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Newsletter

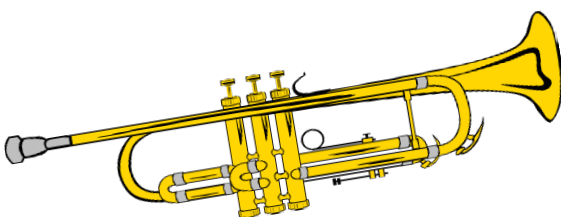
As we come to the end of Holy week, we prepare, remember and reflect on Christ's passion and resurrection. Our children have taken part in masses, class worship, stay and pray and meditation focused on strengthening our school values of **faith, joy, love, dignity, forgiveness, community, and honesty**. It is our wish that these values will be lived at St Mary's and become habits that our children take with them throughout their lives.

Y5 Assembly

Our fantastic children in Y5 started our preparations for Holy Week with a phenomenal performance of Resurrection Rock. They told the Easter story through song so confidently and clearly. Well done Y5 - you smashed it!

Y5/4 Brass Concert

Our Y5/Y4 children blew us away with their musical skills this term, performing several tunes skillfully. All could see the progress the children have made under the instruction of the fantastic Mr. Simms.



Y3 Easter Gardens

Our Y3 children displayed their thoughtful Easter gardens this week with some excellent creative and original examples. Well done to all!

Reception Trip

Our children in Reception class had a wonderful time on their trip to Manchester Airport. They enjoyed lots of different activities and role play opportunities linked to aircraft and travel. Thanks to all staff and parents who supported the children on this lovely visit.



Y6 Sats Preparation

Our Y6 children continue to work hard to prepare for their national test which will commence in May. If you would like to support them at home, please visit the school website where you will find lots of advice and different activities to help your child with revision.

Egg in a box

Our Key Stage Two egg in a box competition was a huge success this week with some fantastic original creations. Again, well done to all!

Sickness Bugs

A gentle reminder to all. If your child is sick or has an upset tummy, please keep them at home forty-eight hours after their last episode. This helps stop the spread of infection to others. Children work very closely together and nasty germs can sometimes take over.

Key dates for Your Diary: Summer Term 2026

	Summer Half Term 1
15.04.26	Y4 trip to Blackpool Tower
16.04.26	Easter Discos (See Advertisement Below)
17.04.26	House Prize Own Clothes day
22.04.26	Football League at Oldham Sports Centre
24.04.26	Y2 Poetry Recital Details to Follow
29.04.26	Y2 Trip to Southport Eco-Centre
04.05.26	School Closed Bank Holiday
08.05.26	Non-Uniform Day for donations for Spring Fair TBC
11.05.26	Y6 Sats Week
13.05.26	Y1 Poetry Recital Details to Follow
14.05.26	Nursery Ugly Bug Ball
15.05.26	May Procession and Crowning of our Lady in Church TBC
16.05.26	PTA Spring Fair
21.05.26	Grandparents' Afternoon Details to Follow
22.05.26	Y2 Parents' Assembly
22.05.26	School Closes
	Summer Half Term 2
08.06.26	School Opens
08.06.26	Y4 MTC Test Week
08.06.26	Y1 Phonic Screening Test Week
10.06.26	Y5 Eco Trip to Southport
10.06.26	Football League at Oldham Leisure Centre
11.06.26	Y6 Crucial Crew Trip
18.06.26	Y4 Come and Play at The Halle
19.06.26	Y3 Holy Communions in Church
23.06.26	Turing House Celebration
24.06.26	Oldham Schools Y6 Mass
25.06.26	Catholic Netball and Football Tournament
26.06.26	Y1 Parents' Assembly
26.06.26	Y3 Holy Communions in Church
01.07.26	Y1 Artwork Display 3.00pm
03.07.26	Y3 Holy Communions in Church
08.07.26	Y1 Trip Imagine That Liverpool
09.07.26	Emmaus School Mass at St Patrick's Church
09.07.26	Y6 Leaver's Mass and Disco
10.07.26	Y4/Y5 Brass Concert 2.30pm
10.07.26	Y2 Artwork Display at 3.00pm
13.07.26	End of Year Mass and School Awards 9.30am in Church

14.07.26	Whole School Well Being Day
15.07.26	Y6M Leaver's Assembly
16.07.26	Y6B Leaver's Assembly
17.07.26	School Closes 1.30pm

We strive to keep parents/carers informed about school events as early as possible. ***If a new event is added to the list or there has been a date change, we will inform through text message and include in the next newsletter.***

Class Assemblies

All children will participate in an assembly within the academic year.

Please see our class assembly dates. Assemblies start at approximately 9.15am to allow time for the children to be registered and ready for the performance.

Year 1	26.06.26
Year 2	22.05.26
Year 6 M	15.07.26
Year 6 B	16.07.26

Preparation for Easter

In Lent, we remember the hope that only Jesus can bring, and then we celebrate with faith when that hope is realised on Easter Sunday.

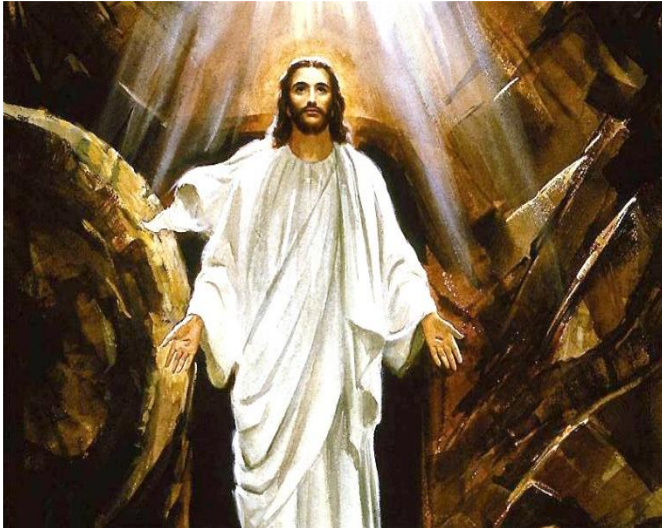
With your families, you might like to...

- Talk about hope - a positive feeling that encourages us. You might want to compare the hopes of different members of the family or talk about hope in different contexts e.g. hope in family life, hopes for the world, hope in our faith.
- Read the story of The Prodigal Son together (**Luke 15:1-3, 11-32**) and talk about the actions of the father and his two sons. The feelings of the faithful son who stays with his father might be interesting to explore, particularly with older children.
- Think about the part forgiveness and saying sorry has within family life, perhaps acknowledging that this can be challenging and needs to be practised. For older children, you might wish to discuss the Sacrament of Reconciliation as part of their Lenten preparations and perhaps plan a visit to church to receive this important sacrament.

**Lord,
Thank you for this opportunity to nurture the faith
of the children in our school
By the power of your Holy Spirit, lead and guide
us as we prepare for Easter and bless each and
every child with an open heart and mind to hear
your Word.**

In your name, Jesus.

Amen



Connect with our children by checking in on our school website and our Instagram account to keep up to date with the many lessons, events and activities that take place weekly here at St Marys.

**From all the staff at St Mary's may
we wish all our families a Happy
and Holy Easter**

**ST MARY'S
Easter
DISCO**

THURSDAY 16TH APRIL 2026

TICKET PRICE £3. PAYMENT TO BE MADE VIA ARBOR

YEARS 3 AND 4

THE DISCO WILL TAKE PLACE FROM 4PM - 5PM
CHILDREN WILL RECEIVE JUICE AND A SNACK PACK
TO TAKE HOME.

YEARS 5 AND 6

THE DISCO WILL TAKE PLACE FROM 5:15PM - 6:15PM
CHILDREN WILL RECEIVE JUICE AND A SNACK PACK
TO TAKE HOME.