

16th May 2025

Saint Mary's RC Primary School Weekly Newsletter



Our week...

This week has been incredibly hard for our Year 6 pupils as they have taken their SATs tests. They all approached the tests with confidence and resilience and their positive attitudes served them well. Tests are now completed and the whole Year 6 cohort have celebrated this afternoon by having a visit from the ice cream van! Tuesday was the feast day of Our Lady of Fatima. Pupils in all classes gave taken part in a pilgrimage around our sensory pathway looking at why Our Lady of Fatima is important and why we celebrate her. Next week, Father O'Brien will also be in school discussing her as an important Saint with all classes.

Rhinos enjoyed a fabulous trip to Brockholes nature reserve on Monday. They were blessed with beautiful weather and made fires, toasted marshmallows and went pond dipping. more photos can be seen on our website here:

<https://www.stmarysoswaldtwistle.co.uk/school-events-personal-development/>

Next Thursday we will hold our annual Crowning of Our Lady liturgy. We are asking pupils to bring in donations of plants which we will plant around the statue of Our Lady in the school garden and around the playgrounds.

This month's worship newsletter for families:

This newsletter gives a great overview of what our school assemblies will cover this May 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 13: 31-33

"Now the Son of Man is glorified and God is glorified in him"



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Attendance

Meerkats- 94%
Ladybirds-89%
Dolphins- 93%
Rhinos- 100%
Wolf Cubs- 97%
Eagles- 98%
Tigers- 95%
Quackers-97%
Lobsters- 99%
Whole School- 96%



Stars of the Week- for showing compassion towards others

Meerkats- Martina
Ladybirds-Jerry
Dolphins- Augustas
Rhinos- Ezra
Wolf Cubs- Liam
Eagles- Benjamin
Tigers- Leah-Rey
Quackers- Alicja
Lobsters- Maja

Team Points



3170

3210



3150

3315



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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 270 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
14th April- 23rd May**



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

Upcoming Dates

12-15th May- KS2 SATs

**15th May- Tiger's Stay
and Learn**

**22nd May- New
Reception Intake
Meeting 6.30pm**

**23rd May- School closes
for May Half Term**

**2nd June- School re-
opens**

Church News

**Saturday Evening Mass-
6.30pm**

**Sunday Morning Mass-
10am**

