



Thursday 19th February 2026

Dear Parents/Guardians

As we come to the end of another successful half term we want to reflect on the achievements, experiences and moments of joy that have shaped our school community. Our pupils have worked hard, embraced challenges and continued to demonstrate the values that make St. Mary's a special place to learn and grow.

At St. Mary's our curriculum is designed to inspire curiosity, confidence and compassion. It builds knowledge and skills progressively so every child is supported to reach their potential. Lessons are carefully planned to ensure learning is sequenced and consolidated, fostering understanding and a love of learning that extends beyond the classroom.

Our junior leadership groups have continued to flourish this term. Many pupils have confidently presented assemblies to the school. These opportunities empower pupils to contribute to school life, support others and act as positive role models.

A particularly special moment this half term was coming together to receive ashes on Ash Wednesday, marking the beginning of Lent. Lent is a time for reflection and renewal, encouraging us to grow in generosity, kindness and patience. It was heartening to see our school community united in this meaningful tradition.

As we approach the half-term break we hope all families enjoy a restful pause. We look forward to welcoming pupils back for the second half of the term ready to continue their learning and embrace the exciting opportunities ahead.

Thank you for your continued support in making St. Mary's a vibrant, welcoming and inspiring school community.

Best wishes

A McClurey & N Bennett

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March 2026

Thursday 5th March 2026

- **Book Week** - St Mary's love reading!
- **World Book Day** - children are invited to come into school wearing something they love!

Week Beginning 16th March 2026 – British Science Week

Tuesday 17th March 2026

- **Key Stage 1 – Quick Science Experiment** 8:45–9:00am in the classrooms

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- **Key Stage 2 – Quick Science Experiment** 8:45–9:00am in the classrooms
- **STAR BOOKS – Year 6** 8:45–9:15am in the classroom

Week Beginning 23rd March 2026

Monday 23rd – Friday 27th March 2026

- **STAR BOOKS – 8:45–9:15am - in the classrooms**
 - Monday – Year 1
 - Tuesday – Year 2
 - Wednesday – Year 3
 - Thursday – Year 5
 - Friday – Year 4
- **Small Easter Fair - Friday 27th March 3.30 - 4.30pm School Hall**

Wednesday 25th March 2026

- **Feast of the Annunciation – Own Clothes Celebration Day**

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Week Beginning 30th March 2026 - Holy Week Liturgies - parents are welcome to attend

Monday 30th March 2026

- **Y2 - Palm Sunday Liturgy**
 - 2:45pm in the hall

Tuesday 31st March 2026

- **Y3 - Last Supper Liturgy**
 - 2:45pm in the hall

Wednesday 1st April 2026

- **Y4 - Garden of Gethsemane Liturgy**
 - 2:45pm in the hall

Thursday 2nd April 2026

- **Y5 - Stations of the Cross Liturgy**
 - 2:45pm in the hall

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