

Crescent News – St. Mary's Roman Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Friday 26th June 2026

Message From Miss Doody

What a week it has been!

I would also like to say a huge thank you to our children, families, and staff for the flexibility and understanding shown during the extreme heat this week. We appreciate how challenging the conditions were for many families, and we are incredibly grateful to our staff who went above and beyond to ensure that the children who continued to attend school were safe, cool, and happy.

The paddling pools, hose, ice poles, and our one air-conditioned room all helped to make things more comfortable for the small number of children who remained in school. Thank you to everyone for your patience and support while we navigated the unusual circumstances. Next week is expected to be cooler, and school will return to our usual hours and expectations, including normal uniform arrangements.



A huge thank you also goes to the PSA for making our **Summer Fair** such a great success. It was a wonderful day, made even more special by the support of our community. We are extremely grateful to everyone who helped — whether you organised the day, volunteered on a stall, attended and contributed, or donated items. Your support is very much appreciated.

Please see a message from our wonderful PSA:

Dear Parents and Carers of St. Mary's,

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to every volunteer, donor, and supporter who helped make this year's summer fair such a success. From those who set up and ran stalls, to those who donated gifts or supported behind the scenes—your dedication truly made the event possible.

That said, I do want to gently remind everyone that each year we face challenges due to a lack of new volunteers. We often find ourselves relying on the same committed parents and their wider circles to keep these events alive. I want to remind you that everything the PSA does is for your children and for the entire school community. We subsidize trips, we bring in special experiences like pantomimes, and we strive to make every child's time at St. Mary's as memorable as possible.

Without these efforts, the PSA's ability to fund trips, support SEN needs, or keep costs low would disappear. Last Saturday, we may have witnessed what could be one of our final summer fairs—an event that could be among our last big efforts—because the same core group is carrying the weight. Please know that even a small contribution of time or effort can make a huge difference. The PSA is a lifeline for our school, and without it, we risk seeing the school struggle.

Once again, a massive thank you to all the teachers, parents, friends, and family in the St. Mary's community. Your contributions do not go unnoticed, and we are incredibly grateful.

*Warm regards,
St. Mary's PSA*



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We have finally received the final amount raised from the Miles for St Mary's Walk — an incredible **£4,833.73!** This is absolutely amazing, and I would like to say a huge thank you to every child, family member, and member of staff who supported this event. Your enthusiasm, generosity, and commitment have been wonderful to see. We will continue to add to this total with your kind donations for the school photographs. Thank you to those families who have already started donating — every contribution makes a difference.



Today, our Year 6 children set off for **PGL**. A huge thank you to the staff who have given up their weekend to ensure that the children have a fantastic residential trip. We hope they have an amazing time creating memories and enjoying this special experience.

Please keep an eye out on Instagram for updates. No other communication will be made with parents unless there are any concerns.

We look forward to seeing you all on Monday at the usual home time.

Looking ahead, on **Wednesday 1st July**, we will be celebrating all children who have received their First Holy Communion this year. Children from Years 2–6 will attend Mass at **9.30am**, and parents are very welcome to join us for this special celebration.

A reminder that **next Friday 3rd July is Sports Day!** We are really looking forward to welcoming parents and families to join us.

Please remember that **Nursery–Year 2 will take part in the morning** and can be collected at lunchtime. At this point, you are welcome to share lunch with the KS2 children or take your child home. **KS2 will take part in Sports Day during the afternoon.**



Thank you once again for your continued support.

Warm regards,
Headteacher
St Mary's

EXCITING NEWS FOR THE PEOPLE OF ST MARY'S!

*WE ARE VERY EXCITED TO ANNOUNCE THAT THERE WILL BE A GARDEN PARTY AT ST MARY'S CHURCH GARDEN IN CLAPHAM.
THIS WILL BE A LOVELY AFTERNOON FOR CHILDREN, PARENTS, CARERS AND FAMILIES TO ENJOY TOGETHER.*

WHEN IS IT?

*SUNDAY 26TH JUNE
THE GARDEN PARTY WILL TAKE PLACE AFTER THE 12:00 O'CLOCK MASS, SO MAKE SURE YOU SAVE THE DATE.*

WHERE IS IT?

*ST MARY'S CHURCH GARDEN
CLAPHAM
AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH*

WHAT WILL BE THERE?

*THERE WILL BE LOTS OF FUN ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING:
FACE PAINTING, CARNIVAL GAMES, DRAWING ACTIVITIES,
A DANCE FLOOR FOR PARENTS AND BRAVE CHILDREN,
FOOD AND REFRESHMENTS, A SINGING CHOIR OF AROUND 25 TO 30 CHILDREN
IT IS GOING TO BE A BRILLIANT AFTERNOON FILLED WITH MUSIC, GAMES, LAUGHTER AND COMMUNITY SPIRIT.*

A MESSAGE FOR THE PARENTS

*PARENTS, PLEASE BE WARNED: THE DANCE FLOOR IS NOT JUST FOR CHILDREN.
WE HOPE TO SEE LOTS OF YOU SHOWING OFF YOUR BEST DANCE MOVES. THE CHILDREN WILL BE WATCHING.*

DO NOT MISS IT!

COME ALONG, BRING YOUR FAMILY AND ENJOY A WONDERFUL AFTERNOON WITH THE ST MARY'S COMMUNITY.

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ST MARY'S RC PRIMARY SCHOOL DATES FOR DIARY

Date and time	Event
Friday 26 th -Monday 29 th June	PGL Residential Trip For Year 6
Sunday 28 th June	St Mary's Church Garden Party
Wednesday 1 st July	1 st Holy Communion Mass
Friday 3 rd July	Sports Day
Monday 13 th July	Year 6 Leavers Mass 9.30-St Mary's Church Year 6 Production-6.00 St Mary's School Hall
Thursday 16 th July	Year 6 Graduation-2.30 St Mary's School Hall Year 6 Last Day
Friday 17 th July	Last Day Of Term -1pm finish