

Monday 15th June 2026

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! What a week we had last week! The rain cannot stop St. Mary's as we push on into another fun-filled week. Thank you, as always, for being with us. Let's get this show on the road!



Up and Coming

- Wednesday 17th June**
Reception and Year 3 Trip to Crosby Beach
- Wednesday 17th June**
Thank a Teacher Day
- Thursday 18th June**
PTA Meeting - 9:00am in school.
Summer Fair planning with a brew
- Friday 26th June**
Non-Uniform Day for a Summer Fair donation. Reception to Y3 - Chocolate, Year 4 to Year 6 - Bottles



Menus Week 2

	OPTION 1	OPTION 2	DESSERT
MONDAY	Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V) Served with Wedges & Garden peas	Pasta Arrabiata (V) Served with Garlic slice & Crispy Mixed Salad	Assorted Cakes, Biscuits, Fruit or Yoghurt
TUESDAY	Chicken Curry Served with Wholegrain Rice & Naan	Veggie Beef Lasagna (V) Served with Garlic slice & Crispy Mixed Salad	Assorted Cakes, Biscuits, Fruit or Yoghurt
WEDNESDAY	Roast Of The Day Served With Creamy Mash & Vegetables	Cheese & Onion Pie (V) Served with Creamy Potatoes & Vegetables	Assorted Cakes, Biscuits, Fruit or Yoghurt
THURSDAY	Chilli Beef Burrito served with Nachos & Cheese	Veggie Hot dog (V) Served with Potato wedges & Golden Sweetcorn	Assorted Cakes, Biscuits, Fruit or Yoghurt
FRIDAY	Battered Fish & Chips Served With Garden Peas	Selection Of Sandwiches Served With Chips & Salad	Assorted Cakes, Biscuits, Fruit or Yoghurt

Jacket Potatoes available everyday. All meals are served with Water & Milk, with Fresh Fruit & Yoghurts available.
Any dietary requirements please ask a member of our team or call the school.

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Attendance

Week beginning 8th June 2026

Reception - 92%

Year 1 - 96.3% (3rd)

Year 2 - 96.9% (2nd)

Year 3 - 95%

Year 4 - 98.7% (1st)

Year 5 - 95.5%

Year 6 - 87%

This
Week:
94.5%

School
Target:
95%



ClassDojo Winners

Reception - Olivia

1 - Eliyanah

2 - Jake

3 - Essy-Mae

4 - Frankie

5 - Henley

6 - Mason



Hockey Bronze for Year 3 and 4

Our team of Year 3 and 4 children put in a mega performance last week at their latest inter-school hockey tournament, taking away a bronze medal for an outstanding performance. Well done everyone!



Whole-School VR Experience

We were lucky enough, last Monday, to take part in a whole-school VR experience thanks to Education Group. Each class had the chance to explore some of their favourite topics in brand new ways. From the great Australian Outback to the human body to deep beneath the ocean, we had a great time wandering through different locations.



Code Club Go to Space

Last October, our intrepid Code Club members took on their biggest challenge yet - create a programme to run on board the International Space Station. Thanks to Mission Zero through the Raspberry Pi Foundation and the ESA, 4 of our wonderful young experts managed to fly high above the world for just under a minute. A fantastic achievement!



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St. Mary's Summer Fair. Thursday 9th July - 2:30pm.

Join our **PTA meeting on Thursday 18th June at 9:00am** in school for a brew and to help plan this year's fair.

On Friday 26th June, we will be having a non-uniform day in return for tombola donations. Reception to Year 3 are collecting donations of chocolate. Year 4 to Year 6 are collecting donations of bottles. Thank you in advance for any and all donations.



Year 1 Beat the Aliens!

Year 1 have done it! They put in an amazing effort last week to beat the aliens in their Phonics Screening Check, before celebrating in style with an afternoon of alien-themed fun. Well done Year 1!



NSPCC Sessions

A big thank you to the NSPCC for joining us last week for some 'Speak Out, Stay Safe' sessions with our Year 2, 5 and 6 classes. The NSPCC provide important advice for young people and their families on staying safe. To find out more, go to:

www.learning.nspcc.org.uk/services/speak-out-stay-safe



This Week in Worship

This week in Church Worship, we heard the story of Esther and how that true courage comes from action on behalf of others, not just from the absence of fear. In Key Stage Worship, we thought about 1 Samuel 17 and the story of David and Goliath and compared it with another familiar story - *Finding Nemo* - where the odds are stacked against the characters. We were invited to face the 'giant' challenges in our own lives with the same courage.

Monkhouse Uniform Offer

Starting on Monday 18 May, Monkhouse Schoolwear Specialists will be offering an extra 15% discount on all uniform orders, running until Tuesday 26 May. They are also extending their returns policy until 11 September, providing additional flexibility. To find out more, go to: www.monkhouse.com



READ to BEAT

Help Your Child Discover the Joy of Reading This Summer!

This summer, give your child the chance to fall in love with reading! The Summer Reading Challenge, created by The Reading Agency and delivered in partnership with public libraries, is a FREE, fun-packed way to keep kids reading and learning all summer long.

This year's theme, **Read to the Beat**, and is powered by Universal Music Group UK. The Challenge will celebrate the joy of music and the power it has to move, inspire, and connect us - all through the magic of reading. The Challenge is being brought to life with illustrations by award-winning author and illustrator Henry Houghley.

Why join?

- It's FREE! Available at local libraries and online
- Inspires a lifelong love of reading
- Boosts confidence, creativity, and imagination
- Earn rewards, certificates, and prizes
- Fun for the whole family. Visit your local library together
- 25% of children said they read more after joining!
- Children choose their own books to read, collect rewards over the summer and receive a certificate or medal when they complete the challenge.

Visit your local library or go online at summerreadingchallenge.org.uk to get started from 4 July 2026.

Help your child start their reading adventure today!

Launching 1st June 2026 **BARNARDOS**

CHAT AUTISM AND ADHD

Have you been, or are seeking, a diagnosis and feel a bit 'out of sync'?

Do you have a question about the support services that are on offer?

Is there something you want to ask but you'd rather test than ask?

If you answered yes to any of these questions and live in Rochdale, our anonymous messaging service is available for young people under 18, or for parents and carers seeking advice about a child or young person. The service offers support and advice on autism and ADHD.

For free confidential support and advice text: **07507329954**

Chatrooms

Chat Autism and ADHD is a confidential text support service for Rochdale parents, carers, teachers and young people at any stage of the autism or ADHD diagnosis process. We aim to reply within 24 hours (Mon-Fri 9am-Midnight) and will not share or automate messages to confirm we've received your text. If we cannot respond to all of our service users, we may need to share information with emergency services or the police. There is a small charge, if you need urgent help contact NHS 111 or call 999 in an emergency.