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**Thought for the week:**

**"We were born to be real, not perfect!"**



**For prayer with the Word of God**

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.



Friday 30th January 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our **Y6/3 Mass** was a beautiful celebration centred on the parable of the Sower. I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to our dedicated readers, servers, and offertory pupils who made the mass so reverent. **Mr Barton** and his team did an exceptional job organising the liturgy of the Word, creating a meaningful spiritual experience for our pupils.

This week, we were thrilled to host our **Inspire Workshops**. **Mr Mulligan**, our maths lead, was particularly excited about the positive feedback received from the maths meetings. The puzzling sets were challenging, but our pupils embraced them with enthusiasm. Thank you to all parents who came to support their children during these engaging sessions.

**Mrs Heslegrave** led a **creative writing week**—children chose from short stories, diary entries, poetry and our older pupils were invited to explore story writing in the style of a rap! It has been fascinating to see our pupils exploring their creativity through writing, bringing the project to life through their own words and ideas.

Our **Year 3** pupils were treated to an exciting visit from **Professor McGinty**, who shared his extensive knowledge about the **Romans**. He is always a firm favourite in **Key Stage Two**, and we look forward to welcoming him back later this term.

**Year 4** enjoyed an informative **Fire and Ice workshop** delivered by **Severn Trent**. They explored the water cycle and learned fascinating facts related to their current topic, making learning both fun and interactive.

**Parent evening letters** have been sent out this week. I cannot stress enough the importance of booking a slot with your child's teacher. We are nearly halfway through the academic year, and these meetings provide an excellent opportunity to discuss your child's achievements and learning journey so far.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement with our school community.

*Many thanks for your continued support and co-operation.  
Mrs J Logue*

The Catholic Jubilee Year of 2025, titled "Pilgrims of Hope", is a year of prayer, pilgrimage and reflection. The theme is an invitation to share the Christian faith and to rekindle hope in a world that is suffering.

**Diary Dates**

**Y4S and Y6G swimming**  
**Wednesday 4th February**

**Y5/2 Mass in Church**  
**Wednesday 4th February**

**Reception Classes**  
**Inspire**  
**2 pm**  
**Monday 2nd February**

**Gospel Virtues**

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**Curious** about everything;  
and **Active** in their engagement with the world, changing what they can for the better.

Assembly Awards:	Maths Star of the week	Reading Star of the week	Gospel Virtues
Nursery	Dadiso	Jack	Louie
Reception	Abdur-Rehman & Artur	Esme & Hallie	Isabella & GiGi
Year One	Sosuna & Aleshay	Danait & Renato	Chester & Jennifer
Year Two	Zoya & Thandiwe	Joanna & Emmanuel	Wynter & Liam
Year Three	Jesse & Robert	Linda & Arsema	Aaliyah & Talia
Year Four	Even & Amy	Olusegun & Alfie	Daberechukwu & Orla
Year Five	Jeniyah & Alisha	Julian & Laura	Hanna Z & Tyanah
Year Six	Roman & Frida	Matt & Ta'Jae	Helen & Penelope-Pearl



Rael, Brooke, Esme,  
Lamek, Efosasere,  
Nathan T and Jenson.



***Many thanks to our Altar Servers, Readers and Offertory helpers in Mass today.***

***Kyrian, Mukt, Joel, Joshua B, Mmesoma, Nancy-Lou, Mikael, Nori, Devon, Rita and Olivia.***



## Snippet of News

**Our Mini Vinnies have planned a fundraising event for next Thursday.  
They have arranged a penalty shoot out!  
Details have been sent home with your child today.**

### Attendance Notice Board

It is vital that your child is on time and in school every day, unless there is a medical reason for them not being here. If your child is off school and we haven't seen them, you may receive a visit from myself or a Deputy DSL as part of our Safe and Well checks. Please remember that our children have a right to an education - this is laid out in UNICEF's Article 28 - A Right to an Education.

#### Article of the Week



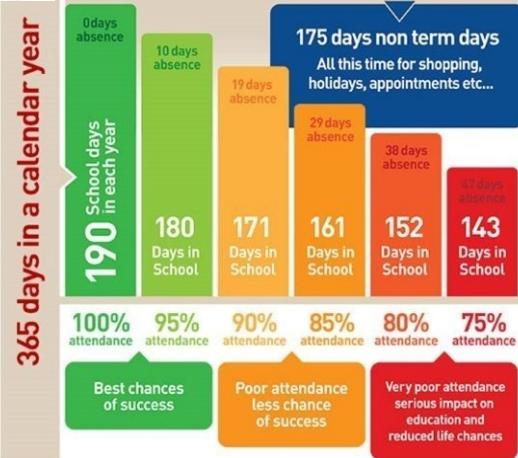
**Our overall attendance: 94%**

#### ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 90%      Y1 Attendance = 93%  
Y2 Attendance = 94%      Y3 Attendance = 97%  
Y4 Attendance = 93%      Y5 Attendance = 92%  
Y6 Attendance = 96%



Good attendance at St Margaret Mary means being in school at least 95% of the time [180-190 days]



Article 19 —  
Protection from violence, abuse and neglect.