

St. Mary's Mail

Friday 17th October 2025



Bi-weekly Newsletter

As we conclude the first term, we are delighted with how well our pupils have settled – focused and enthusiastic in their learning. Our Reception children have made a fantastic start, embracing school life with curiosity and joy. Sportingly, our girls' football team have progressed to the next stage of the tournament - well done! We also extend a heartfelt thank you to families for their generous harvest offerings, which have been warmly received. It's been a term of exploring, enjoying, and excelling—truly living our vision. We look forward to another exciting term ahead.

Bethan Scriven

BEAMAZING!

Thank you!

We would like to say a big thank you to Mrs Scriven and the children in Breakfast club for making this years Harvest Loaf.

It was beautiful and so delicious!



Attendance Matters

At St Mary's, we are unable to authorise leave for family holidays during term time. Leave can only be granted in exceptional circumstances, which are defined as situations that are likely to occur only once during a pupil's primary school experience. Even in such cases, only part of the leave may be authorised.

We also kindly request that medical appointments are scheduled outside of school hours whenever possible. If this is not feasible, please ensure that the school is informed in advance, and that pupils are only absent for the minimum time necessary for the appointment. Please also provide the office with proof of appointments. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

<https://www.stmarysyate.org.uk/assets/Attendance>

Dates for your diary

November

Monday 10 th	Odd sock day (see attached poster)
Tuesday 11 th	Sept 2026 intake virtual meeting 7pm
Wednesday 12 th	Sept 2026 intake tour 4pm
Thursday 13 th	Yr 3/4 New Rooms school trip
Tuesday 18 th	Yr 6 Weight & Height Screening
Friday 28 th	Nasal Flu Vaccinations

December

Monday 1 st - Friday 5 th	Yr 3/4 Swimming lessons p.m.
Weds 3 rd	9:30 a.m. Carols – Shopping Centre
Tuesday 9 th	KS1 Christmas Performance p.m.
Weds 10 th	EYFS Christmas Performance p.m.
Thursday 11 th	KS1 Christmas Performance a.m.
Monday 15 th	Rocksteady Concert time TBA
Tuesday 16 th	Rocksteady Concert 2:15 p.m.

Well done to the following students who have received a certificate in the last few weeks.

Olivia P, Penny S, Arthur S, Grace D, Naomi, Kaleb, Reuben, Perrie, Stanley, Ruby K, Harrison C, Nellie, Kieron, Sam, Leo. Tate B, Star, Reecie, Michael C, Georgia M, Olivia D, Tayton, Reya, Kaitlyn, Zara, Jesse J, River-Rose, Harper, Piper B, George Wo, Grace C, Poppy B, Joey M, Preston W, Dylan, Ivy, Darcie, Freddie Wo, Nikita, Elizabeth. Ewan, Gracie.

A kind reminder about parking

We understand drop-offs and pick-up times can be busy, but please be considerate and park safely and thoughtfully. The safety of our pupils, families and staff is paramount, so please ensure to keep well clear of driveways, pavement and zig-zags lines. Please do not park on the drive of Tudor Cottage next to the school.

Thank you for your understanding and cooperation in keeping our children safe and our neighbours happy!

Sporting News

Earlier this week, the Girls football team played in the ESFA schools cup, they won two games and drew one. They finished top of their group meaning they go through to the next round which takes place on the 18th of November. Good Luck Girls!

Term Dates

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4	Term 5	Term 6
Start: Mon 1 st Sept	Start: Mon 3 rd Nov	Start: Mon 5 th Jan	Start: Mon 23 rd Feb	Start: Mon 20 th Apr	Start: Mon 1 st Jun
End: Fri 24 th Oct	End: Fri 19 th Dec	End: Fri 13 th Feb	End: Thurs 2 nd Apr	End: Fri 22 nd May	End: Tues 21 st Jul
Inset: Fri 24 th Oct			Inset: Mon 23 rd Mar		Inset: Mon 20 th Jul Tues 21 st Jul

FOR FAMILIES: SUPERHERO SOCK DAY

Our Jigsaw School Power Squad

What is Superhero Sock Day?

During Anti-Bullying Week, our school is celebrating superpowers we all have inside us! Your child will be invited to come into school wearing mismatched socks on Monday 10th November 2025, where each sock represents a different dimension of their "power for good."

What Your Child is Being Invited to Do:

- Your child is being invited to wear odd socks to school - two different socks from different pairs!
- Think about their inner superpower (what they're already good at)
- Consider their action superpower (how they can help others)

Perfect Chance for Old Odd Socks!

Have you got any old socks that need a moment to shine? This is their time! Mismatched, colourful, patterned, plain - the more different, the better!



Examples of Superpowers:

Inner Powers: Being a good listener, problem-solving, making others laugh, being brave, being kind, helping others learn

Action Powers: Standing up for others, including new children, helping classmates, caring for our environment, being a good bystander

How you can help at home:

- Help your child choose their special odd socks
- Talk about what makes them special and unique
- Discuss how they can use their strengths to help others
- Remind them that everyone has superpowers - we just need to discover them!

Remember: Every child is a superhero in their own special way!

Together, we can create a school where everyone feels valued and supported.