

A message from Mrs Gum

It has been a fantastic start to the new half term. Despite the darker days and the distinct drop in temperature, both children and staff have returned to school with a positive mind-set and are raring to go. This is one of the busiest times of year in school and is also one of the longest half terms. Plans are underway for festive events and celebrations and information will be sent to parents as soon as we are able to. With the change in temperature it is vital that children come to school with an appropriate warm, waterproof coat and a hat and gloves if necessary. The children will continue to go outside unless it is extremely wet.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

In line with National statutory guidance, the Governing Body have agreed that authorisation will **NOT** be given for **ANY** holidays taken in term time. Requests for authorised absence must be made using the absence request form at least 4 weeks in **advance** of the absence. Please refer to the Attendance Policy on the school website. Please ensure that your child is in school ready to learn by 8:45am each day.

Attendance

Nursery 93.3%

Reception 96.6%

Year 1 98.1%

Year 2 97.4%

Year 3 98.6%

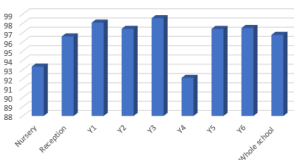
Year 4 92.1%

Year 5 97.4%

Year 6 97.5%

Whole School Attendance
96.8%

Weekly Attendance



Star of the Week

Nursery
Spencer

Reception
Gracie

Year 1
Oliver

Year 2
Bobby

Year 3
Felicity

Year 4
Finley

Year 5
Mia

Year 6
Olivia

PTA Events

The PTA are hoping to run a number of events during this academic year to raise vital funds to support your child's education. Please get in touch if you are able to help out at future events.

Congleton in Bloom competition

Congleton in Bloom invited schools to send some of their children to help Mrs Pinto and her team to plant the tubs that go out into the town centre.

The next plant up session is tomorrow (Saturday 9th Nov) and will be from 10am to 11am at the community polytunnel in Congleton park (near the toilets).

Congleton Town Mayor will be there. All children taking part will receive a certificate.

So far no-one from Saint Mary's has volunteered to help, but if your child would like to attend—please email Mrs Pinto and she will add you to the list : patti.pinto@saintmaryscongleton.co.uk

Lunch Menu

Week 1

Remembrance

Many thanks to the Year 6 pupils who have sold poppies and other items on behalf of the Royal British Legion.



Forest School

15th November
Year 5

22nd November
Year 4

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 11th Nov - Y5 swimming

Tues 12th Nov - Y5/6 Girls Football EB

Thurs 14th Nov - Y6 Trip to Imperial

War Museum in Manchester

Letters and Reminders

Applications for Reception places for September 2025 must be submitted by 15th January 2025

Applications must be made via [Cheshire East](#)



ClassDojo

Don't forget to check your emails and join your child's Class Dojo.

Dojo winners of the week - Reception

Phone: 01260 274690

E-mail: admin@saintmaryscongleton.co.uk

Love Him with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength, and to love your neighbour as yourself.

Mark 12:33