

Friday 9th May 2025



# Newsletter



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Dear Pupils, Parents, Carers and Friends,

## Year 6 SATS - National Tests

Please note that statutory testing for Year 6 pupils (SATS) begin on Monday. Please make sure that your child is in school every day on time - **we need them in at half past eight to make sure that they are settled and ready to start on time.** If there are any issues please contact school first thing in the morning. We want each child to be able to do their best, so please support them with arriving on time on Monday well rested and ready to shine.

*Arrive on time to shine!*



half past eight

## Attendance Ladder



Make sure that your child has excellent attendance and punctuality for the best chance of success - arrive on time every day!



half past eight

## After School Clubs

- Breakfast Club: 7.4-5am - 8.4-5am £2 including breakfast
- Staylate: 3 - 5.30pm £5 including a snack



After School Clubs are from 3-4pm, cost £2 per session (unless indicated otherwise) and must be booked and paid for in advance (before 12pm on the day please).

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
- Activities - Cookery - Football (Y5/6)	- Activities - Multi-sports (Y1/2) - Martial Arts - Netball	- Activities - Computers - Girls' football (KS2) - Tennis (Y2+) - Eritrean Club  4.15pm AC Academy (finishes at 5.30pm)	- Activities - Football/ Multi-sports (Y3/4) - Musical Theatre - Mini Vinnies	- Activities - Gymnastics/ acro dance - Hockey

## May is the Month of Mary



As we begin the month of May our thoughts and our prayers turn especially to Mary our Mother. We will be dedicating prayers to Mary throughout May at our regular prayer times, assemblies and liturgies. The children from our Chaplaincy Team are also leading the praying of the Rosary at lunchtime once a week, and we crowned her today.

*Hail Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy, Hail our life, our sweetness and our hope.*



**SMSB celebrated the 80th Anniversary of VE Day. We will never forget.**



**Our Value of the Month is Responsibility**

## Looking forward...

Monday 12th May	Year 6 SATS begin
Sunday 18th May	9.30am Mass for First Holy Communion Preparation Programme
Monday 19th May	Fire Service visiting Year 4 pm Football rally 6pm Meeting for First Holy Communion Preparation Programme
Tuesday 20th May	Pilgrimage Day
Wednesday 21st May	Y5/6 Victorian Day 7pm AC Academy Choir Concert @ Holy Trinity Church
Thursday 22nd May	2.30pm KS2 Concert for parents
Friday 23rd May	Last day of the half term
Monday 2nd June	Teacher Training Day - School Closed
Tuesday 3rd June	8.30am Children return to school for Summer 2
Saturday 7th June	10.30am First Holy Communion



We celebrated the news of our new Pope this morning in assembly, and prayed for him.  
Habemus Papam!  
Pauline MacDonald  
Head Teacher



Mrs Kimberley's class had great fun playing street games for our VE Day celebrations! 🇬🇧



Celebrating VE Day in Miss McKenna's class. We took part in a 2 minute silence and said prayers for those who suffered and lost their lives #RedWhiteBlue #Wordsearch #Medals #Prayers #Celebrate #80Years #VEDAY 🇬🇧



Keep up by following @StMaryStBen.



This afternoon, our Mini Vinnies group prayed with Greg and Gabe from @mark10mission while the Conclave elected the new Pope! 🙏 #HabemusPapam



Another busy week at SMSB!



Another beautiful Holy Time, planned, prepared and led by two of the children in Miss McKenna's #Risen #Jesus #ChildLed #Proud

