



## ST MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

NEWSLETTER – Friday 14th November 2025

### Poppy Appeal

Our whole school helped raise £75.43 for the Poppy Appeal, and we're really proud of what we achieved together. Everyone contributed in their own way, and it was wonderful to see the whole school community supporting such an important cause. The money we raised will go towards helping soldiers, veterans, and their families, showing that even small donations can make a big difference when we all work together.



### Children In Need: Challenge 25

We had a fantastic time supporting Children in Need this year, especially by taking part in the Challenge 25 activities. Pupils and staff worked together to complete fun tasks based around the number 25, showing great enthusiasm and teamwork throughout the day. It was a wonderful way to raise awareness and contribute to a charity that helps children and families across the UK. Our school raised



### Year 6 Assessment Week

A reminder to Year 6 parents that assessment week begins next week. It's important that all children are in school so they can take part in the practice SATs. Please don't worry—these assessments are simply a way for us to see how the children are progressing and to help them feel confident and prepared for the real tests later in the year.

### School Uniform Reminder

Please remember that full school uniform must be worn each day. Wearing the correct uniform helps pupils feel part of our school community and ready for learning. We appreciate your support in ensuring children arrive in the proper attire, including appropriate footwear and any required accessories. If you have any questions about uniform expectations, please let us know.



### Attendance

Please remember the importance of good attendance and punctuality. Our school doors open at 8:35am and close promptly at 8:55am. Arriving on time helps children start the day calmly and ensures they don't miss valuable learning. As an extra incentive, any child who is on time every day for the week will be entered into our Freddo Friday draw for a chance to win a chocolate treat! Thank you for your continued support.

### Important Dates

**Friday 21st November** – Non-Uniform Day – Hamper donations for the Parish Christmas fair.

We kindly ask that children bring a hamper donation, such as bottles, mince pies, chocolates, biscuits, toiletries, or other festive items.

Raffle tickets for the Christmas hampers will go on sale in school from Monday 24th November, priced at £1 per strip.

We would also love to see you at the **Parish Christmas Fair on Saturday 29th November**, 10:00am–1:00pm, at The Ashcroft, Whitworth. There will be lots of Christmas stalls, Santa's Grotto, and the raffle draw.

**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December** – KS1 Farm Trip

**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> December** – KS2 Panto (in school)

## Star Awards

EYFS – Bobby and Daniel

Year 1 & 2 – Joshua and Lucas

Year 3 & 4 – Koby-Joe and Evie-Faye

Year 5 & 6 – Reece and Sienna



**Well done to all our Star Award winners! You are brilliant!**

## Attendance

	This week
Reception	83.8%
Year 1	90%
Year 2	94.3%
Year 3	100%
Year 4	94.6%
Year 5	86.5%
Year 6	98.3%

Remember attendance as a school should be higher than 96% to ensure that children make the best progress and reach their potential. Over the course of the full year if children miss more than 7 days in total, for any reason, they will not reach this target and are at risk of falling behind.

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## It Didn't Go Unnoticed Awards

These are very special awards to acknowledge children showing their care and concern for others across the school day, responding to their call to serve others, without any desire for recognition. Well done and thank you to...

Blake Tompkins

Chase McGregor



## Freddo Friday Attendance Hero Winners!

EYFS – Finley Edge  
Year 1/2 – Amani Ahmed  
Year 3/4- Darcey-Ann King  
Year 5/6 – Lily-Mae Navin