enthusiasm, and a willingness to give back to our school community.

Thank you, Year 11, for everything you have given so far this year — your kindness, your effort, and your determination. You make our school a brighter place. And a heartfelt thank you to all parents and carers for the love, encouragement, and support you offer your children and our school every single day.

*Mrs Liddane
Head of Year 11*

Soliyana Wondwossen

English

Continually hard working and mature attitude to learning in every aspect of her work.

Isobel Richardson

Health & Social Care

Outstanding work on her PSA's.

Julia Glowacka &

Qasim Akhtar

Physics

Good focus and effort.

Savannah Forrest

Maths

Great effort.



Mateusz Szczygielski, Maria

Souza Monterio, Martha

Rodgers, Bethany Duncan,

Elisha Chabala, Emmanuel

Moses & Isabelle Wardle

Biology

Amazing effort.

Charlotte Burns

DT

Superb attitude to development in your NEA, always thinking about the next step and problem solving along the way. Brilliant work!

Gabby Shaw & Harry Crawford

Chemistry

Great effort in lessons.

Ebrahim Jallow

Maths

Ebrahim has shown an enormous improvement in his effort and application this year.

Mailey McCartney

Art

Positive and resilient.

Alicia Medina

RE

Such an excellent work ethic in the lead up to mock exams!

Hayden Birtton, Alana

Starkie, Max Douglas

& Tomasz Okapiec

Biology

Great effort and progress.



Poppy Dean

DT

Amazing layering of skills in your NEA - TinkerCAD, 3D printing, Silicone Casting and Jesmonite Casting. Well done!



Ava Maskey & Matthew Campbell

Chemistry

Excellent focus in lessons.

Aaron Mudie

RE

Such an excellent work ethic in the lead up to mock exams!



Stanley Kolanowski & Filip Wierzbicki
Geography

Great commitment to their mock revision, asking for additional past papers to practice with.

Cassey Junior
French
Great progress!



Alessia Rea
Maths

Alessia works so hard in maths lessons and puts in a lot of effort outside of the classroom.

Jessica Burnham
Art
Making improvements.

Paige Laurie
English

Incredible performance in her recent mock exam.

Matthew Campbell
RE

Such an excellent work ethic in the lead up to mock exams!



All Year 11 D&T students
DT

Mrs McVay & Mrs Harper are extremely proud of the time, effort and focus you have put into your NEA over the past term, there are some fabulous portfolios and potentially some amazing prototypes going to be made as an end result. Well done Year 11, keep it up!

Maja Iwan, Ben Kazlauskas & Julia

Glowacka
Chemistry

Fabulous work.

Chinaza Aneto

French
Great progress!



Havannah Huggins

Art

Developing wonderful paintings.

Simone Fazio & Oliver

Boullin

Physics

Excellent effort and contributions.

Rachel Saliu
Health & Social Care
Outstanding work on her PSA's.

Maddie Hogg & Harry Crawford

Biology

Great contributions in class and high-quality classwork.



Hannah Whitfield-Sykes & Tosin Coker

Chemistry

Wonderful effort in lessons.

Sarah Humphrey

Maths
Great effort.

Grace Chapman

French
Superb attitude!



Ruby Bonham

RE

Such an excellent work ethic in the lead up to mock exams!

Franek Swietoslowski

Art

Wonderful final piece.

Billy Jack Proud

Spanish

Excellent effort and progress!

David Gasper

English

Amazing contributions in class.

Anna Carr & Grace

Chapman

Biology

Wonderful effort and preparation for mock examinations.

Mylo Manso & Eidan De

Torres

Chemistry

Great preparation for mock examination.



Poppy Dean

DT

Poppy has shown excellent effort in her NEA development - well done Poppy, keep it up!

Jess Burham & Ava

Maskey

Physics

Great focus and effort.



Rachel Saliu, Alicia Medina & Gabi Gudel

Physics

Continued amazing work.

Micah Busola

English

Dedicated revision and preparation as well as excellent participation in class discussions.

Chinaza Aneto

Art

Great ideas.



Sixth Form

It has been a great first term for Year 12. I have been really impressed by the attitude, determination and effort of the students. It has been a pleasure to get to know the Year Group as their Head of Year. Year 12 continue to develop their skills and have displayed dedication and commitment to their learning by engaging in enrichments talks, Super-Curricular work and recording and logging all their extra work.

As you can see in this addition of Shine, Year 12 have worked incredibly hard and been great role models for the students in the lower school. I have been really impressed by the way the Year Group have made use of all the opportunities offered to them in the main school and Sixth Form. We have students who have been involved in the preparations for the musical, students who are involved in the Registration Reading and also supporting students in the lower school with maths intervention and other extra-curricular clubs. Students have also immersed themselves in the spiritual life of St Mary's through collection for local foodbanks, leading Form Group assemblies, with 12S doing a particularly moving assembly on the theme of You are Holy and their day-to-day engagement with the Theme of the Week and Thoughts and Prayers.

Thank you for all your efforts. I look forward to seeing what exciting things the new term brings for you.

Nefeli Gerasimidou

Art

Continuing to work hard and creating wonderful work.

Miss Durham.

Head of Year 12

Mariam Ahmed

Child Development

She has shown lot of resilience and dedication ensuring to meet deadlines for set work.

Jack Torley

*Physics
Hard work.*

Samantha Scott

Biology

Great resilience and effort in all lessons, homework and independent study.



With this being their final year of their time here at St Mary's, students in Year 13 have been making the most of the time they have left with us. They have continued to participate and at times lead, extra-curricular clubs around the school, as well as sending off applications to UCAS; all whilst studying hard for their first round of mock examinations in Year 13. This has made for an extremely busy term, but also a rewarding one as we see students successfully gain offers from universities and excel in their studies as their long hours of revision pays dividends.

In addition, Year 13 students are setting amazing examples as role models for the younger students by continuing to take part in the wider life of the school. Whether this be by partaking in this year's school musical; having a vital role in the Remembrance Services; or being ambassadors of St Mary's at our Open Evenings. On top of this, Year 13 are also striving to collect the full set of Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum Enrichment badges for their lanyards by attending an array of enrichment opportunities available in the Sixth Form. These range from listening to external speakers, to attending workshops and going on visits to universities.

Thank you to all Year 13 students for their fantastic efforts this term, and I look forward to seeing how we continue to go from strength-to-strength next term. Have a well-deserved restful Christmas break!

Mrs Francis
Head of Year 13

Lukas Kist

Psychology

He has shown excellent motivation and commitment to revision, resulting in huge progress.

Eve Robinson

DT

Excellent practical skills demonstrated in recent lessons - well done!

William Crawford
& Lucy Breeding

Physics

Consistent hard work.



Emily Moore

12Y

Highly dedicated to the wider life of the school.



Sophie Thompson

English

Amazing progress and answer in her Crime mock exam.



Stella Rickeard

Child Development

She has applied herself admirably to all new and challenging content covered so far.

Lince Shinto & Ruth

Watson Mckenna

Biology

Fabulous effort and attitude.



Lucie Robson

French

Excellent first term!

Olivia Berry

Spanish

Excellent effort and contributions to Spanish lessons!



Alex Donnelly

Chemistry

Great achievement.

Aimee Phillips

Psychology

She demonstrates great resilience and has made significant progress, engaging positively in every lesson.



Hailey Fernandes

Sociology

She completes all activities and consistently attempts every extension task. She works well with others and asks thoughtful, purposeful questions



Daniel Buggy

Biology

Excellent practical work.



Isobel Oliver

12Y

A polite, positive presence in the 6th Form.



Sophie Clarke

English

Always tries her hardest and classwork & homework is completed to an excellent standard.

Annie Middleton

DT

Great progress with your design for your NEA, you are on to something brilliant!



Serafina Damiani

12Y

Fantastic support for younger students in our school community!

Francesc Castro

Art

Listening to advice and always having a positive attitude.



Matthew George

DT

We are really impressed with you making skills and eye for design. Your angle poise lamp will be a standout piece



Ioulia Anagnosti

French

Fantastic work and effort!



**Alex Donnelly &
Thomas Thoppil**

Biology
Great recall and
independent study



Stephanie Guan

Biology
A shining star, always
happy to help and
give answers in
lessons.

Anna Mackenzie

French
Excellent first term
of A-Level!

**Fareed Acqua &
Adam Simpson**

Chemistry
Good focus in lessons.

Emily Holburn
DT

Emily has demonstrated good
progress in the Maths content in
lessons, well done your hard work
is paying off.

Hailey Fernandes

Art
Brilliant attitude.



Joseph Meachery

Chemistry
Excellent start to A
level.

Roisin Robinson

12S
Has settled into life
in St Mary's so well!



Ada Parkin

12Y
Excellent start to
6th Form!

Olivia Ashcroft

Chemistry
Excellent independent
study.

Miraldo Lopes Correia

Psychology
He shows real determination,
attempting all activities to the
best of his ability every lesson.

Oyku Dogus

Physics
Worked hard to
catch up.

**Oliver Cass &
Celina Guan**

Physics
Excellent effort and
attitude.



**Miraldo Lopes
Correia**

French
Superb progress!

Eva Squires

English
Excellent classwork
and homework.

Ralu Mingstones

Sociology
Excellent, mature approach to
her studies.

Luca Gibb
Art

Positive attitude.

**Freddie Welsh &
Roby Rose Colver**

Biology
Superb independent
study.

Samantha Scott

12Y
Has settled into life
in St Mary's so well!



Molly McGinley

Child Development

She has shown strong motivation to catch up on missed content, ensuring she fully understood everything she previously missed—an encouraging sign that she will thrive in this qualification.

Hannah Spoor

Sociology

Making great progress

Jason Yang & Sofia

Becerra Mugica

Physics

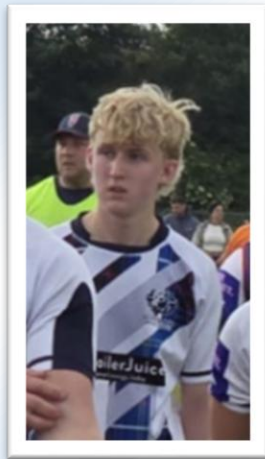
Continued hard work in all A level lessons and homework.



Elle Hatt

12Y

A polite, positive presence in the 6th Form.



Sahid Tuku & Harlan Croft

Biology

Great effort in Applied Science lessons.



Newton Agbidi

English

Superb progress in mock examinations

Alissa Korriku

Spanish

Excellent progress and effort.

Hermione Maddison

12S

Fantastic support for younger students in our school community!

Joseph Tickner

Sociology

He is showing an impressive understanding of a new subject in a short amount of time, making strong connections between topics and real-life situations.

Thomas Thoppil & Stephanie Guan

Chemistry

Excellent start to A-Level.

Adam Gebka & Sam McKinnell

Physics

Great contributions in lessons and good classwork.



Laurence Hattaway

French

Superb attitude!



Caitlin Landells

Health & Social Care

Great effort in learning for Unit 2 work.

Newton Agbidi & Lince Shinto

Chemistry

Excellent effort and consistency in A-Level.

Luke Taylor

English

Excellent progress in Tragedy mock and great contributions to class discussions.



Finnley Brown, Newton Agbidi, Romarc Azana & Vincenzo

Fazio

Biology

Great classwork and effort in all lessons

Isabella Davies

Spanish

Excellent progress and effort.



**Scarlett Rae Belshaw, Toby Lam
& Krist Oikonomi**

Physics

Great effort in lessons for Applied
Science lessons.

**Diana Morosan &
Hannah Ojo**

Chemistry

Great participation in
all lessons.

**Adeline Bourgenot-
Lewis**

Child Development

Adeline has made effort
to organise herself to
catch up on set work.

**Bella Abdulla, Roisin Robinson,
Ed Hodgson, Jack Torley, Joel
Cliefe, Emily Moore, Angela
Rose Atkins & Ethan Amis**

English

Fantastic class discussions and
hard work every lesson.



Annie Ramsey

Biology

Fabulous start to A
level, excellent recall



Emmy Whitelock

Sociology

Working very hard to
produce
comprehensive notes.

**Evangeline
Coward**

12Y

Highly dedicated to
the wider life of the
school.



Oliver King

Psychology

He asks thoughtful, inquisitive
questions about the content and
makes strong links between
different topics.



Alex Donnelly

12S

Achieving his Black
Belt in Taekwondo.



Jay Ewing

Sociology

Excellent, mature
approach to his studies.

**Jenny Whittaker
& Matthew Scott**

Physics

Great work ethic and
effort.



**Annabel Mostyn &
Jasmija Mukuntharajah**

Chemistry

Super start to Year 13!



**Adeline Bourgenot-
Lewis**

French

Great progress!

Jemima Kerr

12Y

Has settled into life
in St Mary's so well!



Keira Maccabe

Health & Social Care

Has recently been making
concerted effort to catch up
and complete unfinished set
work.

Maya Clarke

12Y

Fantastic support for younger
students in our school community!