



Newsletter No. 39: Friday 17th July 2026

Weekly News

Dear Parents,

Our thoughts and prayers are with Y6 as we say a fond farewell to them today. They have shown great maturity, talent and teamwork throughout the year, and, although we are so sad to see you go, we know that you are ready for the next part of your journey. We thank all children and families for your support and commitment to the school. It's been such a lovely end to the year with an emotional Mass this morning and the children sharing their favourite memories and their beautiful singing with us. Well done, to you all.

Thank you, Reception parents, for joining us for an emotional celebration of EYFS yesterday. What a brilliant time they have had and an amazing milestone for you all to celebrate as they move to KS1.

We have looked forward to our annual SMA Talent Show for a while - an idea that has developed from our School Council over the years. We were wowed on Tuesday with a variety of acts - all participants were spectacular and the votes were so incredibly close! Congratulations to everyone, including our winners, Lily and Aoife.

We say goodbye to Miss Floyd today, our Y4 teacher. Miss Floyd has been such an asset to our school since she started three years ago as an ECT. We will miss her so much and wish her well in her new role, teaching in China!

Today, we also said a huge thank you and a goodbye to our Chair of Governors, Mr Wintrip. Mr Wintrip has supported us at St Mary of the Angels for the past seventeen years. We are so appreciative of his time, commitment and the care he has shown to all of our school community. Mr Wintrip has been an inspiration to us and will be greatly missed.

Finally, I would like to offer a heartfelt thank you from all of the staff for all of your kind words, good wishes and gifts. As always, it is an absolute pleasure being part of the SMA family, working every day with such delightful, enthusiastic children and hard-working and talented staff. A huge thank you to our governors, who work so hard behind the scenes to ensure that St Mary's is such a magnificent place to be. Finally, thank you to you, all of our parents and families for all of your support this academic year.

We hope that you have a safe, sunny and relaxing summer break and we are looking forward to welcoming you back in September.

Kindest regards,
Mrs Hill



September Dates:

Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd
September are inset days.

Year 1-6 start back on Thursday 3rd
September

YR start on Monday 7th September

YN start on Wednesday 9th September

Inset Days for 2025-26 (school closed
to pupils):

- Tuesday 1st September
- Wednesday 2nd September
- Friday 23rd October
- Monday 4th January
- Friday 28th May

Reflection and Prayer

*Let us pray for the children,
families and staff leaving St Mary
of the Angels.*

*May God bless and be with them
as they move on.*

Dear lord,

*Help to hold me steady, moving
forwards with my eyes focussed on
You.*

*Ploughing the fields,
Planting the seeds,
And reaping the harvest for your
glory.*

*Help us to treasure the memories
we leave behind,
Bless and protect the friends from
whom we part.*

*May your Spirit travel with us.
Our journey now, and throughout
our lives,*

*Begins and ends with you, Lord,
Whose praises we sing wherever we
make our home.
Amen.*