Saint Mary's

Catholic
Primary School
Congleton
A Voluntary Academy

Reception class 2026

Safe Valued Loved

Meet the Team

- Headteacher: Miss Butterfield
- Deputy headteacher: Mr Merrick
- Class Teacher: Mrs King







Our Mission



- Christ-centred community
- Every child is respected as made in the image of Christ
- Strong focus on education, wellbeing and personal growth
- Home-school partnership

Catholic Life at Saint Mary's

- School prayers (morning, lunch, home-time)
- Spontaneous prayer
- Celebration of the Word
- Regular Mass and assemblies
- Children are encouraged to grow in faith and love



Early Years Foundation Stage

- Your child will be part of the EYFS during Reception

- Play-based, creative, challenging and fun learning

- Focus on Prime & Specific Areas of Development



EYFS Prime Areas

- Communication & Language
- Physical Development
- Personal, Social & Emotional Development



EYFS Specific Areas

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts & Design



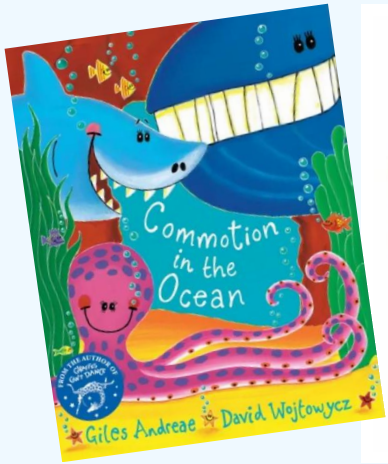
Daily Routine

- Gates open: 8:35am | Registration: 8:45am
- Morning work
- Phonics
- Literacy
- Maths
- Topic - RE, Geography, History, PE, Music, DT and Art (linked to EYFS Curriculum)
- Indoor and outdoor provision
- School ends: 3:15pm



Preparing for School

- Encourage independence (dressing, toileting, handwashing)
- Read stories, share rhymes
- Play turn-taking games
- Practise counting, colours and shapes
- Encourage social play and conversation







Communication

- School messages: Arbor
- Class updates: Class Dojo
- Facebook and Instagram
- For urgent messages: contact the school office



Food & Drink

- Free fruit and school milk under age 5
- Bring a water bottle everyday
- Healthy lunches provided - free for all Reception pupils
- Toast available (50p per day)
- Snack from home - fruit or vegetables



School Uniform

- Navy jumper/cardigan with logo
- Pale blue shirt, grey trousers/skirt
- PE Kit: Navy shirt & shorts with logo
- Sensible black shoes
- All items must be labelled
- Hair - tied up (blue or black bobbles)

Please label!





Parents

- Parents evening will take place in the Autumn and Spring

- End of year reports will be shared in the Summer term

Supporting Learning at Home

- Read with your child daily
- Encourage conversation and storytelling
- Reading, phonics, and regular learning activities will be sent home
- Workshop in the autumn term - phonics

