

St Mary's New Mills Catholic Life and Mission



NEWSLETTER

PENTECOST 2026

End of Year Reflection

As get to the end of another school year we are going to pause for moment and reflect on the year we have just completed. Think about all your successes, any times of challenge and those time when you think you have been unsuccessful.

Think about the times when you have laughed, times you have achieved something that you didn't think you could do, the times when you might have struggled and any times you have cried. We need to offer these up all to God and most importantly give thanks for guiding and watching over us this year. We pray that he keeps us all safe over the summer.

"Oh give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever!" Psalm 107:1

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Mini Vinnies

Class 3 have had an excellent year this year as Mini Vinnies, they have really turned concern into action for multiple groups, first they raised money for Ronald MacDonnald House and now they have just completed a **very hot** sponsored run which we did as a sponsored walk to raise money for Bushwanga, our sister school in Uganda. They set themselves the challenge to run 20 miles as a class and they aboslutely smashed their goal.

Crowning Mary Queen of Heaven and Earth

During May we had our annual May procession to Crown Mary as Queen of Heaven and Earth. All the children brought in flowers to place at the foot of the shrine of Our Lady., giving thanks for all the guidance that she gives us as a school and parish community. Our Lady... **Pray for us**



"Apart from the cross, there is no other ladder by which we may go to heaven." *St Rose of Lima*

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Year 5 Briars Residential



Year 5 had an amazing retreat experience at The Briars during this term. They learnt how to be agents of Love through being part of the Secret Agent Training Programme, I am pleased to announce that all the children graduated at the end of the three days. We were blessed to share the experience and make new friends with children from St Annes, Buxton.



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FAITH IN ACTION

Year 5 have been working incredibly hard this year with Dan on their Faith in Action award. They have been working in groups to put their Faith into action. Dan has been blown away by their hard work, passion and perservance during this year. We have had groups working with children from Class 1 and Class 2 on things such as Maths, drawing, Bible stories, Drama and many more fabulous ideas. Well done to you all.



YEAR 6 SATS

Congratulations to all the year 6 children who have now received their SATs results. Everyone at St Mary's is so proud of you all you.



CHAPLAINCY INTERVIEWS

Patrick and Henry, supported by Mrs Chapman and Dan, interviewed the potential new Mary's Missionaries. We were all amazed by how much interest there was from the year 5s and were blown away by some of the answers given. We are pleased to announce that all applicants were successful meaning we will have two teams and the teams will work on a two weekly cycle. We are also having a rebrand of the Senior Chaplains, from September they will be known as Mary's Missionaries.

"As Lent is the time for greater love listen to Jesus' thirst... 'Repent and believe' " St Teresa of Calcutta



GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK

At the end of the year it always a bittersweet moment. We are all really excited for our summer holidays but it also means that we have to say goodbye to our amazing Year 6s. I just wanted to take the opportunity to wish everyone the very best of luck in the next chapter of their pilgrimage of life and say that although you are leaving St Mary's you are always part of the St Mary's Family.

Goodbye and God bless
Dan

YOU ARE
Awesome



END OF YEAR MASS

All the children participated beautifully in the end of year, leavers Mass as we bid a fond farewell to Year 6.

GOODBYE FROM DAN

I have thoroughly enjoyed my three years at St Mary's and it is with a heavy heart that I am leaving. I would like to take this opportunity as we come to the end of this academic year is to wish all the staff, children and families the best of the luck for the future. It has been a privilege for me to be part of your school community and play a role in the faith journey of the incredible staff and children of St Mary's. Thank you for welcoming me so warmly, for your friendship, your encouragement, and the many conversations, smiles, and prayers we have shared over the years. You have taught me as much as I could ever have hoped to offer, and I will always be grateful for the memories we have made together. This community is a very special place made up of special people, I will always hold this community in my thoughts and prayers. I have never liked goodbyes so hopefully this will just be a see you soon.

God bless
Dan

"May He make us children of God, He who for our sakes wished to become a Child of man." *St. Augustine Hippo*

