



On The Vine

PEACE

Newsletter

St Mary's CE Primary
& Nursery School

Summer Half Term 2
2026

'Growing Together in God's Love to Achieve Excellence'

Dear Parent

As we embark on the final half term we are looking forward to our sports days and praying the sun shines. Our Year 6s will be preparing for their transition to secondary school, with a leavers' Service at St Mary's Church, a play to entertain parents and a hoedown, an opportunity for staff, children and parents to say bon voyage.

Weather

If we get any sunny days, we do endeavour to ensure that the children have some shade during lunchtimes and playtimes but would urge you to apply sunscreen prior to the children coming to school. It is not appropriate for the children to bring bottles of lotion into school but there are some brands which, if applied in the morning, will last all day. It is advisable for children to wear sun hats during sunny days. We would also suggest that for those **on packed lunches, an ice pack is included to keep sandwiches cool.**



Arts Festival

I should like to remind you that the Performing Arts festival will take place on **Wednesday 1st July from 6.15 - 8.30 pm.**

We are looking forward to welcoming parents and families of the children who are performing, to our annual performing arts festival.

Children in **Years 3** will be performing as a class and they have all been working hard in preparation for this, learning flute pieces.



Individual instrumental performers of a grade 1 standard or higher, proficient dancers or spoken word/poetry performers are invited to showcase their talents. We would appreciate your help in encouraging your child to perform. If your child is interested please email the school office marking your correspondence for the attention of Mrs Taylor.

PTA Events

The PTA have got another busy half term full of great events to get involved with:

PTA Summer Fair - Saturday 27th June, 12-3.30pm
The PTA's fabulous funday will return this year.

- **Raffle tickets should be sent home after half term**
- **19th June** - PTA collecting **pre-loved, clean cuddly toys for teddy tombola** AND own clothes day with **chocolate donations**
- **26th June** - Own clothes day with **bottle donations**

PTA Bags2School - Tuesday 7th July - before 9am

Please bring unwanted men's, ladies' & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts & accessories to the school office to donate before 9am on this day. No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please.

PTA Summer Treats/Freezy Friday - Friday 17th July, 3.15-3.45pm

The ever popular freezy Friday sale will run again after school.



Sports Day

We can now confirm our sports day dates (and reserve dates in case of poor weather!) for later in the summer term. KS1 and KS2, sports day will take place at Ashton on Mersey School and Reception and Nursery will take place at St Mary's.

Wednesday 10th June - KS2 Sports Day - 9 - 10.30am

Wednesday 24th June - KS2 Sports Day Reserve Date (in case of poor weather on Wednesday 10th June) - 9 - 10.30am

Thursday 11th June - KS1 Sports Day with Year 5 helpers - 9 - 10.30am

Thursday 18th June - KS1 Sports Day Reserve Date (in case of poor weather on Thursday 11th June) - 9 - 10.30am

Wednesday 1st July - Nursery and Reception Sports Day - 9-10am, St Mary's School Playground

Monday 6th July - Nursery and Reception

Sports Day Reserve date (in case of poor weather) - 9-10am



Eco Update

Please continue to recycle used batteries in the entrance by the school office and recycle soft plastics in the bins which are located in the playground.



A reminder that the refill shop will be running on the following dates:

-Wednesday 17th June, 3.15-3.45pm

-Saturday 17th July - Summer Fair

Please remember to bring cash to make your payments and refillable containers!

Reports

Reports will be sent home on **Friday 3rd July.**

Parents evening to discuss reports **Monday 6th July** - no appointments necessary, drop into classrooms between **3.45-5pm**



Going up Afternoon

Our annual 'Going up Afternoon', where children will have the opportunity to spend the afternoon with their teacher for the new academic year. This will take place on **Wednesday 8th July, 1.30-2.30pm.**

Nursery children who are moving to Reception in September and who do not usually have a Wednesday afternoon session should report to the School Office at 1.30pm.

Music Lessons

Xeno music are continuing to offer piano and guitar lessons in school. If you wish to arrange lessons within school time for September, please contact Mrs Longstaff at info@xeno-music.com for more details.



Trafford Music Service are also offering music lessons in school to students who will be in Year 2-6 in September. Please see the attached document regarding which instruments are available.

If you wish to book music lessons, please book them via Xeno or Trafford Music Service as soon as possible to enable timetables to be arranged.

Year 6 End of Year Events

It is that time again and Year 6 have a range of fun events to celebrate their time at St Mary's and prepare for the next step:



- **DEADLINE- Leavers Yearbook, Friday 12th June** - Email 3 photos of your child and their classmates to the school office
- **Year 6 Transition Workshop- Monday 6th July, 9.30 - 10.30am** - In school workshop with Julie Loynd, St Mary's Church Children's Pastor
- **Year 6 Production - Wednesday 15th July, 7-8.30pm** - Further details to follow
- **Hoedown - Monday 20th July, 6.30-8.15pm** - Please email to office to confirm your attendance and let them know how many tickets you would like, siblings may attend
- **Leavers' Service - Wednesday 22nd July, 8.45-10.30am** - See separate section below

End of Year Leavers Service

You are most welcome to attend the Leavers' Service at St Mary's Church on **Wednesday 22nd July** at 8.45 am. All children, with the exception of Nursery, should be taken directly to Church on that day. Please do not allow children to enter the Church until the teaching staff arrive. The Year 6 children will be presented with their Leavers' Bibles from the PTA at this service. Nursery children are of course welcome to join us, but it will be the responsibility of their parents.



Notices

Dogs in School

Please remember that dogs are not allowed on the school site. Many thanks for your cooperation.



Summer Uniform

A reminder that summer uniform comprises of the following:

- White shirt / blouse with school tie *or* Plain White polo shirt - no zips or scallops
- Grey skirt/pinafore (grey, black, white socks/grey, black tights) *or* Short/long grey tailored trousers (black / grey socks) *or* Blue and white check dress
- School V neck sweatshirt or cardigan (with logo) - available from PSU
- Royal blue blazer with badge compulsory in the Summer Term - available from PSU or Petite Modes
- Shoulder length hair should be tied back - Black, blue hair bobbles / hairbands, gingham scrunchy
- Black shoes



PE Kit

- Plain white polo shirt
- School royal blue shorts - available from PSU, **not cycling shorts**
- Black jogging bottoms (these can be worn over the royal blue shorts if cold), **not leggings**
- Trainers - black or white



To those parents whose connection with St Mary's may be finishing as their children move on to new schools, may we wish you and your child the very best for the future. We would love to hear of their progress and activities.

Finally, may I remind you that school closes on **Thursday 24th July at 2pm** and reopens on **Wednesday 3rd September at 8.35am.**

School Meals from September 2026

Please let the school office know if your child is changing from or to a school meal.

If you wish to make any changes to your child's dinner arrangements from September, please can you let the School Office know by the end of term. **A reminder for current**

Year 2 parents - please be aware that from September, universal free school meals will no longer be available for your child and payment will need to be made for a school meal.



Information

Padlets

Padlets are for professionals, parents, and young people. They help you find the information you may need in one accessible space. Padlets are like a themed noticeboard online. Each padlet brings a wealth of resources together in one place around a particular theme.

Trafford Padlets for Families

- [Start for Life Padlet](#)
- [5-11 years \(New\)](#)
- [11-25 years \(New\)](#)
- [Children's Mental Health and Emotional Wellbeing Padlet](#)
- [Family Help Padlet](#)
- [Special Educational Needs and Disability \(SEND\) Padlet](#)
- [Barriers to Education & Emotionally Based School Non-Attendance \(EBSNA\) Padlet \(New\)](#)

Mental Health <https://www.st-marys.trafford.sch.uk/pta/childrens-mental-health>

You can find resources and advice on the school website regarding children's mental health. Please be assured that we are always available to discuss any concerns or queries you may have regarding your child. Please email the school office if you would like to have a conversation about your child's mental health.



School Information

Address St Mary's CE Primary School, St Mary's Road, Sale, Cheshire, M33 6SA.

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Website <https://www.st-marys.trafford.sch.uk/>

Arbor Login <https://login.arbor.sc/>

ParentPay Login <https://www.parentpay.com/>

School Meal Menu <https://www.st-marys.trafford.sch.uk/parents-and-carers/healthy-eating>

Uniform - <http://www.stmarys.uniform4you.co.uk/> Password Stmarys1

School Nursing Team Trafford Local Care Organisation 0161 912 2340

SEND View the latest issue of the Trafford SEND Link Newsletter https://www.trafforddirectory.co.uk/kb5/trafford/fsd/advice_page?id=XKuvOqhI8WU

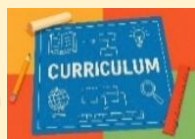
The above link is for parents and arers of children and young people who have Special Educational Needs or Disabilities, as well as those who work with them. If you would like to receive future editions of this newsletter, please sign up using the short [online form](#).



Curriculum Information

Information regarding what your Child will be learning this term can be found here: <https://www.st-marys.trafford.sch.uk/parents/carers/curriculum> .

Easy , readable knowledge organisers are also available here.



Governor Information

Information on who the Governors are and the roles that they undertake can be found on the school website here: <https://www.st-marys.trafford.sch.uk/governors/meet-the-governors>



Deadlines coming up:

Meals for School trips - a packed lunch will be provided for children who normally have a school meal – please advise the school office if you would prefer to bring your own lunch otherwise you may be charged for the meal.

- Tuesday 2nd June** - Year 1 and 2, Staircase House trip – please give consent and make payment on Arbor by this date
- Friday 12th June** - Deadline for three digital photos to be emailed to the school office for the Year 6 yearbook
- Reception, Smithills Farm trip – please give consent and make payment on Arbor by this date
- Tuesday 30th June** - Year 6, Evacuee Experience trip – please give consent and make payment on Arbor by this date
- Monday 13th July** - Year 6 Hoedown – please email the office and confirm attendance and the number of people attending by this date

Calendar Dates (subject to change)

School Closes - Half term	Friday	22 May 2026	15.15pm	
School Opens - Summer HT2 - PEACE	Monday	08 June 2026		
Multiplication Tables Checks - Year 4	w/c Monday	08 June 2026	All week	Year 4
KS1 Phonics Screening Week - 8th - 13th June	w/c Monday	08 June 2026	Various times all week	Year 2
Staircase House, Stockport (2026 Beach)	Tuesday	09 June 2026	All day	Year 1, Year 2
Resources Committee Meeting - Summer	Tuesday	09 June 2026	16.00 - 18.00	Governors
School Linking - Year 4 to Cheetham	Tuesday	09 June 2026	All day	Year 4
Magistrate Visit - Year 6	Wednesday	10 June 2026	13.30 - 15.00	Year 6
KS2 Sports Day	Wednesday	10 June 2026	8.45 - 11.00	Years 3 to Year 6
Michael Thame - WW2 Author Talk	Thursday	11 June 2026	11.00-12.00	Year 6
KS1 Sports Day & Yr 5	Thursday	11 June 2026	8.45 - 11.00	Y1, Y2, Y5
DEADLINE - Year 6 Leavers yearbook photos	Friday	12 June 2026	End of the day	Year 6
Bart G - Worship and workshops	Monday	15 June 2026	11.00 - 15.15	Years 1 - 6
Class Worship - Reception	Tuesday	16 June 2026	08.55 - 09.20	Reception
New Parent Induction Evening	Tuesday	16 June 2026	16.30 - 17.30	New Reception
Year 6 Family to Lunch	Tuesday	16 June 2026	11.40 - 12.30	Year 6
Keystings Music Workshops 2026	Wednesday	17 June 2026	09.15 - 11.30	KS1 and KS2
Eco Refill Shop	Wednesday	17 June 2026	15.15 - 15.45	All families
Smithills Farm	Thursday	18 June 2026	9:00-15:00	Reception
KS1 Sports Day & Yr 5 - RESERVE	Thursday	18 June 2026	8.45 - 11.00	Rec, Y1, Y2, Y5
Own Clothes Day - Fair Donation Chocolate and teddy tombola	Friday	19 June 2026	All day	All years
Year 6 personal Safety Workshop	Monday	22 June 2026	10:30 - 11:30	Year 6
Sale Waterside Singing Festival - Year 5	Tuesday	23 June 2026	09.00 - 12.00	Year 5
School Linking - Cheetham Yr4 to come to St Mary's	Tuesday	23 June 2026	All day	Year 4
Prospective Parent Tour	Wednesday	24 June 2026	09.30 - 10.15	Nursery, Reception
KS2 Sports Day RESERVE	Wednesday	24 June 2026	8.45 - 11.00	Years 3 to Year 6

Own Clothes Day - Fair Donation Bottles	Friday	26 June 2026	All day	All years
Class Worship - 1/20	Friday	26 June 2026	08.55 - 09.20	1/20
PTA Summer Fair	Saturday	27 June 2026	12.00 - 15.30	All years
Arts Festival Dress rehearsal	Tuesday	30 June 2026	AM	
Early Years (Nursery and Reception) Sports Day	Wednesday	01 July 2026	09.00 - 10.00	Nursery
Arts Festival	Wednesday	01 July 2026	18.30 - 20.30	Year 3 to Year 6
Trafford Pastoral Induction Day Year 6	Thursday	02 July 2026	All day	Year 6
Reports Sent Home	Friday	03 July 2026	15.15	All years
Class Worship - Year 4	Friday	03 July 2026	08.55 - 09.20	Year 4
Parent Evening to discuss reports	Monday	06 July 2026	15.45 - 17.00	All years
Year 6 Transition Workshop	Monday	06 July 2026	09.30 - 10.30	Year 6
RESERVE Early Years (Nursery and Reception) Sports Day	Monday	06 July 2026	09.00 - 10.00	Nursery
Year 5 Synagogue DATE CHANGE	Tuesday	07 July 2026	13.00 - 15.00	Year 5
Stockport Air Raid Shelter - Evacuee Experience	Tuesday	07 July 2026	All day	Year 6
PTA Bags to School	Tuesday	07 July 2026	08.40 - 09.00	All years
Going Up Afternoon	Wednesday	08 July 2026	13.30 - 14.30	All years
Year 6 Dress Rehearsal	Tuesday	14 July 2026	TBC	Whole school - audience and performers
Year 6 Production	Wednesday	15 July 2026	18.30 - 20.00	Year 6
PTA Summer treats/Freezy Friday	Friday	17 July 2026	15.15 - 16.00	All years
Year 6 Hoedown	Monday	20 July 2026	18.30 - 20.15	Year 6
Teddy bears picnic	Tuesday	21 July 2026	13.30 - 15.15	Nursery
Leavers' Service	Wednesday	22 July 2026	08.45 - 10.30	All years
School Closes - End of term	Friday	24 July 2026	2pm	