



December NEWSLETTER



St Mary's RC
Primary School

Year of Pilgrimage Anchor Assembly

We were delighted to welcome the Anchor from Salford Diocese into our school as part of the Year of Pilgrimage and Year of Hope. The anchor was brought from All Hallows, and together we shared a special assembly reflecting on faith, hope, and community.

We then proudly passed the anchor on to St Gilbert's, continuing the journey of hope across our schools.



Songs of Praise



Our school choir recently took part in the Parish Songs of Praise service it was a truly beautiful occasion. The children sang with such grace and confidence, creating a reflective and calming atmosphere for everyone present.

Their behaviour was exemplary throughout the service, and we are so proud of the way they represented our school. A huge well done to all involved, your voices and conduct made this a very special event for our parish community.

St Andrews Day



To celebrate the feast day of their saint team St Andrew, the children from St Andrews house team came into school dressed in blue. They all gathered together for a special time with their team leaders, Miss Norwood and Mrs Hesford, reflecting on the life and values of St Andrew.

Happy
St. Andrew's
Day

We look forward to celebrating our other saints throughout the school year



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Christmas Lunch



Dolce will be providing Christmas lunch on Thursday 11th December. **Make sure you order on school grid before the 4th.** If your child brings their own packed lunch, they may bring something festive.

Sports Highlights

Our Year six children have been showcasing fantastic teamwork and determination in recent competitions!

Basketball: After winning the first round, our 3v3 team went on to the Salford Finals and performed brilliantly, finishing 5th overall.

Dodgeball: A team of 10 represented the school with great spirit at the Eccles College competition.

Football: Seven Year 6 boys took part in an exciting tournament hosted by Salford Foundation 92, playing with enthusiasm and skill.

Well done to all the children involved, you've made us proud!

Nativities



We are so excited for our wonderful Nativity plays next week! The children have been working hard learning their lines, songs, and dances, and we can't wait to share these special performances with you.

Tuesday 9th December: Nursery and Reception will perform at 9:15am and 2:15pm.

Wednesday 10th December: Year 1 and Year 2 will perform at 9:15am and 2:30pm.

Cross Country



A huge well done to all the children who took part in the first two rounds of the Salford Cross Country competition! Even in challenging weather conditions, their commitment, determination, and resilience shone through, we are so proud of you.

Our next Cross Country events for anyone in Years 3, 4, 5, and 6 will take place on Saturday 13th December and then again on Saturday 17th January. We can't wait to see more fantastic effort and team spirit!

Robinwood

Our Year 6 children recently returned from their exciting Robinwood residential, and we couldn't be prouder of them! Over the three days, they showed incredible bravery as they tackled challenging activities such as climbing, zip-lining, and team problem-solving.

Not only did they push themselves out of their comfort zones, but their behaviour was exemplary throughout the trip. They supported one another, worked as a team, and represented our school brilliantly.

A huge well done to all the children you demonstrated courage, resilience, and kindness. We are so proud of the way you embraced every challenge and made the most of this unforgettable experience!



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DATE	EVENT
Dec 3, 2025	Reception Christmas Craft Morning 9:00am - 10:00am
Dec 3, 2025	Nursery Christmas Craft Afternoon 2:00pm - 3:00pm
Dec 4, 2025	Y6 Craft Stalls - more details to follow
Dec 5, 2025	Year 4 Advent Assembly 9.15am School
<u>Dec 9, 2025</u>	EYFS Nativity - 9.15 am School Hall 2.15pm School Hall
<u>Dec 10, 2025</u>	KS1 Nativity - 9.15 am School Hall 2.30pm School Hall
Dec 11, 2025	Christmas Jumper Day - own clothes, Flim Afternoon, Christmas lunch Day
Dec 12, 2025	Year 5 Advent Assembly - 9.15 am School
Dec 15, 2025	Christmas Party - More info to follow
Dec 15, 2025	Advent reflection at school 8.30am
Dec 16, 2025	Carol Concert times at Church 5:15pm
Dec 17, 2025	Winning House Team celebration - Winner will be announced soon.
Dec 18, 2025	Year 6 Advent Assembly - 9.15 am School Hall
Dec 19, 2025	Whole school Mass
Dec 19, 2025	School Closes 1.30pm
Jan 5, 2026	School Reopens