



ST MARY MAGDALEN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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What a joy it was to see the children in their costumes today as we celebrated World Book Day. There were some ingenious outfits and the children had a wonderful day writing 30 storybooks which were made up of contributions from children from Reception all the way to Year 6. We enjoyed sharing our costumes and our stories in our whole school assembly and a huge thank you to Ms Anderson and Mrs Delap for their hard work towards a fun and fabulous day.

Dates for your diary

Monday 14th March – Netball v Marshgate Away

Wednesday 16th March – A Day for Ukraine

Wednesday 16th March – Boys' Football Tournament at NPL

Thursday 17th March – Y6 Junior Citizen at Holly Lodge

Monday 21st March – Netball v Darell School Home

Thursday 23rd March - PTA Event – Wine and Paint Evening

Thursday 24th March - Cyber Use and Cyber Crime Talk for Parents 5-6.30pm

Friday 25th March – Year 2 Scooter Training

Saturday 26th March – PTA Event – School Spring Clean

Thursday 31st March – Way of the Cross led by Year 6

Friday 1st April – School Closes for Easter Holidays at 1pm

Monday 3rd – Monday 18th April - Easter Holidays

Tuesday 19th April – Start of Summer Term

Friday 22nd April – Great Mary Mag's Bake Off

Friday 29th April – School Closed RE INSET

A Day for Ukraine

I know that we all remain deeply concerned about the events in Ukraine and that those affected are in our thoughts and prayers. In partnership with the Disasters Emergency Committee First News is running a DAY FOR UKRAINE and inviting schools to take part. The aim is to raise funds for those impacted by the invasion and to show our support for the people of Ukraine. On Wednesday (16th March) children can wear blue and yellow to school and donate £1 to the appeal. We will also be writing prayers for peace to display within the school and provide our pupils with a place for solace, reflection and prayer. More information can be found at: <https://schools.firstnews.co.uk/ukraine/>

More World Book Day Resources

The National Literacy Trust has been running world book day for twenty-five years and have produced a wide range of resources to inspire children to read. These include two booklists, the first is packed with suggestions for titles to try after enjoying a special World Book Day read. [World Book Day 2022: What to read next...](#) The second collection brings together 25 favourite, fantastic books, marking 25 years of the

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Young Readers Programme. [25 books for 25 years: Young Readers booklist](#) There are also have a huge range of resources that focus on storytelling and reading for pleasure. Here are a few you might like to try:

- [Young Readers Story Club](#) – themed tales read by authors and storytellers
- [Supporting early years children](#) to tell stories.
- Are you looking for some [brilliant ideas to encourage reading for pleasure?](#)
- Learn more about [A River of Stories - Tales and Poems from Across the Commonwealth](#)

Tag Rugby Matches

Our children played three Tag Rugby League matches this week at Christ's School. They played Queen's, Holy Trinity and Marshgate and had two very convincing victories. Well done to all the children who competed on great strategic play and for being wonderful ambassadors for our school. Thank you to Hassan Davies who coaches the teams and to our parent volunteers, Mrs Grech and Mrs Hubbard, and to Mrs Barrett without whose support we would not be able to compete.

PTA Events

Wine & Paint Evening

Tickets for our inaugural Wine & Paint evening are available to buy on pay for £25. The event, taking place in the school hall on Wednesday 23rd March at 7.30pm, will be led by a local artist. No previous painting experience is required! Join us for a creative evening and enjoy a glass of wine while raising vital funds for our school. <https://www.scopay.com/login.html>

School Spring Clean Up Day

Thank you to those who have already volunteered for our Spring Clean Saturday. There is a lot to do and we need as many volunteers as possible so please do sign up if you can spare any time on Saturday 26th March <https://forms.gle/gQWXutKvyHHY8NrY9>. We look forward to a fun and productive day that will make a real difference to our school environment.

Financial Year-End 2022

Bookings for breakfast club, clubs, school lunches and trips on SCOPay will close on Monday 21st March 2022 at midday and will re-open on Monday 4th April at 11a.m. This is because of the financial year-end. Please top up your child's school lunch account, breakfast club or make payments for school trips, Governors' Fund before 21st March. All P.T.A events and school uniform purchases will remain open.

Pupils of the Week

Reception – Paddling Class – Dominic Schab
Year 1 – Circus Class – Daniel Izcara Jimenez
Year 2 – Tribe Class – Grace Fox
Year 3D – Leap Class – Evie-Rose Beglane
Year 3FC – Zeal Class – Vitto Estaccio
Year 4 – Journey Class – Raffi Boghossian
Year 5 – Aurora Class – Oliver Gardiner
Year 6 – Parade Class – Chelsea Silva

Headteacher's Award for Exceptional Work

Felix Young for fabulous reading about disgusting ingredients!

Amelia Wilkes for super science work.

Rosie O'Connell for wonderful work using Tudor sources in history

I hope that you have a peaceful weekend with your children,
Catherine Hughes
Headteacher