

Newsletter

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Friday 22nd March 2024

Attendance for
week: 96.63%

St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School

"Love Jesus, Love Learning, Love Life"



A message from Mrs Thorpe to all our families... We began this week with a check-up from the Local Authority, who routinely visit all schools as part of their responsibility. Mr Richardson is our advisor and he was absolutely delighted by what he saw across the school. He commented on the high quality of our curriculum, the very impressive learning behaviours in every class and the commitment and dedication of the staff team. I am so proud of our school family and thankful to everyone who contributes to our school being the wonderfully amazing place it is—Thank You all!

Next week is the final week of term and we say 'goodbye' to Mrs Mills as she begins her (semi!) retirement. We have a few celebrations planned to give thanks for Mrs Mills' many years of service, and I'm sure everyone in our school community joins me in wishing Mrs Mills and her beautiful family every happiness in the months and years ahead. Mrs Mills will continue to be part of our family as a grandparent and friend, which is a great blessing to us



SPANISH DAY... Today is Spanish Day at St Mary's! Our school is awash with red and yellow and everyone is immersed in learning about the language and culture of Spain. *Bien Hecha!*



MY HAPPY MIND... Please see the letter that came home about the film crew visiting school after the holidays. Our My Happy Mind programme has been, and continues to be a great success and this filming opportunity will be a great opportunity to celebrate this success and showcase our work. Don't forget that parents have full access to My Happy Mind resources to help your children at home: <https://myhappy mind.org/parent-resources>



SNAPTRAP... Year 6 watched an informative performance from the SNAPTRAP drama company this week about keeping safe on smart devices and being aware of dangers they can potentially present. Another important enrichment opportunity for our children, in response to the digital world we live in.



This Week's Special Awards

Well done to you all!



Year 6: Billy J & Lana

Year 5: Suzie & Jacob Hug

Year 4: Ava & Jake

Year 3: Noah & Leo

Year 2: Marc & Bernie

Year 1: Aleeya & Elwood

EYFS: Louie & Avery

Dates for your diary...



- **Monday 25th March**— Our whole school Holy Week Assembly, everyone is welcome to join us, 9.00am-9.30am.
- **Wednesday 27th March**—Y6 Gardening—Sensory Garden
- **Thursday 28th March**—School finishes for Easter, at 3.15pm
- **Sunday 31st March**—Easter Sunday, Happy Easter Everyone!
- **Monday 15th April**—School re-opens for the Summer Term
- **Wednesday 17th April**—My Happy Mind filming day in school
- **Friday 19th April**—Rugby Tots Sessions begin in KS1/EYFS

INSPIRATION... Once a month, we have a whole school assembly learning about an inspirational person in our world. This month's assembly was about **Malala Yousafzai** and our British Sign Language word was 'Brave'. Next month's will be Sir David Attenborough.



FIZZY DRINKS... Thanks to Mr Poole who came into school this week to talk to us about G.U.L.P (Give Up Love of Pop!) He helped us understand the damage that fizzy drinks can do to our teeth and bones. We are all becoming more aware of the dangers that caffeine infused drinks can have on children's heart rates, attention, health and general wellbeing. It's worrying to see young children having such drinks in their diet, knowing the damage they do to health. If you'd like any further information, please get in touch



CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY... Every Friday, we come together as a whole school for our 'Celebration Assembly' - sharing achievements from inside and outside of school. Once a month, I will publish the assembly slides on our website, under 'wellbeing' for parents to share, and each week there is a photograph of the class awards live on our website, under our Twitter feed. [St Mary of the Angels Primary School: Celebration Assemblies](#)



FOREST SCHOOL: Next week's Forest School Class
is YEAR 4—28/3/24