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Thought for the week:

‘Hail Mary’.



That everyone might have food

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

8th May 2026

Dear Parents,

What a wonderful week we have had in school. I was delighted to see **Year 2** and **Year 5** leading us in **Mass** this week, with the beautiful theme of **'Whoever abides in me and I in him will bear much fruit'**. It was truly special to see our pupils celebrating the **Word** together during this season of **Easter tide**, and their participation really brought the message to life for everyone gathered.

Mrs Marks and I have also had the privilege of visiting classes who have been holding **Child Led liturgies**. These are such powerful experiences for our children. To see them organising and coordinating together, **gathering** to celebrate the Word, **responding** in prayer and **reflection**, and then taking a mission away from the experience—it is wonderful to witness their **growing relationship with God** develop in such meaningful ways.

As we move into **May**, we turn our focus to celebrating **Our Lady**. Throughout this month, our classes will be saying the **Hail Mary** or a decade of the **Rosary** daily to honour her. We are looking forward to celebrating our May Procession with the children in a few weeks' time, and we would love for families to support this special occasion. If you are able to contribute a flower, a plant, or a homemade picture to be brought into school in honour of Mary, this would be wonderful. We will remind you nearer the time.

On a practical note, this week we have written to all our new **Reception** parents with details of the parent meeting that will be held in **June**. This letter also shares information about the **induction days** that will take place with the children in school during **July**. We are very much looking forward to welcoming our new **Reception** pupils into our school community. We will be writing to our new **Nursery** parents **next week** with similar information about their **induction** process.

Next week marks an exciting and significant milestone for our **Year 6** pupils as they undertake their **SATs exams**. This is an important time for the children, and we are committed to supporting them through this experience in the most positive way possible. To help us settle the pupils calmly and ensure they are ready to do their best, it is really important that the children are here on time every day for a prompt start. I would kindly ask that you ensure your child has had breakfast and arrives at school between 8.30 and 8.45 am. Those first few minutes of the day are crucial for helping the children feel settled and prepared, and a prompt start allows us to begin each session in a calm and focused manner.

The **SATs** will take place across **four days** next week. **The grammar, punctuation and spelling test will be on Monday, followed by the Reading exam on Tuesday. The Maths papers will take place over Wednesday and Thursday, with papers 1, 2 and 3 scheduled across these two days.** We have been working closely with **Year 6** to prepare them well for these assessments, and I have every confidence that they will approach them with the resilience and determination they have shown throughout their time at **St Margaret Mary**.

Finally, I am delighted to share that **Mr Mulligan** has launched another **Times Table Rockstars challenge**. This is always a wonderful initiative that engages our pupils and supports their mathematical development in such an enjoyable way.

Thank you for your continued support of **St Margaret Mary**.

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



Diary Dates

Swimming session for 3Mc and 5T on Wednesday 13th May.

School Mass for Y3/6 in Church on Wednesday 13th May at 9.15 am

Non Uniform day May Birthdays on Thursday 21st May

Gospel Virtues



Gratitude recognizes all blessings as gifts from **God**, which inspires a **generous** heart to share time, talents, and resources with others, becoming "men and women for others". These virtues reflect God's love and **stewardship**

Assembly Awards:	Maths Star of the week	Reading Star of the week	Gospel Virtues
Nursery	Abiodun	Penny	Alfie
Reception	Jason & Logan	Leo & Hallie	Avital & Artur
Year One	Joson & Renato	Ericha & Tisha	Sophie & Lola
Year Two	Kebron & Arad	Szymon & Maranata	Yulyanna & Ava
Year Three	Sophie & Haben	Natalia & Amara	Aaliyah & Devon
Year Four	Israel & Orla	Daberechukwu & Tienna	Wiktorija & Yanet
Year Five	Kardin & Elilta	Nicai & Amayah	Grace E & Alisha
Year Six	Raena & Penelope-Pearl	Zayan & Victoria	Isabella & George



Rome, Monté, Eyuai, Roman, Noah, Krish,
Eden B, Ellena, Emmanuel A,
Penelope-Pearl, Grayson, Marnie, Martyna,
Zaviyar and Ethan D.



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

Laura, Tyanah, Adam, Nicai, Amelia F, Emmanuel A, Oma, Luella, Yulyanna, Jemima, Lewis C, Szymon S, Zikora and Kaian.



Snippet of News

Thank you to our School Parliament; wellbeing council for organising our Rainbow Day this week. We raised a total of £100.00 for the charity Mind.

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.

Our overall attendance: 95%

ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 92% Y1 Attendance = 98%
Y2 Attendance = 98% Y3 Attendance = 95%
Y4 Attendance = 94% Y5 Attendance = 90%
Y6 Attendance = 95%

Congratulations to Year 1J on their 100% attendance this week!

Article of the Week



Article 30—Children from minority or indigenous groups



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

