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Busy Bees at St Mary's 🐝

In every classroom, near and far, the children shine like a bright new star. With pencils ready and minds switched on, they face the tasks until they're done.

Year 4 tackled their times table quest, multiplication put to the test! "Six times eight?" they didn't frown, they nailed it all and wrote it down.

Year 1 had phonics fun, blending sounds till tests were done. "Qu" and "ch" and silent "e," they read with pride for all to see!

Year 5 went to church to pray, Quiet hearts and voices that day. They lit up pews with peaceful grace, a lovely calm in a sacred space.

Year 6 head off to swim with cheer, Splashing through the water clear. They glide and float, and even race, with happy hearts and splashing grace.

And speaking of Year 6 - big news ahead! The prom is near, just up the thread! They're buzzing with excitement wide, for dancing, fun, and school-day pride.

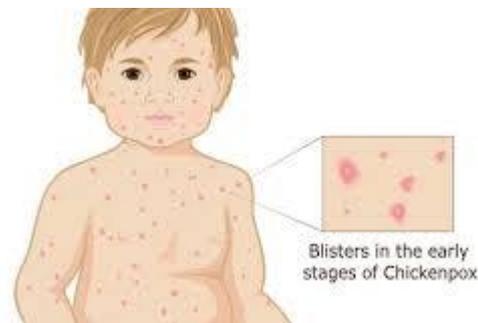
At St Mary's, each day's a blast, from learning now to memories that last. So here's to laughter, dreams, and cheer—
We're proud of every child right here! 🌟



A Huge Thank You – KS1 and KS2 Sports Days

We want to extend a heartfelt *thank you* to all parents, carers, and family members who joined us for our KS1 and KS2 Sports Days. Your enthusiastic support and encouragement meant the world to the children, and we couldn't have asked for better turnouts. The atmosphere was filled with laughter, cheers, and proud moments as our pupils showed off their teamwork, sportsmanship, and determination. It was a joy to see so many smiling faces on and off the field!

Chickenpox Update We'd like to make you aware that we've had a number of confirmed cases of chickenpox in school. We are monitoring the situation closely and taking the necessary steps to limit its spread. If your child shows any symptoms, such as a fever, tiredness, or the distinctive rash, please keep them at home and consult your GP. Thank you for helping us keep our community healthy.



Year 1 Curriculum Assembly A big well done to our brilliant Year 1 pupils for their Curriculum Assembly today! They worked hard to prepare, and it really showed. Thank you to all the families who came along—it was lovely to see such a strong turnout and to share in the children's learning.



No Clubs on Monday: Parents' Evening

A quick reminder that there will be *no after-school clubs on Monday* due to Parents' Evening. We look forward to seeing many of you then to talk about your child's progress.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support and involvement in school life. Wishing you a restful weekend.

Mary's Meals: Making a Big Difference with 10p Coins!



As part of our ongoing support for *Mary's Meals*, our wonderful children have been collecting 10p coins to help provide meals for children in need across the world. It's been so heart-warming to see how much thought and care they've put into it.

One touching moment came from one of our youngest pupils in Reception, who proudly handed his teacher a little box filled with the coins he had collected. Moments like these remind us of the power of compassion and how even the smallest actions can make a big difference.

Thank you to all families who've supported this effort...every coin helps change a child's life.

The Catholic Church this week

Here's what's happening in the Catholic world this week, explained in a way that's easy for children to understand:

 **Celebrating Freedom** Some Catholic churches in America are celebrating a special day called *Juneteenth*. It remembers the time when people who had been treated unfairly were finally told they were free. Churches are having fun events with music, stories, and food to help everyone learn about kindness, fairness, and treating others with love.

 **Religious Freedom Week** This week, Catholics are also thinking about how important it is to be able to pray and believe in God freely. It's called *Religious Freedom Week*, and the theme is "Witnesses to Hope." That means we're all trying to be hopeful and brave when we talk about our faith and help others.

 **Refugee Week** Churches are remembering people who had to leave their homes because of danger or war. They're saying prayers and doing kind things to show that everyone deserves a safe place to live. Some churches are even having music and food from different countries to celebrate how we can all be friends, no matter where we come from.