

Wednesday 3rd September 2025

St. Mary's News

Start children off on the way they should go and, even when they are old, they will not turn from it. - Proverbs 22:6



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Welcome

Hello! It is time to get the 2025/2026 academic year underway. We hope you had a fantastic Summer. We've been working hard to get school ready, though it feels very empty! Its a good thing that we have over 200 loving, responsible, resilient, trusting, courageous, respectful young people to fill it. Let's get started.



Up and Coming

- Wednesday 3rd September**
Pupils return to school
- Friday 12th September**
School Photograph Day
- Monday 15th September**
National Coding Week
- Thursday 18th September**
Year 2 at the Fireground Museum



Term Dates 2025 - 2026

	Pupils in School	Half-Term School Closed	Pupils in School	Term Holiday School Closed
AUTUMN 	Wednesday 3 rd September - Friday 24 th October 2025	Monday 27 th October to Friday 31 st October 2025	Monday 3 rd November to Friday 19 th December 2025	Monday 22 nd December 2025 to Friday 2 nd January 2026
SPRING 	Tuesday 6 th January to Friday 13 th February 2026	Monday 16 th February to Friday 20 th February 2026	Monday 23 rd February to Thursday 2 nd April 2026	Friday 3 rd April to Friday 17 th April 2026
SUMMER 	Monday 20 th April 2026 to Friday 22 nd May 2026 (Bank Holiday Monday - 4 th May 2026)	Monday 25 th May to Friday 29 th May 2026 (Bank Holiday Monday - 25 th May 2026)	Monday 1 st June to Friday 17 th July 2026	Friday 17 th July 2026 - School Closed for Summer
Staff INSET and Training Days 	Monday 1 st September 2025 Tuesday 2 nd September 2025 Friday 17 th October 2025 Monday 5 th January 2026			Monday 20 th July 2026 Tuesday 21 st July 2026 (Dates to be distributed over the year as twilight sessions)

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Change of Details?

We use Arbor at St. Mary's to manage all of the information we have about your child, including their consents and your contact details. You can edit and change details we have for you to make sure you receive information quickly and efficiently. If you are yet to get setup with Arbor, please contact the school office on 01706 648125.



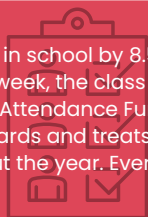
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 EXPECTED BEHAVIOUR AT ST MARY'S. I will be respectful to others and the environment at all times; trusting that my teachers are there to help me I will be a good friend and be truthful I will be a responsible learner and wear my correct uniform I will have a positive mindset and persevere when things are hard I will show my manners						
						
LEARNING SPACES 	LOVE I support others in learning I think before speaking I am inclusive I treat everyone with kindness	RESPECT I take turns and share I accept that people learn in different ways I respect my class showing good learning behaviours I use a quiet hand I actively and positively contribute to learning	RESPONSIBILITY I keep my hands and feet to myself I am ready and organised for learning I follow learning expectations including presentation I make the most of learning time I am allergy aware	TRUST I trust my adults are there to help me I trust that my community care for me and want me to succeed	PERSEVERANCE I have a positive attitude I ask for help if I need it I use strategies to control my emotions I bounce back when things are hard	COURAGE I push myself to share my knowledge I will try my best with new learning I speak up when things seem unfair I will ask for help if I struggle
OUTSIDE 	I look out for others I am inclusive I think before speaking I help others I treat everyone with kindness	I respect my friends choices I respect our community and environment I use equipment respectfully I play fair and follow rules I let everyone take a turn I walk respectfully from outdoor to indoors	I wear appropriate clothing for the weather I look after equipment I store things away correctly I am sun safe I keep food in the hall	I trust our school community are there to help me	I report problems that I can't solve I ask for help I use strategies to control my emotions I bounce back when things are hard and forgive	Standing up for others Trying new and unfamiliar activities Telling other people about unwanted behaviours
CORRIDORS 	I am kind to others on the corridor I think before speaking I treat everyone with kindness	I move around school respectfully knowing other classes are learning I use my whisper voice I give way to others I hold the door for others I use the correct entry/exit points	I use my fantastic walking feet I keep to the left I walk quietly I carry equipment carefully I keep food in the hall	I trust my community to act responsibly and respectfully	I am patient I use strategies to control my emotions I make positive transitions into and out of school each day	I will stand up for people when our values are not shown I will show courage to tell other people and be truthful
DIGITAL 	I follow rules to keep me safe I do not share information with people I don't know I am inclusive	I get permission before I use the internet I respect our ICT agreement I ask permission before taking photos I am respectful when carrying devices	I follow the rules in our ICT agreement I am cyber safe I report anything that makes me feel uncomfortable I shut down and store equipment correctly Adults should store equipment carefully	I trust systems are in place to protect me I share anything that makes me feel uncomfortable I trust that my adults look after our equipment	I persevere when technology is not working I ask for help	I will try new digital tools I will speak up when I see things that make me feel uncomfortable I will ask for help if I struggle

Attendance

Our attendance target is 95%. Children should be in school by 8.50am every day - the school day ends at 3.15pm. Each week, the class with the highest attendance percentage get a roll on the 'Attendance Funopoly' board where class prizes can be won. Special awards and treats are given to children achieving 100% attendance throughout the year. Every day counts!



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Our School Uniform

School uniform makes sure that all pupils feel equal at St. Mary's. Pupils are welcome to wear their own clothes on their birthday and on certain non-uniform days through the year. Our school uniform is as follows. School logos are not essential at St. Mary's - all parts of our uniform can be bought in most supermarkets and discount clothing shops as well as uniform shops.



Red jumper



Red cardigan



White polo shirt



Sensible black shoes with no branding



Red gingham dress



Grey trousers



Grey skirt



Black, white or grey tights.



Unbranded black trainers or pumps

Our PE Uniform:



Black shorts



Black sweatshirt



White t-shirt



Black jogging bottoms



PTA

Are you able to offer a little time to support school? Do you have a special skill you could offer us? Our PTA are at the heart of St. Mary's and support the school throughout the year to raise money and offer insight. If you have time, we would love to hear from you: please contact the school office on 01706 648125 for more information or speak with a member of staff.



Safeguarding

'Safeguarding' refers to all the things we do to make sure you are kept safe from harm.

If you have a concern, speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads (DSLs).



Mrs Brown
Headteacher
DSL



Mrs Bush
Deputy
Headteacher
DDSL



Miss Petrillo
School-based
Family Support
Worker
DDSL



Miss Holcroft
Pastoral Officer
DDSL

Assembly and Worship Timetable

Monday - Morning Singing Worship.

Tuesday - Key Stage 1 Worship

Wednesday - Whole-school Church Worship

Thursday - Key Stage 2 Worship

Friday - Celebration Assembly