



St. Mary's

Newsletter

8th May 2026

John 14:15-21



Our Faith...

In the Gospel on Sunday, Jesus tells us that if we love Him, we must keep His commandments. Jesus wanted to comfort His disciples and He promised that the Father would send a Helper, the Holy Spirit.

Our Faith in Action...

It is the **Feast of the Ascension** on Thursday 14th May. The Feast of the Ascension commemorates the ascension of Jesus into heaven, traditionally observed 40 days after Easter.



Fr Tim will celebrate Mass in school at 9am on Thursday 14th May. All are welcome. We thank Fr Tim for his continued support.

Month of May...

During the month of May, we remember **Our Lady** in a special way. Children will have opportunities to pray the Rosary throughout the month.

On Friday, we will hold our annual **May Procession**. Children are invited to wear blue to school and to bring a flower or small plant to place at the feet of Our Lady as we create a grotto in her honour.



Our Learning!

Our Pupil Profile
Virtues:



'Go, therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit' (Matthew 28:19)



We are called to be
peacemakers
~ Promoting Peace

Catholic Social
Teaching Principle



Year 6 have had a wonderful time on their residential trip to [Llangrannog](#) this week. It has been lovely to see the wide range of activities they have enjoyed, including skiing, tobogganing, go-karting and swimming, to name just a few!

Y5/6 have been learning about the [digestive system](#) and conducted an engaging experiment.



Y4/5 have been exploring [shadows](#) and they made models with tin foil then used a torch to see and trace the shadow. Some children had fun creating optical illusions!



Y3 have studied paintings of [The Road to Emmaus](#) by different artists. They then created their own pictures and made links between the story and some of the actions used today at Mass.



Y2 have been learning how to measure accurately. They began by using non-standard units, such as multilink blocks, before moving on to rulers and metre sticks to measure using [standard units](#): centimetres and metres.

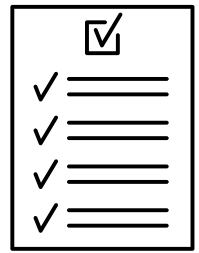


Y1 made delicious jam sandwiches to enjoy in Newcastle Castle as part of their [Royal Banquet!](#)





NOTICES



The Welsh Government online [personalised assessments](#) will take place between 11th May to 19th June.

Please find further information for parents here:

www.stmaryscatholicprimary.co.uk/page/?title=Personalised+Assessments&pid=122

The tests are completed online and are adaptive, meaning that they are tailored for every child. They give a snapshot of your child's skills at a particular time.

We have a sample of old past papers (they were previously paper tests) on our website [here](#), if you would like to look over the style of questions that children may be asked. Thank you for your support.

Learning Café (Y2-Y4)

3.25 – 4.15pm

Come along for a slice of cake, a shared story and a cup of tea; and find out ways to support your child's learning at home.



DIARY DATES



Thursdays	Mr Carpenter (Chippy) from Spanish Soccer will be working with Y4, Y4/5, Y5/6 and Y6 this term.	Multisports Club will be for Y2 and Y3 this term. The club is currently full and we are operating a waiting list.
Fridays	Miss Nikki from New You Dance (NYD) will be working with Pod Enfys and Y1.	We will continue to use proceeds from the Nativity Ticket sales to cover the cost of this excellent provision. Thank you for your support.
w/c 11th May	Nursery Settling in sessions	
Thursday 14th May	Mass for the Ascension of the Lord	9am
Friday 15th May	May Procession and Devotion to Our Lady	Children are invited to wear blue to school and to bring a flower / plant to lay at the feet of our Lady.
Sunday 17th May	First Holy Communion	
Monday 18th May	Class Photos	Learning Café (Y2-Y4) 3.25 – 4.15pm Come along for a slice of cake, a shared story and a cup of tea; and find out ways to support your child's learning at home.
Friday 22nd May	Last day of term	
Monday 1st June	Return to school	



As a Catholic Family, we will do our best; to live and learn as Christ taught us.

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