



# St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter – 10<sup>th</sup> January 2025

## School details

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## Our Parish Links

St. Mary's Lea Town, Darkinson Lane and

St. Andrew and Blessed George Haydock, Hoyles Lane Cottam.

[www.standrewscottam.org.uk](http://www.standrewscottam.org.uk)



'Loved and Inspired by Mary ....

We shine and learn as a family of God'

Welcome back and on behalf of everyone at St. Mary's we wish you a Happy and Healthy New Year. I hope you have had a wonderful Christmas Break and have enjoyed lots of family time.

We have certainly had a variety of weather- From the heavy rain and flooding to ice, sleet and snow!

Thank you for your kind offers of support with our recent flooding once again. I continue to liaise with multi agencies to try and permanently resolve these issues and as you know we will always endeavour to ensure school is open as long as it is safe.





## **OFSTED – Final Report Issued today**

Your child will bring home today a copy of our recent OFSTED inspection (3.12.24)

We are very proud of this report which reflects the hard work and dedication of the entire school family. A copy can also be found on our school website. Thank you to all our families for your ongoing support.

## **16.1.25 – Wear your PJ Day- Supporting those affected by extreme weather £1.00**

Our Head Boy Harry and Head Girl Annie have been reflecting on the extremes of weather we have been having recently. From immense flooding to the wildfires we have seen many struggle and seen many images in the news. We have reflected upon the impact this has on families and have lit candles in our assembly.

*“We have decided to have a Pyjama Day on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> of January. We would ask that you donate £1, which we will give to charity to help those who have been affected by the extreme weather throughout America and England. Thank you for supporting us” Annie and Harry*

## **St. Mary's Church Christmas Raffle – A Thank you from the Parish**

Mrs. Fitzpatrick would like to extend her thanks on behalf of the Parish of St. Mary's for all who supported the St. Mary's Church Raffle!

The Raffle raised a fantastic £417.00 for school. £213.50 will go towards books and the other £213.50 will go to the School Helping Hands Charity.

We are so grateful of our support and hope all the lucky winners enjoy their prizes!

## **First Holy Communion – Year 3**

We are approaching the time of year again when pupils in Year 3 are invited to take the next step on their faith journey as they make their First Holy Communion.

Letters have been issued already. If you do require any additional information please speak to myself, Mrs. Brogden or Mr. Catterall.

## **Staff contacts**

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## **Dates for your diary**

17.1.24 – Class One Trip to the Leyland Museum

27.1.24- Reception and Year 6 Heights and Weights within School (School Nursing)

14.2.24- School closes for half term at 3.15 pm

## **Useful Information**

### **School times**

School Start 08.45 am

School Finish time 15.15 pm

### **Forest School** – This commenced w/c 09.09.24

Monday: Class 1 Forest School

Wednesday: Class 3 OR class 4 Forest School – Autumn 1 Class 3 Autumn 2 Class 4

Friday: Class 2

### **PE Days**

**Class 1:** Wed pm and Fri pm

**Class 2:** Tue pm and Wed pm

**Class 3:** Monday pm and Thurs pm

**Class 4:** Tuesday (Swimming) \*\* and Thursday pm \*\* Swimming commenced from 10.9.24

## **Big School Adventures**

Big School Adventures resumed this week (Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024)

## **Helping Hands**

With the support of St. Mary's Parish, we have created a '*Helping Hands Fund*' – This means we have a stock of tinned food / non-perishable items and toiletries ...So, if you ever need a little '**Helping Hand**' please just ask and we can gladly put a pack together.

## Celebration Awards

	Faith in Action Award Winner	'EAT' Award Winner Explore, Active, Think creatively	Welfare Award Winner
Class 1	Euan Smith	Matilda Beardall	Maya Anogeianakis
Class 2	Ella-Grace McLaughlin	Poppy Brown	
Class 3	Chloe Brogden	Max Tidmarsh	Louisa Nelson
Class 4	Annie Nelson	Nicholas Bielas-Barnes	

