



St. Mary's Catholic Academy

June 2025

Messenger



Dear Parents,

Welcome back to the final half term of this academic year! We have such a busy ½ term ahead with lots of exciting events, parents will also be invited to many of these events.

We are looking forward to welcoming back our Year 5 and Year 6 children after their unforgettable trip to France. From exploring historic landmarks, embracing French culture and taking part in team building activities, they've created memories that will last a lifetime. We look forward to hearing all about their adventures and the stories they've brought back to share with us.

This ½ term will focus on the transition for your child's next step in their learning journey. Our transition sessions for each year group will be held every Monday afternoon, week commencing Monday 9th June. This will be a wonderful opportunity for your child to get to know their new class teacher and take part in some class-based activities.

On Wednesday 2nd July, each class will spend the day in their new class with their new teacher. Of course, Year 6 will be preparing for their momentous journey moving onto high school. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of Year 6 for being such a wonderful group of children and we wish them all the very best of luck in their next steps.

We pray especially for some of our Year 6 children who are currently preparing to receive the sacrament of confirmation. This wonderful celebration will take place on Saturday 21st June. You are all warmly welcomed to attend this celebration.

Here are some additional key dates that you may wish to save;

Sunday 8th June Family Mass – 10:00 in church

Tuesday 8th July, 3:30 – Parent drop in

Tuesday 15th July - Foundation stage end of year assembly and Reception Graduation

Wednesday 16th July – Whole school end of term Mass

Wednesday 16th July - KS1/KS2 end of year assembly

Friday 18th July - Year 6 leavers breakfast and leavers assembly



In this week's Gospel we will celebrate Pentecost Sunday. John, 14:15-16, is a passage from the Bible that reads: "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you forever". This passage is part of Jesus' promise to his disciples that he will send the Holy Spirit to be with them after he leaves. Today, we remember that the Holy Spirit is there to guide us all in whatever we do.



It is important that we hold up to date information on our pupils.

Did you know that you are able to make changes to your child's contact details on Arbor yourself?

All you need to do is log into the account and make the changes, we will receive notification of those changes and approve.

Please ensure that medical and dental appointments are booked outside of school hours where possible.

If an appointment is unavoidable please ensure your child is absent for a minimal amount of time from school.

Absence

If your child is absent from school, please telephone the school on 01782 234820 or email office@stmarysnewman.co.uk before 9.30am.

Thank you.

EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

"Keeping up is easier than catching up!"



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Our next St Mary's family Mass is being held on 8th June at 10am. It will be lovely to see you there.



Please ensure that parental consent is completed by the deadline date, the school office spend time unnecessarily chasing confirmation of payment/consent.



Well done to our Y6 children who showed resilience and a positive attitude during the SATs. We are very proud of each and every one of you!

School Masses will take place on a weekly Rota basis— led by the Whole school, EYFS, KS1 or KS2.

All of these Masses take place in church on a Wednesday morning at 9.25am (*unless otherwise stated*).

We encourage all parents, grandparents and members of the parish to support these Masses where possible.

All masses can be found on our website under the calendar tab [click here](#)





We have pre-loved uniform available . All items are priced at £1
[click here to view](#)

If you would like to donate any pre-loved uniform we are only accepting School Logo items; Sweatshirt, cardigan, jumper, tie.

We kindly ask that the items are clean and in good condition.



To view term dates for this and next academic year, please click on the link below:

[Click here for term dates](#)

This term's curriculum will be uploaded to your child's class page by Monday 9th June (under ½ termly curriculum).

[click here to be taken to our website](#)



This half term Nursery and Year 2 take part, starting from Wednesday 4th June.

Please ensure appropriate outdoor clothing and footwear for wet/sunny weather is brought into school every Wednesday.



KS2	9.20-11.20
EYFS	12.15-13.00
KS1	13.30-15.00

Tuesday 17th June

Well done!



Well done to KS1 who attended a football tournament at Dimensions. The team played exceptionally well and won every match. Overall, they won the tournament!



Well done to Rocco who received his Blue Peter book badge!



Well done to the KS2 children who were chosen to represent St Mary's in the track events at Northwood Stadium.



Awards



We would like to congratulate all of the children who have received awards

Year	Headteacher	Reading	Maths	Goldfinch
Nursery	Brodie-Bear	Finley	Noah	Nico
Reception	Mia	Molly	Flynn	Elsie
Year 1	Maggie	Chester	Maisie	Millie
Year 2	Rocco	Jasper	Krishiv	Nela
Year 3	Grace	Finley W	Rocco	Aiden
Year 4	Rosa	Fletcher	George	Holly
Year 5	Frankie	Darcy-Mae	Miles	Joseph
Year 6	Faith	Oscar	Isobel	Lucy

Celebration Assemblies are held at 9.05am, you can view these on our website calendar:

[click here to view the calendar](#)



Save the date



Summer Term 2025

Date	Event
WC Monday 2nd June - 13th June	Y4 Multiplication table check
Tuesday 10th June	New to nursery/reception induction meeting 2pm
Tuesday 10th June	Y1 & Reception Swimming (x5 weeks)
W/C Monday 9th June	Y1 Phonics screening check
Friday 13th June	Foundation stage - Fathers day activities 1.30pm
Friday 13th June	Fathers day breakfast
Friday 13th June	Y2 Fathers day prayer service 9am
WC Monday 9th June **	Nurs - Y1 'Read with me' sessions
Tuesday 17th June	Sports Day
Saturday 21st June	Y6 - Confirmation
Wednesday 2nd July and Thursday 3rd July	Transition for Y6 - St Margaret Ward
Friday 4th July	Reports to parents
Tuesday 8th July	Parent drop in session 3.30-6.30pm
TBC	Attendance Trip
Tuesday 15th July	Foundation stage graduation/ End of year assembly 9.30am
Wednesday 16th July	KS1 End of year assembly 2pm
Wednesday 16th July	KS2 End of year assembly 5.30pm
Friday 18th July	Y6 - Leavers breakfast
Friday 18th July	Y6 - Leavers Assembly 9.30am
Friday 18th July	School closes for Summer



You are invited

NORTH STAFFS DEANERY EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS 2025



THURSDAY 10TH JULY

- 19:00 Holy Mass for the Jubilee Year & Opening of the Congress
Sacred Heart, Tunstall. Archbishop Longley
- 20:30 Talk & Eucharistic Holy Hour
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament overnight (Crypt)



FRIDAY 11TH JULY

- School event across the Deanery
- 18:30 Holy Mass. Sacred Heart, Tunstall. Canon McNally
- 20:00 Talk & Eucharistic Healing Service
- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament overnight (Crypt)



SATURDAY 12TH JULY

- 08:30 Registration. St Margaret Ward Academy, Tunstall
- 09:00 Prayer, talks, workshops & fellowship
- 16:00 Eucharistic Procession to Sacred Heart, Tunstall
- 17:00 Holy Mass. Sacred Heart, Tunstall. Bishop Menezes



FREE event | Donations welcome

Bring your own refreshments

All children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult

For further information,

please email fr.julian.green@rcaob.org.uk

To register for Saturday, scan the QR code

or go to <https://tinyurl.com/yx27dkj5>

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