

St. Mary's Catholic Primary School

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St. Mary's Bible Message this week is 'Love for God's Wonderful World.' BOOK OF GENESIS – Chapter 1.

Please take a few minutes to discuss this with your child at home. We have focused on it in school this week.

This week...

We have had another great week at St Mary's, with children settling well in to our routines and enjoying their learning. The sun has been shining and we have enjoyed making the most of our wonderful outside areas! Mr Stubbs even spotted the deer again, early one morning! In assembly we reflected on God's Wonderful World and in class, the children have completed some very creative work linked to this!

Birthdays

DON'T FORGET...

We would love, as a school community to celebrate each child's birthday! As such, we have decided that when someone is celebrating their birthday, they are allowed to come to school in non-uniform. That way, our whole school will know it is their birthday and can wish them 'Happy Birthday!'

If your child celebrates their birthday during the summer holidays, they can come to school in their own clothes during the last week of the summer term.

Bees Knees

We have places available in Bees Knees, our before and after school club. For further information, please visit our website on <https://stmarysprimarydukinfield.co.uk/about-us/bees-knees-school-care-club/>
Or contact Mrs Gail Pratt on 07955 678 926.



Upcoming Events

Date	October
1st	School Photograph Day
5 th	Nasal Flu Vaccinations
31 st	Deadline for Year 6 High School Applications

Prayers and Special

We pray for members of our St Mary's family who are sick at this time. May they feel comforted by God's loving grace.

St Mary's Church

St Mary's Church is open for mass. Numbers are limited in Church, due to social distancing. However, Fr Oliver would love to see families returning to mass. If you would like to attend mass, please 'book' a slot, by emailing:

john.storey6@btopenworld.com

Please be aware, that COVID measures are in place

- masks must be worn
- sanitise hands on entry
- wait to be seated by the stewards
- communion after the final blessing
- for communion remain seated until stewards indicate that you can approach the altar
- leave church immediately after communion, sanitising hands on exit

COVID-19

I will continue to update you in line with new Government and local guidance. Please remember that all measures we put in place are to keep our whole school community safe:

- Where possible, only one parent must come on to the school grounds to collect your child.
- If older siblings are collecting children, please can they come on to the playground alone (not with their high school friends).
- Please remember to maintain social distancing whilst on the school grounds. If you feel that you are unable to maintain social distancing, then please wear a face mask.
- Please ensure that no children use the outdoor play equipment at home time.

Safeguarding

MESSAGES

Just a reminder that all messages need to come via the school office or Class Dojo. Please do not pass messages to the staff on the gates or at the classroom doors, as they are there to safeguard the children, so we need to ensure that they are not distracted.

EMERGENCY CONTACT FORM

To support us in keeping your child safe, we will be sending home, a Data Collection Sheet. Please can you mark any changes that we need to make to your data and return it to school, as soon as possible. This happens every year, to ensure that our records are up to date with your details, in case of an emergency. You will also find a form attached regarding Free School Meals along with details of a **Prize Draw**.

RECEPTION CLASS PHOTO CONSENT

We will also be requesting consent for your child's photo to be used in school, on Twitter etc. Once again, please can these be completed and returned to school.

E-SAFETY

Please remember that social media platforms such as TikTok have age restrictions. These restrictions are there to help to safeguard our children. Primary school children



Wash your
HANDS
& say **YOUR**
PRAYERS
cause **germs**
are everywhere

Twitter

To find out what else we have been up to, follow our school Twitter account @StMarysDuk.

Parking

Please can we ask parents not to park in the staff car park. We understand that parking is restricted, but that area is reserved for staff vehicles.

Healthy Schools

We are encouraging our children to be healthy and active. Please ensure that they do not bring juice to school, only water. Also, please ensure that children in KS2 only bring fruit for a break-time snack and that those children on packed lunches only have a healthy lunch. It is really important to get our children in to good habits at a young age, so that hopefully, they will continue with these throughout their life.