

St Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School

Recognising and celebrating the presence of Christ in one another.

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Weekly News

Dear Parents,

In this week's Gospel message, we hear the story of two men, one of whom is rich and feasts every day on good food. The other man, Lazarus, is poor and he longs for something to eat. The rich man has more than he needs; however, he does not help Lazarus. Through this Parable, we are called to think of a time when we have ignored someone, or been ignored. We all have times when we could help others and times when we are in need of support ourselves. Let us show through our words and actions that we are there for others.

This week, we have enjoyed a treat lunch on Thursday. Thank you for supporting this initiative and thank you to our lunch staff for a particularly busy lunchtime. We have been reflecting on how lucky we are to have hot lunches and an education every day. Thank you to our cooks for making these delicious goods. In addition, thank you for supporting our Family Fast Day today by donating treats! We will send these to the Thomas Project Food Bank so that they can benefit others. Thank you for your generosity!

Well done, Y5, who enjoyed a very energetic and tiring day at Woodlands on Monday. Their confidence and team work skills were called upon to meet the challenges and a great day was had by all.

National Poetry Day falls during this half term and following on from last year's successful visit from Pep the Poet, we are celebrating in a little bit more of a low-key way in school this year, but enjoyable none-the-less. We will be listening to well-known poets and reading, appreciating and reciting poems. We always talk about the benefits of reading widely in school and poetry is no exception. It helps support language and communication development, build vocabulary, improve comprehension skills and provide enjoyment.

Thank you to those parents who were able to attend our YN and YR coffee mornings this last week. We hope you found these relaxed, informative and had a chance to meet some of the other parents.

Have a lovely weekend. Kind regards, Mrs Hill

Art Work

Here is some more of our beautiful art work around the theme of our Jubilee Year - Pilgrims of Hope.
We have been learning about a character called 'Luce.'
Each class has taken Luce on an imaginary pilgrimage to a special place.



Year Five have been researching, drawing and producing fact files on Fatima, whilst praying for our world. Year Six have been finding out about St Chad's and praying for all of our Bishops and Priests.



Reception have been praying for their family and exploring and drawing rainbows as a sign of hope in the world.



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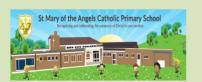
Notices

- Our PTA run a successful initiative the 50/50 Club. We sent some details out a few weeks ago and hope that you will consider signing up. Please ask the office if you have any questions and they can direct you to one of our PTA. Our September winner was Mollie Layland, winning £50 Congratulations. The cheque is in the school office for you to collect.
- We are on menu week 2 of our updated menu next week. We are also still looking to recruit a kitchen manager. Please see the advert attached and pass it on to anyone who may be interested.

Admissions Reminders:

- For applications is 31st October 2025.
- > If your child is due to start Reception in September 2026, you need to apply between now and 15th January 2026 through Walsall Council.
- If your child is due to start Nursery in September 2026, please apply via the school office by 13th February.
- Please contact the school office if you have any questions.

We have an open day for prospective Nursery and Reception parents. You are welcome to join us to find out more about the school on: Wednesday 5th November at 9:30am If you know of any prospective parents, please pass on this message. We look forward to seeing you then.



Events

Tuesday 7th October - Y3 walk to Mass with the Parish

The Tempest photographer will be in school on Thursday 9th October

Friday 10th October – children can wear a yellow item for mental health day

We will be having a book fayre in school, week beginning 13^{th} October – more details will follow.

Thursday 16th October 2:15pm - YR parents are invited to a welcome prayer service

Friday 17th October 9:10am Harvest Mass in school for Y1-6 (all welcome)

Parents' evenings will be on Tuesday 21st and Thursday 23rd October. Please see separate letter.

Thursday 23rd October - we will be celebrating a France themed day. Our children have access to a range of modern foreign languages, with French being the one that we primarily focus on. The children will be immersed in some lovely activities celebrating France and the French language. Children are invited to wear red, white and/or blue clothing.

Prayer and Reflection

This Sunday is the 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time.

In this Sunday's Gospel, we hear Jesus talking about the importance of having faith - complete trust to believe in God. Nothing is impossible for God.

Send your Spirit, Lord, to increase our faith in you.

And to work through the hearts of all those who believe.

Help us to believe in your goodness and to always trust in your love for us. Amen.



Yours sincerely, Mrs N. Hill Headteacher