St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

OCTOBER 2026

What a wonderful and busy month October has been at St Mary's! As we reflect on the past few weeks, we want to say a huge thank you to our amazing families for your continued kindness, generosity and support. It truly never goes unnoticed, and we are so grateful for everything you do for our school community.

Doncaster and Bassetlaw TEACHING HOSPITALS CHARITY

THANK YOU

Together, we raised an incredible **£695.50** for NHS charities through our sponsored litter pick, collected a fantastic amount of food for our local food bank and have already begun receiving generous donations for our Christmas hampers and Christmas Fayre prizes! Your generosity is simply amazing and reflects the wonderful community spirit we are so lucky to have at St Mary's. Thank you for helping us make such a positive difference to others!



As always, the half-term ahead is set to be another busy and exciting one, with lots of wonderful learning opportunities, special events and celebrations planned for our children. We are really looking forward to all that is to come! Please remember that ClassDojo is our main form of communication with families, so we kindly ask that you check it regularly for important updates, information and reminders to ensure you don't miss anything.

Thank you all once again for your continued support and for being such an important part of our St Mary's family. We really are so lucky to have such a wonderful school community!

STUDENT LEADERSHIP AT ST MARY'S

At St Mary's, we are incredibly proud of our wonderful pupil leadership teams, who play such an important role in making our school a special place to learn, grow and flourish! Our Head Boy, Head Girl, Deputy Head Boy and Deputy Head Girl, alongside our GIFT Team, Care for Creation Team, Library Club Team, Playground Leaders, School Council, Class Prayer Chaplains and Church Ambassadors, all take on important responsibilities across school. These fantastic children are wonderful role models, demonstrating leadership, kindness, responsibility and a real commitment to our school and parish community. Through their different roles, they help to strengthen our Catholic life, care for God's creation, promote a love of reading and ensure that pupil voice is at the heart of everything we do. We are so proud of their enthusiasm, dedication and willingness to make a difference. They truly are living out our mission of walking together in Jesus' footsteps!
But don't just take our word for it, here's what our children have to say about their important roles:

Playground Leaders
"We love helping children have fun, play safely and enjoy their breaktimes. We want to make sure everyone feels included, happy and has a good day!"

Care for Creation Team
"We want to help make the world a better place by caring for God's creation and leaving the Earth in a better way than we found it!"

Library Club
"We love looking after our books and library, sharing wonderful stories and helping everyone enjoy reading!"

Head Boy, Head Girl and Deputy Head Boy & Girl
"We are proud to represent our school and help make positive changes. We love helping others and making St Mary's the best it can be!"

GIFT Team – Growing in Faith Together
"We enjoy talking about God, sharing our faith together and helping others during prayer and worship. We love helping everyone grow closer to God!"

School Council
"We enjoy making positive changes to our school and making sure all children have the chance to share their ideas and have their voices heard!"

STARS OF THE MONTH!

WELL DONE TO THE FOLLOWING CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN NOMINATED FOR 'STAR OF THE MONTH', FOR THEIR CONSISTENT HARD WORK AND POSITIVITY TOWARDS THEIR LEARNING.

EYFS - Jude
Year 1 - Filip
Year 2 - Amanat
Year 3 - Dyan
Year 4 - Cheryl
Year 5 - Daniella
Year 6 - Alfie

Dates for your Diaries



Friday 6th November - St Mary's Showcase Afternoon - 2pm
Friday 13th November - Tag Rugby Team at STWA
Friday 20th November - Non-Uniform Day
Friday 27th November - Advent Wreath Making Workshop & Year 2 Multiskills at STWA
Monday 30th November - Blessing of the Advent Wreaths Celebration
Wednesday 2nd December - Year 1 & 2 at the Panto
Friday 4th December - St Mary's Christmas Fayre
Monday 14th December - EYFS Nativity - 10am
Monday 14th December - KS1 Nativity - 2pm
Tuesday 15th December - Year 3 & 4 Nativity - 10am
Tuesday 15th December - Year 5 & 6 Nativity - 2pm
Wednesday 16th December - Whole School Christmas Mass & EYFS & KS1 Christmas Party Day
Thursday 17th December - Christmas Dinner Day & KS2 Christmas Party Day
Friday 18th December - Carols around the Crib -1:15pm and school closes at 2pm for the Christmas Holidays





