

Weekly Newsletter

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Catholic
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Congleton
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Friday 4th July

Simon Peter replied, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.” And Jesus answered him, “Blessed are you, Simon Bar-Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father who is in Heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my Church...”

Matthew 16:16-18.



Dear Parents/ Carers,

We started our week by joining together to give thanks for Saint Peter and Saint Paul following on from their Feast Day on Sunday. We thought about Peter being the Rock of the Church and Paul spreading the word of God through the many letters that he wrote. The children were able to reflect on how the work of Saint Peter and Saint Paul can inspire us today.

Jubilee Celebrations

On Wednesday, we were joined by the GIFT team from Christ the King Primary School. They brought to us a beautiful picture of Our Lady during the visitation that is travelling around schools in the Diocese in celebration of the Jubilee. Miss Small led a beautiful Celebration of the Word to celebrate the occasion and all the classes have had the opportunity to look at the picture in closer detail through the week. On Monday we will be taking the picture to St Gabriel's Catholic Primary School.



Congleton Town Sports

A huge congratulations to all the children who competed in the annual Congleton Town Sports on Wednesday evening. All the children did incredibly well and represented the school brilliantly – we were delighted to be placed 3rd in the small school category!

Thank you to all the family members who supported the children as well as the staff who gave up their time to be at the event.



School Games Gold Mark Award

We are delighted to announce that we have achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for 2024/2025 and we are extremely proud of our pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport!

A special thank you to Mrs Aidley who has worked so hard to promote sport at Saint Mary's



Attainment update

Information regarding your child's academic progress will be sent out on Monday 14th July. Parents and carers of children in Nursery and Reception will receive end of year reports while other classes will receive an attainment update. Year 1 phonics results, Year 4 multiplication check results and Year 6 SATS results will also be shared on this date.

Stay and Read on Thursday 17th July

On Thursday 17th July we are holding a reading themed morning and would like to welcome all Saint Mary's families and friends to 'Stay and Read' in class with your child. Please enter school with your child at 8.35am and we will read until 8.50am.

At 9am we welcome Rose, a librarian from Congleton Library, who will be leading the assembly about their Summer Reading Challenge which runs from Saturday 5th July until Saturday 6th September.

After the assembly, families are invited to stay until break time to enjoy story time outside (if the weather is good) similar to the one we held on world book day. We look forward to celebrating together - good books, good times.



Summer Fair – Friday 11th July

We are looking forward to the Summer Fair on Friday 11th and need your help!

The fair will be held outside (weather permitting) from 4.30pm – 6.30pm and we are looking for donations of (clean) teddies for the teddy tombola before Thursday. We will also need cakes for the cake stall, please bring these on Friday morning.

We would love to see as many of you as possible to support this event as it raises important funds for the PTA. Please also don't forget to bring cash with you to spend, rather than card payments.



ClassDojo

Dojo winners of the week – Year 5!

★ Stars of the Week and Gospel Values ★

Well done to all of our Stars this week for putting so much effort into their work!

Nursery	Christo Bella P	For creating a lovely chalk drawing For being generous with the Nursery equipment
Reception	Eva Edith	For always looking out for her friends For always showing respect
Year 1	Bodi Daniel	For working hard and showing determination in his assessments For always being polite and helpful
Year 2	Zak B Eva	For excellent effort in all assessments For an excellent attitude at all times
Year 3	Emily Rome	For fantastic effort in her writing and moving onto pen For always being polite and respectful towards others
Year 4	Kate Otis	For being a role model in the classroom and demonstrating the golden promises everyday For showing respect and reverence during prayer
Year 5	Harvey Daryl	For exceptional focus and achievement in this week's assessments For his magnificent positive attitude and achievement this week in reading
Year 6	Oliver Harrish	For great work in poetry class For always being polite

Key Dates

Monday 7th – Nursery and Reception Church visit

Monday 7th - Y4 Swimming

Tuesday 8th – Wellbeing enrichment day

Tuesday 8th - Parent drop in after school

Tuesday 8th – New Reception parents meeting

Wednesday 9th – Y1 and Y2 Readathon/ Danceathon

Wednesday 9th - Reception 2025-2026 transition visit

Thursday 10th – Rock Steady Concert 9.15am

Friday 11th - Y4 Forest School

Friday 11th - Summer Fair 4.30pm – 6.30pm

Monday 14th – Final Y4 Swimming

Wednesday 16th – Nursery & Reception Teddy Bear's picnic

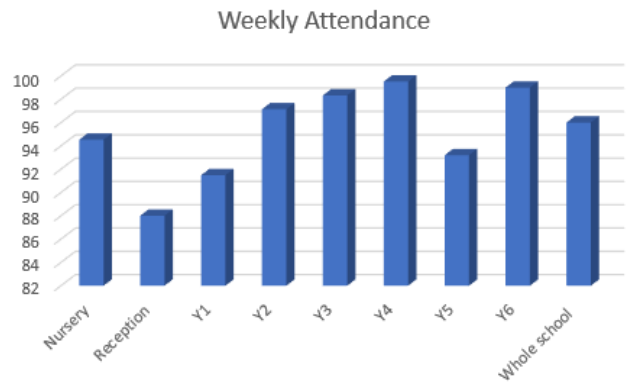
Wednesday 16th – Y6 Leavers Mass at 6pm

Thursday 17th – Stay and Read from 8.35am

Friday 18th – Leaver's Assembly

Attendance

Nursery	94.53%
Reception	88%
Y1	91.48%
Y2	97.14%
Y3	98.33%
Y4	99.52%
Y5	93.2%
Y6	99%
Whole school	96%



Collecting Old glasses

We continue to work with Congleton Lions to collect any old glasses you have. All money raised from the sale of the recycled materials will go to eye clinics in Africa.

Most families will have a pair of old or broken glasses in a drawer gathering dust. So please can you bring these into school and put in the special 'glasses bin' in the foyer by the school office.

Take some time over the weekend, if possible, to rest and spent time together. It gets so incredibly busy towards the end of the term and the children have begun to tire.

I am looking forward to seeing you all next week.

Miss Amy Butterfield
Headteacher

