

19th September 2025

Saint Mary's RC Primary School Weekly Newsletter



Our week...

Another busy week has passed in school!

First, a big congratulations to Quacker's Class for their fantastic Cake Sale, which raised an impressive £110! This is a wonderful example of our pupils' creativity and community spirit. Such initiatives not only support fundraising but also teach our pupils valuable skills about teamwork and social responsibility. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all parents and carers who attended our recent Meet the Teacher evening. These opportunities for connection are crucial in building strong partnerships between home and school, ensuring we can best support our pupils' learning and development.

A gentle reminder to those who haven't already: please sign up to SeeSaw. This digital platform is an excellent way for class teachers to keep you informed and connected with your child's educational journey. It provides a direct line of communication and allows you to stay updated on your child's progress and classroom activities.

Next Friday, we have our Macmillan Coffee Afternoon from 2:45-3:45pm, which will be led by our fantastic school council. We warmly welcome all cake donations to support this wonderful cause. This event is not just about raising funds for a great charity, but also about bringing our school community together.

This month's worship newsletter for families:

This newsletter gives a great overview of what our school assemblies will cover this September 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 16: 1-13

**"You cannot serve
God and money"**



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Attendance

Meerkats- 99%
Ladybirds 96%
Wallabies- 98%
Rhinos- 99%
Wolf Cubs- 99%
Eagles- 94%
Dolphins- 96%
Quackers- 93%
Lobsters- 91%
Whole School- 96%



Stars of the Week- for being ready by starting work straight away

Meerkats- Lennon
Ladybirds- Haniya
Wallabies- Lamisah
Rhinos- Isabella L
Wolf Cubs- Hallie
Eagles- Hanna
Dolphins- Joby
Quackers- Alicja
Lobsters- Laura



Team Points



Arrowsmith

5385

5610



Campion



Barlow

5505

5430



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 Sept- 24th Oct**



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

Upcoming Dates

**26th Sept- Macmillan
Coffee Afternoon (no
Awards Assembly)**

**3rd October- CAFOD
Family Fast Day (letter
to follow)**

**8th October- School
Open Day for Reception
2026**

**20th October- Parents'
Evening (letter to
follow)**

**24th October- Non-
Uniform for luxury
hamper items (letter to
follow)**

**24th October- School
closes for half term**



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**

We love, learn and grow together with Jesus

HOLIDAY LIST 2025/2026

AUTUMN TERM 2025

Re-open	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025
Closure after school on	Friday 24 th October 2025
Mid-term closure	Monday 27 th October- Friday 31 st October
Closure after school on	Friday 19 th December 2025

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SPRING TERM 2026

Re-open	Monday 5 th January 2026
Closure after school on	Thursday 12 th February 2026
Mid-term closure	Friday 13 th February – Friday 20 th February
Closure after school	Friday 27 th March 2026

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SUMMER TERM 2026

Re-open	Monday 13 th April 2026
May Day closure	Monday 4 th May 2026
Closure after school on	Friday 22 nd May 2026
Mid-term closure	Monday 25 th May – Friday 29 th May
Closure after school on	Thursday 16 th July 2026

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Total openings 190