

7th November 2025

Saint Mary's RC Primary School Weekly Newsletter



Our week...

We've had some wonderful experiences in our school this week. Tri Kidz visited us and led an incredible duathlon session for our pupils (except our EYFS children). Our pupils ran and cycled with tremendous energy and enthusiasm. I was particularly proud to hear the Tri Kidz team praising our children for their exceptional behaviour and listening skills throughout the activities.

This week has also been a special time of reflection and hope. The Diocesan 'anchor' representing the Year of Hope visited our school, continuing its journey across Salford Diocese. Our GIFT Team received the anchor from pupils at Saint Anne's and Saint Joseph's on Monday. On Tuesday, we held a whole school Celebration of the Word where every class created an anchor chain, writing about their personal hopes and ways we can share hope with others. During our liturgy, we joined these chains together, and each pupil symbolically crossed the river with the anchor, proclaiming "I am a pilgrim of hope". The Gift Team then delivered the anchor to Mount Carmel on Wednesday where it will continue its journey.

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! Please also don't forget to pay online for the upcoming whole school trip to watch the pantomime Snow White on 25th November.

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:

John 2: 13-22

**"He was speaking
about the temple of his
body"**



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Attendance

Meerkats- 91%
Ladybirds 83%
Wallabies- 94%
Rhinos- 97%
Wolf Cubs- 98%
Eagles- 93%
Dolphins- 93%
Quackers- 89%
Lobsters- %96
Whole School- 93%



Stars of the Week- for being ready by following instructions straight away

Meerkats- Andy
Ladybirds- Theo
Wallabies- Harper
Rhinos- Vincent
Wolf Cubs- Mila
Eagles- Maira
Dolphins- Zoya
Quackers- Julia
Lobsters- Amelia G



Team Points


Arrowsmith

5900

6105


Campion


Barlow

6165

5865


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 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- 19th 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

**12th, 13th, 14th November-
Book Fair after school**

**13th November- GIFT
Team Family Worship
2.45pm**

**14th November- Non-
uniform for chocolate
items**

**14th November- NO
Awards Assembly due to
Book fair**

**21st November- Non-
uniform for bottle items**

**24th November- Whole
School Panto Trip**

**28th November-
Christmas Fair (no
Awards Assembly)**



Church News

**Saturday Evening Mass-
6.30pm**

**Sunday Morning Mass-
10am**



**H a v e a
w o n d e r f u l
w e e k e n d**