

**14th November 2025**

# **Saint Mary's RC Primary School Weekly Newsletter**



## **Our week...**

What a reflective and meaningful week we've had . All pupils have taken part in Remembrance activities, carefully examining images of remembrance and spending time in thoughtful reflection. Our wonderful pupil GIFT Team attended a liturgy in the Church grounds, led by Father O'Brien, and did a fantastic job of reading. I was incredibly proud of how respectful all pupils were during the 2 minutes silence.

Pupils from our Dolphins, Quackers, and Lobsters classes attended a special Requiem Mass at church alongside other parish schools, continuing our tradition of community and remembrance.

I'm also thrilled to celebrate our amazing Book Fair this year! It has been super busy, and I want to thank everyone for their patience. The school gets to keep a portion of the takings to spend on books for our classrooms - we'll share the exact amount with you as soon as we know. Thank you so much for every single purchase which has contributed to this wonderful event.

Looking ahead, we're getting ready for our Christmas Fair on Friday 28th November. We've got a few new treats in store for you this year, and we can't wait to share more details soon!

I also wanted to share an important community update. Saint Mary's has had a Brownie and Rainbow unit since 1965, led by Shelley Robinson. She will be stepping away from these soon after many years of fun! If anyone is interested in taking this on or knows someone who might be, please get in touch with Shelley directly at shelleyrobinson01@btinternet.com. It would be such a shame to lose this long-standing community group.

Raffle tickets are now on sale for the event on 28th November. Tickets are £1 each and can be purchased from class teachers. There are lots of amazing prizes to be won - you have to be in it to win it!

### **This month's worship newsletter for families:**

**This newsletter gives a great overview of what our school assemblies will cover this November and prayers for you to say together at home:**

**<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>**

### **This week's Bible Scripture:**

**Luke 21: 5-19**

**"By your endurance  
you will gain your lives"**



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## Attendance

Meerkats- 92%  
Ladybirds 83%  
Wallabies- 98%  
Rhinos- 95%  
Wolf Cubs- 99%  
Eagles- 96%  
Dolphins- 97%  
Quackers- 91%  
Lobsters- 96%  
Whole School- 95%



## Stars of the Week- for being respectful by showing good listening

Meerkats- George  
Ladybirds- Laura  
Wallabies- Emelin  
Rhinos- Abraham  
Wolf Cubs- Albi  
Eagles- Axll  
Dolphins- Joey  
Quackers- Leah-Rey  
Lobsters- Aleeza



## Team Points

  
Arrowsmith

4950

5110

  
Campion

  
Barlow

5105

5120

  
Southworth

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## **Wraparound Care**

We now have full wrap around care led by Play and Learn Scheme.

Times are as follows:

- Breakfast Club 7.30am-8.35am £7 per day including breakfast
  - Breakfast Club 8am- 8.35am £4 per day including breakfast
  - Afterschool Club 3.15-5.30pm £11 per day including a snack
  - Afterschool Club 3.15-4.30pm £7 per day including a snack
  - Afterschool Club 4.30-5.30pm (if pupils have already been in a club e.g. choir and wish to join afterschool club after this) £7 per day including a snack
- To book, please click the link: <http://www.pals.schoolipal.co.uk/>

For any questions, please email [playandlearnscheme@gmail.com](mailto:playandlearnscheme@gmail.com) or call 07930924993

Play and Learn Scheme have begun the running of the breakfast and after school club provision in school and this is going really well! Pupils who have attended this week have thoroughly enjoyed their sessions. Don't forget to register to use the service using the link so that you can book your child on at any time (more details below). If you are dropping pupils off at breakfast club or collecting from after school club please ring the black doorbell rather than the school doorbell.



## **School Uniform**

At Saint Mary's we take pride in our appearance and know that first impressions count. We strive for all pupils to look smart and tidy when in school.

Our uniform policy can be found here:

Any pupil not wearing correct uniform will be asked to wear spare uniform from school until this can be rectified. Parents and carers will also be informed.



## **Safe Parking**

Please respect that 260 children must enter and exit school safely each day. This partly relies upon everyone parking safely and with due regard for others, including our neighbours. Please do not park across drives or in restricted areas.

Please can we ask that the staff car park is kept clear for staff cars ONLY. Some parents/Carers are pulling into the entrance to the carpark, especially in a morning and this is preventing staff from parking and is causing traffic on Mayfield Avenue.

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**PE Days  
3rd Nov- 19<sup>th</sup> Dec**



**Meerkats- Wed and Thurs  
Ladybirds- Thurs and Fri  
Wallabies- Tues and Wed  
Rhinos- Tues and Wed  
Wolf Cubs- Tues and Thurs  
Eagles- Mon and Fri  
Dolphins- Tues and Fri  
(swimming)  
Quackers- Mon and Fri  
(swimming)  
Lobsters-Friday**

## **Upcoming Dates**

**21<sup>st</sup> November- Non-uniform for bottle items**

**25th November- Whole School Panto Trip**

**28<sup>th</sup> November- Christmas Fair (no Awards Assembly)**

**1<sup>st</sup> Dec- Lobsters' Stay and Learn (letter to follow)**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Dec- EYFS/KS1 Christmas Craft Session (letter to follow)**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Dec- KS2 Christmas Craft Session (letter to follow)**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Dec- Ladybirds Stay and Learn (letter to follow)**

**3<sup>rd</sup> Dec- GIFT Team Family Worship 2.45pm**



## **Church News**

**Saturday Evening Mass-  
6.30pm**

**Sunday Morning Mass-  
10am**



**Have a  
wonderful  
weekend**