St Mary's RC Primary and Nursery School

Week 9 7th Nov 2025

Robinwood

Next Monday, our Year 6 children will be attending a residential trip at Robinwood in Wrexham. They will be returning to school on Wednesday 12th. I know they will have a fantastic time and we all look forward to hearing their tales of all the adventurous activities which they have been

Parents' Evening

Parents' evening will take place on Monday 17th November from 3:30pm until 6:30pm and Thursday 20th November from 3:30pm until 6:00pm. The link to book appointments will go live on Monday 10th November at 4pm. If you have a child in Nursery, details for your parents evening will follow shortly. If you have a child in the ICAN room, Mrs Price will be in touch to arrange appointments directly with yourselves.

Birthdays

A very happy birthday to Niall, Ruairi, Harriet, Zachary, Keanna, Reuben, Robin and Rome who have all celebrated birthdays this week or over the weekend.

I hope you all had/have a wonderful day.

Stars of the Week

Congratulations to each of our stars of the week: Theo, Zendaya, Leonie, Tiannah, Jace, Harvey and Esme who have received a star of the week award for learning.

Congratulations to each of our stars of the week: Kate, Jaxon, Michael, Harry, Ethan, Albie and Joshua who have been award star of the week for behaviour.

Christmas Finishing Times

An early reminder, that at Christmas, school will be closing for the holidays at 1:30pm. This is a change to past years but may have an impact on working parents who may need to arrange childcare.

The holiday pattern for 2026-27 will be released as soon as it has been ratified by governors.



10 th /11 th /12 th Nov	Year 6 Robinwood trip		
10 TH Nov	Reception intake Open day 3:30pm – 4:45pm		
11 th Nov	Parents taster session.		
14 th Nov	Football tournament		
17 th Nov	Parents' Evening 1		
20 th Nov	Parents' Evening 2		
27 th Nov	Mad Science Assembly		
1 st Dec	KS1 Nativity Dress Rehearsal		
3 rd Dec	KS1 Nativity Performance 9:30am		
4 th Dec	KS1 Nativity Performance 9:30am		
9 th Dec	EYFS Nativity Dress Rehearsal		
11 th Dec	EYFS Nativity Performance 9:30am		
17 th Dec	Creative homework display		
19 th Dec	Close for Christmas 1:30pm		

Parish News

The parish newsletter can be viewed by clicking the link here: Newsletters

Safeguarding

Our safeguarding team at St. Mary's consists of Miss Johnson, Mr Knapper and myself. If you wish to discuss any concerns with us, please ask and at least one of us will be available. All of our staff are safeguard trained, and we are here to keep your children safe and happy at all times.

Merit Badges

Congratulations to Athena, Ruairi, Joshua, Niall, Imaan, Baxter, Robin, Daisy, Eugene, Leo, Harvey, Grace, max and Maisie who have been awarded merit badges for superb work and effort for the month of October. A lovely achievement for each child.

Attendance.

	F2	95%	
Year 1	91%	Year 2	98%
Year 3	97%	Year 4	96%
Year 5	97%	Year 6	93%

Congratulations to Year 2 who have the highest attendance this week with an 98%. Well done

Reception intake 2026

In November the portal to apply for school places in our Reception class opens. On the 10th November we will be holding an open evening for prospective parents. It will take place between 3:30pm and 4:45pm. We look forward to seeing some of you there.

Don't Miss Out...

For children in Nursery – The window for applications to Primary school is now open and closes on the 15th January 2026. This year we had close to 70 applications for our 30 places. If your child attends St. Mary's Nursery – this does not automatically entitle you to a place in our Reception class. You must still apply via Tameside.

Come and Sample School lunches

On Tuesday 11th November our kitchen team will be producing some food samples for parents so that you can see the type and quality of food being produced for the children over lunchtime. Staff from Dolce (our catering provider) will be on hand to answer any questions you may have.

Please sign up here





November - Holy Souls

November is the month of Holy Souls – when we remember those close to us who have passed away. This coincides with Remembrance Day on Tuesday 11th November where we remember those who lost their lives protecting our country during war. All of our children will be having a minutes silence at 11am on Tuesday.

Thank you to those who have contributed to this year's poppy appeal.

