

St Mary's Catholic Primary School

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A Heartfelt Thank You to Joyce Monaghan

As this academic year draws to a close, we would like to pay tribute to a truly remarkable member of our school family, Mrs Joyce Monaghan, who is stepping down from her role as Chair of Governors after many years of dedicated service to St Mary's Catholic Primary School.

Joyce has given countless hours of her time to our school, not for recognition or financial reward, but simply because of her deep commitment to Catholic education, her love for our school community and her desire to ensure that the children of South Telford receive the very best opportunities in life.

Throughout her years of service, Joyce has been a steadfast source of support, wisdom and encouragement. She has worked tirelessly behind the scenes, helping to guide the strategic direction of the school while always keeping the needs of our children at the centre of every decision. Her leadership has helped St Mary's to grow and flourish, and her influence can be seen in so many aspects of school life.

As Chair of Governors, Joyce has been a trusted friend to staff, a listening ear for parents and a passionate advocate for every child in our care. She has celebrated our

successes, supported us through challenges and always believed in the importance of providing an education rooted in faith, love and aspiration.

Joyce's commitment to the Catholic life of the school has been particularly inspiring. She has lived out the Gospel values that are so important to our community, demonstrating compassion, humility, service and kindness in all that she does. Her faith has guided her work, and she has consistently reminded us that our mission is about much more than academic success; it is about helping young people grow into caring, compassionate and responsible members of society.

Many children and families will never fully realise the positive impact Joyce has had on their school experience. The decisions she has helped make, the time she has freely given and the unwavering support she has provided have all contributed to making St Mary's the special place it is today.

On behalf of our governors, staff, pupils, parents and parish community, we would like to offer our deepest thanks to Joyce for her years of exceptional service. Her dedication, generosity and commitment have earned the admiration and respect of everyone who has had the privilege of working alongside her.

Although Joyce is stepping down from this role, her legacy will remain an important part of the St Mary's story for many years to come.

Joyce, thank you for everything you have done for our school family. We wish you every happiness, good health and God's richest blessings for the future.

"Well done, good and faithful servant." (Matthew 25:23)

Monday Morning Registration Arrangements

We would like to remind families that school registration times will remain unchanged on Monday morning. All pupils are expected by Telford and Wrekin Council to arrive at school as normal and be in class ready for registration at the usual time. Thank you for your support in ensuring a prompt start to the school day.



🎉 Monday Morning
Celebration and Fun! ⚽ 🍌

Whether we win or lose....

To celebrate the football and enjoy some time together as a school community, we are planning a special morning of fun on Monday.

We would love every child to bring along a small item of food to share with their classmates. This could be a croissant, breadsticks, muffins, cake or another favourite treat. We will enjoy these together during the morning. Please ensure that any food brought into school is completely nut-free.

Children are also invited to come to school wearing their sports kit, PE kit or favourite football shirt. Whether they support England, another team, or simply love sport, we'd love to see everyone dressed for the occasion!

From 9:00am, we will be taking our PE equipment onto the field and enjoying a range of fun games, sporting activities and little challenges. It promises to be a fantastic opportunity for children to spend time with friends, get active and start the week with lots of smiles and school spirit.

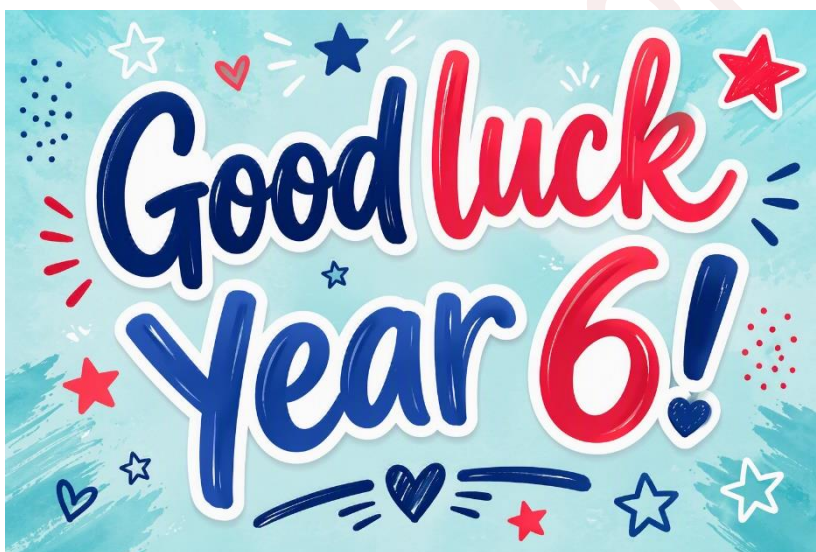
We are looking forward to a fun-filled morning and hope all of the children enjoy being part of the celebrations! ☀️ ⚽ 🏃 🏃 🎈

After-School Clubs

Please note that all after-school clubs have now finished for this academic year and will resume in September. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the staff who have given their time to run these activities and to parents for their continued support throughout the year. Most importantly, thank you to the children for their enthusiasm and commitment—we hope they have enjoyed the wide range of opportunities on offer.

Good Luck, Year 6!

Next week, our Year 6 pupils will be attending their secondary school transition days. This is an exciting milestone as they begin preparing for the next stage of their education. We would like to wish all of our Year 6 children the very best for these visits. We hope they enjoy meeting new



teachers, making new friends and exploring their new school environments. We are confident they will be fantastic ambassadors for our school and wish them every success as they begin this exciting new chapter.



 [Follow Our New Facebook Page!](#)

Have you followed our new Facebook page yet?

Our Facebook page is a fantastic way to keep up to date with everything happening in school. We regularly share photographs of children's learning, exciting activities, special events, celebrations, sporting successes and many of the wonderful experiences that take place throughout the school year.

We also post useful reminders, important announcements and information about events, activities and opportunities taking place in the local community that may be of interest to families.

We would love as many parents, carers, family members and friends of the school as possible to join our online community and celebrate the amazing things our children achieve every day.

 Please follow the link below and give our page a follow to stay connected and informed.

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Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to sharing our school journey with you! 🌞 📖 📷

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Please do this before Friday 10th July.

Thank you.

Congratulations, Miss Magill

We would like to extend our heartfelt congratulations to Sarah Magill, one of our wonderful Reception Teaching Assistants, on her successful application to become an Apprentice Educational Psychologist with the University of Wolverhampton.

This is a fantastic achievement and a reflection of Sarah's dedication, compassion and commitment to supporting children and families. During her time at St Mary's, Sarah has touched the lives of so many children, helping to ensure that they receive the very best possible start to their school journey. Her encouragement, patience and nurturing approach have made a lasting difference to countless pupils and their families.

Sarah is a valued member of our school community and someone who lives out the Gospel message every day. Through her kind words, thoughtful actions and warm, caring nature, she has demonstrated what it means to serve others with love and compassion. She is deeply respected by colleagues, and children alike for her hard work, professionalism and unwavering dedication to the young people in our care.

Whilst we are incredibly proud of Sarah and this exciting new chapter in her career, we know that she will be greatly missed by everyone at St Mary's. Her contribution to our school has been immense, and the positive impact she has had will continue to be felt for many years to come.

Sarah, we thank you for everything you have done for our school family and wish you every success and happiness in the future. We have no doubt that you will go on to make an outstanding Educational Psychologist.

Good luck, Sarah and may God bless you as you begin this exciting new journey.

SATs Results Update

We would like to inform parents and carers that Key Stage 2 SATs results will not be returned to schools until 16th July. Once we receive the results, we will carefully review them and ensure that they are shared with families in the usual way. We appreciate your patience and would like to thank our Year 6 pupils for the hard work, determination and resilience they have shown throughout the assessment process. We are extremely proud of the effort they have put in and look forward to celebrating their achievements when the results arrive.

St Mary's has got talent!!!

We have been incredibly impressed by the fantastic entries submitted for our St Mary's Has Got Talent competition. The creativity, enthusiasm and confidence shown by the children have been wonderful to see, and it is clear how much effort has gone into preparing each performance.



Over the coming days, the children will have the exciting opportunity to vote for their favourite acts. The highest-scoring performances will then progress to our grand final, where they will showcase their talents once again.

The competition has created a real buzz around school, and we have loved seeing the children encourage and support one another throughout the process.

A huge thank you goes to all of our parents and carers for your support at home. Whether helping children to practise, rehearse, learn lines, perfect dance routines or build their confidence, your encouragement has played an important part in making this event such a success. We are looking forward to announcing our finalists and celebrating the amazing talents that make our school community so special!

School Meals & Payments Reminder

We would like to remind all parents and carers to please ensure that any outstanding dinner money or other balances owed to the school are settled as soon as possible.

Keeping accounts up to date helps us manage our services effectively and ensures that we can continue to provide a smooth and efficient experience for all pupils. If your child has a school meal account or there are any other payments due, we would be grateful if these could be cleared promptly.

If you are unsure whether you have an outstanding balance, please check your payment account or contact the school office, who will be happy to help.

We understand that circumstances can sometimes make payments difficult. If you are experiencing any challenges, please do get in touch with us in confidence so that we can offer support.

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A Prayer for Our School Family

Dear Lord,

As we come close to the end of another wonderful school year, we thank
You for all the blessings You have given our school family.

Thank You for the fun of Sports Days, for the excitement of races and games, and for the families and friends who came to cheer us on.

Thank You for Parents' Evenings and Open Afternoons, when we shared our learning and celebrated all that we have achieved together.

Thank You for Dress Down Days, for opportunities to help others, and for teaching us how to be generous and kind.

As some children prepare for transition days and move on to secondary school, fill them with confidence, courage and hope. Help them to embrace new challenges and make new friends, knowing that You are always beside them.

We pray for the new starters who will soon join our school family. Help them to feel welcomed, valued and loved from their very first day.

Bless our parents, carers, governors and staff who work together to help our children flourish. Thank You for their support, encouragement and care throughout the year.

May we continue to live out our mission statement every day:

"Love One Another."

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.  