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"Faith as small as a mustard seed can move mountains"

Newsletter Date: 20/03/2026

Dear parents and carers,

We have had a beautiful 2 weeks of fund raising during Lent, finished this week with St Joseph's Penny boxes and Year 3's run. Thank you so very much for your donations, ideas and support. We have helped so many charities close to our hearts through the children's sense of service for others and sacrifice. We know this does not just sit in Lent, and the children continually put others first, and for that we are truly thankful, as it comes from home as well as school.

Years 5 and 6 also enjoyed the big Lent walk to Whalley this week, where they also took part in the Stations of The Cross led by Father David. Again, a huge thank you to Father and to our Parish for welcoming us, including us, and we feel our Parish comes together beautifully to raise our children with our Mission and Values to go forth into the world and do good.

In contrast, I would like to mention the children's access to social media and online content, be it Youtube, Netflix, gaming or Whatsapp. Many issues throughout each week are originating from language, rough play and words shared on social media that then spill into school with difficulties. Please monitor the children's access, ensure it is age appropriate, and if using phones, read their chat. We as adults and their carers are responsible for what they share and access online, but the children are being affected by it, which in turn affects the smooth running of school. Let's work together to counter the online exposure to negativity and keep building on our school values and Mission.

God bless,
C.Boden

Attendance award:

- ♦ Gold— Class 5/6
- ♦ Silver— Class 6
- ♦ Bronze - Class 3

Important

- ♦ Reminder to pre-order school dinners for the Spring term.
- ♦ Monday is non-uniform, party themed for Eid celebrations



Our Faith at St Mary's

As we journey through Lent, we ask that children wear something purple with their uniform on Fridays. We would love to see touches of purple through school as the children experience Celebration of The Word together.

On Wednesday 25th March we have Mass at 1.30 in Church for the Feast of The Enunciation. All welcome.

On Tuesday 31st March we have the Year 3 Easter Play in Church at 2pm

Values

Living life to the full and loving God and one another we have and give:

T +

G ratitude

Respect

Opportunity

Wonder

Trinity

Humility

through

Forgiveness

Always Compassionate

Integrity

Truth

Happiness

Date and Time	Event	Details
23rd Mar	Eid Celebration Day	Non-uniform—party themed, food donations welcome.
25th Mar	Feast of The Enunciation	1.30pm St Mary’s Church
31st Mar	Yr 3 Easter Play	2pm St Mary’s Church
2nd April	Finish for Easter	3.25pm
20th April	School Re-opens	Doors open 8.45am
29th April	Class Photos	Full school uniform
4th May	Bank Holiday	School Closed
10th May	Yr 3 Sacramental Programme	Mass at St Mary’s Church 9.15am
W/B 11th May	Yr 6 SATS Week	
16th May	Yr 3 First Holy Communion	St Mary’s Church 10am
W/B 18th May	Yr 6 Bikeability	Details to follow
19th May	School Nurse drop-in session	3-4pm
22nd May	Finish for Half Term	3.25pm
1st June	School Re-opens	Doors open 8.45pm
9th June	Yr1 and Yr2 Martin Mere Trip	Details to follow
10th June	Yr5 Lancaster Castle Trip	Go to parentpay to pay and consent
10-12 June	Yr 6 Residential	Hothersall Lodge—details on email, consent and pay on Parentpay
9th July	School Nurse drop-in session	3-4pm
17th July	Finish for Summer	1.15pm

PUNCTUALITY

At **St Mary's** we believe that good attendance and punctuality are key to helping children succeed.

By working together, we can give your child the best chance to reach their full potential, both in school and beyond. Regular attendance helps your child:

- Keep up with lessons and achieve their target grades
- Build and maintain friendships
- Take part in fun social and sporting activities
- Learn important life skills

Pupils who arrive late and/or leave early also disrupt lessons, which can be embarrassing for the child and can in turn, encourage absence. It is also extremely disruptive for the rest of their class.

- ♦ St Mary's doors open at 8.45am.
- ♦ School starts at 8.55am and finishes at 3.25pm. Please be mindful to collect your child on time.

NB:

SARCHS doors open at 8am, if older siblings need to be dropped off at school in the morning consider getting to St Augustine's early.

Crazy Crackers before and after-school club is our wrap-around partner, consider using this provision if drop-offs and pick-ups are proving difficult.





Every School Day Counts



5 days absence over the whole year

97% - 100%

Good chance of success and progress

20 days absence over the whole year

90%

Less chance of success. Harder to make progress

20 + days absence over the whole year

Under 90%

Detrimental to success and progress

Every Minute Counts

LATENESS = LOST LEARNING

(figures below are calculated over a school year)

5 minutes late each day = 3 days lost!

10 minutes late each day = 6.5 days lost!

15 minutes late each day = 10 days lost!

20 minutes late each day = 13 days lost!

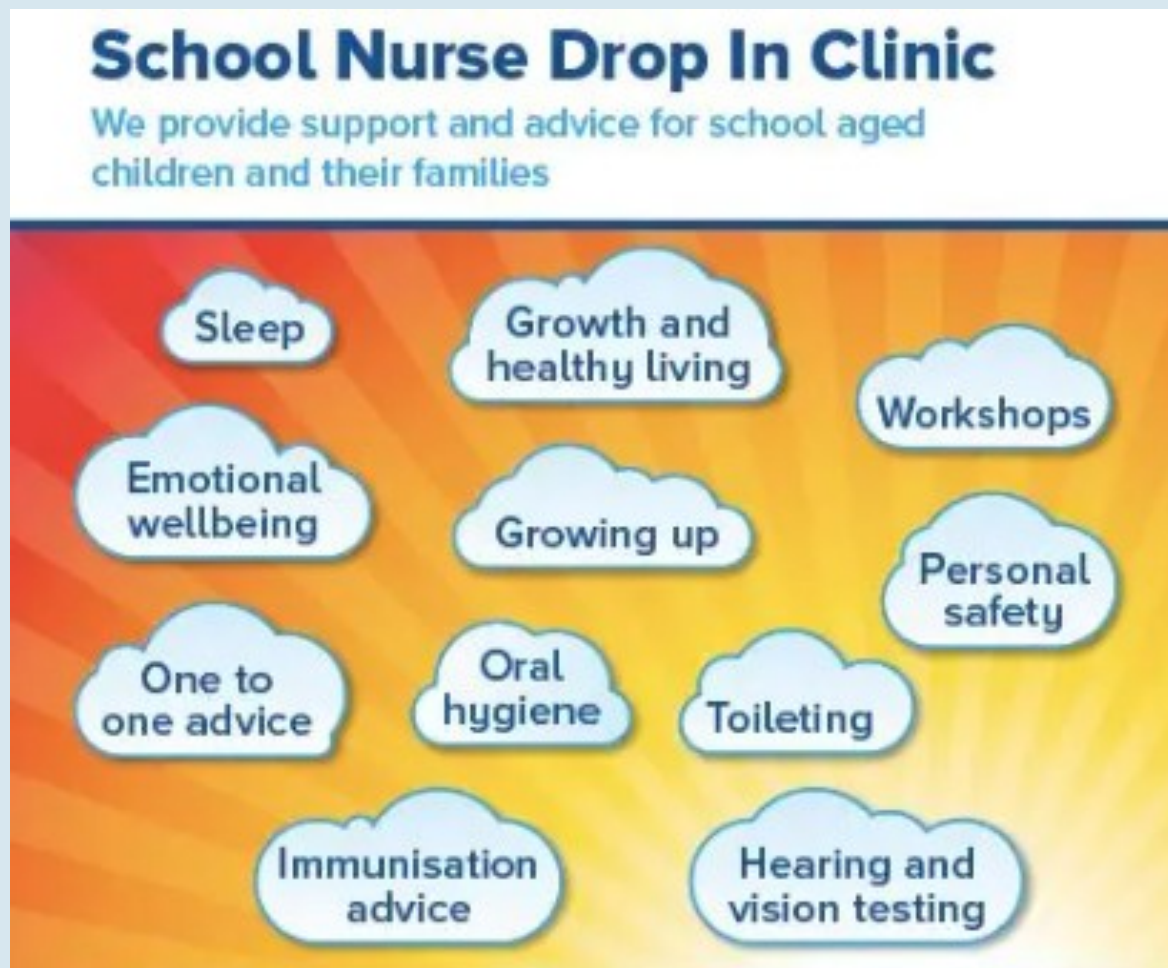
30 minutes late each day = 19 days lost!

Be at the classroom on time and ready to learn!



Stay and Pray 2026

We welcome families to join us in our class worship. Come and join in with the worship that the children in the class have prepared for their families and their classmates! Come to the main entrance and you will be shown to class to sit with the children



Our school nurse will be holding drop-in sessions in school on the following dates:

- ♦ 19th May 3-4pm
- ♦ 9th July 3-4pm

School nurse details:

Rachel Dent

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Spring 2 Term

Day	AM/ Lunch	After School	After School
Monday	GIFT Team and Mini Vinnies Lunch Running club (lunch)		
Tuesday	School Council Lunch Music Club ks1 (lunch)	Glow in the Dark Dodgeball KS1 & KS2	
Wednesday	8.20am Fundamental Movement Nurture Club (lunch)	Quiz Club KS2	Yr 6 Maths Booster
Thursday	Nurture Club (lunch) Fashion Club (lunch) Chess Club (lunch)	Yoga club	
Friday	8.20am Dance and Movement Nurture Club (lunch)		

- ♦ Yr 6 Maths Booster—letters will be sent home for specific pupils
- ♦ Fundamental Movement Skills & Dance and Movement Club—book on Parentpay - club still running through Spring term
- ♦ Yoga—book directly with club
- ♦ Dodgeball—book directly with club
- ♦ Running Club—bring trainers into school

Email:

officeteam@st-marys-langho.lancs.sch.uk

- ♦ Medical appointment evidence
- ♦ Parentpay
- ♦ Milk orders
- ♦ Club information

Email:

bursar@st-marys-langho.lancs.sch.uk

- ♦ Finance
- ♦ Admissions
- ♦ Pupil Premium
- ♦ Concerns and feedback

Medication in School

All medication for children must be signed in through the school office, a medical administration form must be completed.

To report an absence:

Dial the school number 01254 247157 Option 1 and leave a recorded message.

Absences must be recorded each day of the illness.

Please note a child may not return to school until 48 hours following the last episode of sickness and/or Diarrhoea