



# St. Mary's Newsletter

15th May 2026

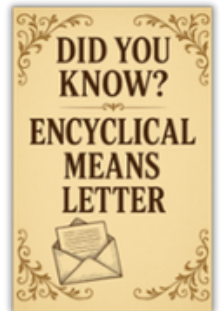


## Our Faith...

In the Gospel on Sunday, we hear Jesus praying for His friends and for us. He wanted us to be one, to be united in **love**, as closely as Jesus and God the Father are united in love.

In his encyclical **Laudato Si'**, Pope Francis asked us all to join together to care for our earth and each other.

Watch CAFOD's animation about the encyclical, *Laudato Si'*, [HERE](#).



## Our Faith in Action...

Fr Tim celebrated a beautiful Mass in school yesterday for the feast of the Ascension. Our sincere thanks to Fr Tim and Deacon Philip who help us to celebrate and live out our faith.



We keep the children who are making their **First Holy Communion** on Sunday in our prayers.



We joined together as a school community to celebrate and congratulate **Fr Tim on his Pearl Jubilee**, marking 30 years of priesthood. We are very grateful for the support and service he continues to give to our school.

# 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.

Our **May Procession** took place today and our outdoor cabin was transformed into a beautiful, colourful Grotto for Our Lady. A huge thank you for all of the beautiful flowers and plants brought into school for children to lay at the feet of Our Lady. We are looking forward to planting the plants around our grounds.



## 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

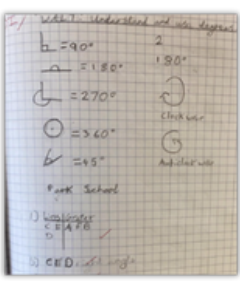


Children in the Atelier have been busy gardening, printing with paint and exploring Numicon!



Year 1 have been planting sunflower seeds and exploring wildlife in our pond!

I love the dove mobiles that Y2 made to show their learning about the Fruits of the Holy Spirit.

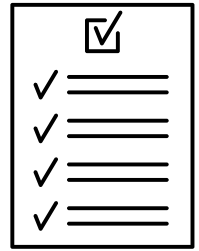


Y5/6 have been learning about different size angles.  
**Right angle - acute - obtuse - reflex.**





# 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](http://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



<b>Thursdays</b>	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.
<b>Fridays</b>	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.
<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May</b>	First Holy Communion	
<b>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May</b>	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.
<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May</b>	Last day of term	
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May</b>	Half Term Break	School closed.
<b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June</b>	Return to school	
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June</b>	INSET Day	Staff training – school closed to children.
<b>Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June</b>	INSET Day	Staff training – school closed to children.



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

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# INSET DAYS

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School will be closed to pupils on  
the following INSET days:



**19th June**



**22nd June**



**20th July**



Thank you for your understanding  
and support.