

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter –28th February 2025

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'Loved and Inspired by Mary

We shine and learn as a family of God'



It has been lovely to welcome everyone back after half term and I hope you all had some wonderful family time, adventures and fun. Thank you for sharing your E.A.T. Passport activities with your staff teams. Here is a little snapshot of your amazing adventures and the E.A.T challenges you completed over half term. Keep sending in your pictures on See Saw or via your Passport wallets!!



Formal Consultation Period - Consultation to covert to Academy status and join Mater Ecclesiae Multi Academy Trust

As you will be aware from the texts and letter sent home we have begun a Formal Consultation period in line with the Bishops Vision for all Catholic School to become part of a Multi Academy Trust by 2026. Please send any comments or queries via Head@lea-st-marys.lancs.sch.uk and these will be forwarded on. Full details and additional links can be found on the homepage of our school website.

Lent

Next week we enter into the Special period of Lent a time where we are called to repent and reflect. All pupils will have brought home a Lenten planner and this can also be found on our school website. Each Thursday we have Lenten Mass from 8.15 at St. Mary's and a whole school activity. For your ease below are details of next week's events. During this special period of Lent we aim to support many different charities close to our hearts. We reflect on the Scripture from Matthew Chapter 25 v 40 " *The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me'*"

Thursday 6th March: Mass at 8.15 at St. Mary's Church ALL welcome, followed by Lenten Breakfast in the school hall. Pupils must be accompanied by an adult or handed over to a staff member before the start of Mass. Pupils may only attend the Lenten Breakfast if they have attended Mass.

Thursday event: Dress up as a World Book Day character. £1.00 monies raised go to St. Catherine Hospice.

Creepy Crawly Roadshow

On Wednesday Jon from the Creepy Crawly Roadshow came to visit us once more in school and brought a selection of 'friends' along with him!! He brought his tortoise, Harry, who was the same species as our school tortoise Sheldon.....just a little bit bigger!

Pupils has the chance to learn about the different insects and reptiles and even hold some, check out the pictures below.....

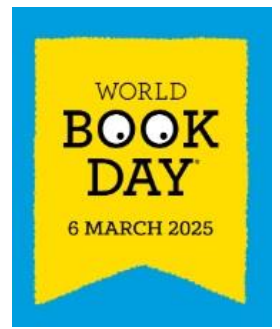
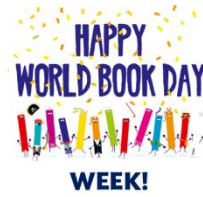


"The snake felt really heavy!" Bradley, Class 2
"It was a lovely experience getting to see and hold the animals" Jessica, Class 4

World Book Week @ St Mary's!



St Catherine's
hospice care



Next week we will be celebrating World Book Week here @ St Mary's, with a **WHOLE WEEK** of book and story themed activities across school!

From character drawing to sharing stories, to **LIVE** lessons for every classes and of course... dressing up day! Check out the timetable below to see what will be happening across school.

On Friday, St Mary's will be hosting a book sale, sponsored and supported by St Catherine's Hospice, who have kindly donated a **HUGE** number of new books for us to sell at school- most books are just 50p to buy, with a few larger books being only £1 or £2.

Charity Fundraiser- Ella Jackson's Challenge

I am doing 100 squats a day to raise money for Cancer Research. This is a very special Charity because lots of my family have had cancer and I want to be able to help other people. Ella Jackson, Class 4

<https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/vickys-giving-page-481815>

Dates for your diary

3.3.25 – Wonder Dome – All classes – Letters issued

5.3.25 – Vikings –Class 4 – Letters issued

- Swimming gala- Letters issued

6.3.25- World Book Day – Lenten Activities – See planner (also on our website)

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 takes place every Thursday from 1.15 pm until 3pm

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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	Jude Troup	Diana Stec
Class 2	Pippa Doherty	Reggie Hennerley	
Class 3	Jimmy Skeffington	Amelia Patel	Isabella Bolton-Rigby
Class 4	Meeya Patel	Ella Jackson	

