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Thought for the week:

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Prayer Intention for July

For formation in discernment. Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

18th July 2025

Dear Parents

What a wonderfully busy and enriching week we have had at St Margaret Mary RC School! I am delighted to share with you some of the fantastic activities and achievements that have taken place in our final week of the academic year.

Our *Vocations Week* was truly inspiring, and I must extend my heartfelt thanks to Mrs Hannon-Dalby for organising such meaningful visits from *Fr Simon*, our local *Air Ambulance Service*, and *Aston Villa*. It was wonderful to see our pupils celebrating their unique talents whilst thinking about how they might use these gifts in their future vocations. The children looked absolutely fantastic dressed up in their chosen vocation styles, and their enthusiasm was infectious.

Mrs Fernandez deserves special recognition for organising our Spanish Day, which was a delightful celebration of Spain's rich culture. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed exploring different aspects of Spanish life, and it was lovely to see everyone so engaged with learning about another culture. We were also privileged to welcome a visitor from CAFOD this week, and I am particularly proud to announce that we have achieved our Live Simply Award. Many thanks to Mrs Hannon-Dalby and Mrs Marks for their excellent work in overseeing these important events.

Congratulations to <u>The Yellow House</u>, <u>St David's Team</u>, who were the overall winners and will proudly hold the trophy this year. Their teamwork and dedication have been exemplary.

I am thrilled to share that our swimming classes concluded last week with remarkable success - 80% of our **Year 6** cohort can now swim 25 metres or more. This is a tremendous achievement, and I am incredibly proud of all our **swimmers**

Our **Year 6 Leavers Mass** and **Assembly** was particularly moving. Thank you to **Mr Mulligan**, **Mr Barton**, **Miss Gibson**, and **Miss Spencer** for leading our **Year 6** pupils in sharing their precious memories with us. It was delightful to witness how much they have grown and matured since joining our school family.

As Mrs Coates and Miss Spencer leave us today, we wish them every success in their new schools.

Year 6 enjoyed a fabulous **leavers day out** bowling today, thanks to **Mr Mulligan**, **Mr Barton**, and the **Year 6** team. They had an excellent time, and we wish all our pupils every success in Year 7. Please keep them in your prayers, as we will.

I would like to thank our entire school community - our dedicated *Caretaker*, *Admin Team*, *Play Leaders*, *Kitchen staff*, *Teaching Assistants*, *Teachers*, and *Governors*. It is truly a pleasure to work with such a committed team.

A special thank you to our *parents* for your continued support throughout the year. It is a privilege to work with you and all our families. I hope you have a lovely summer, and we look forward to working with you again next year.

Please remember that Monday 1st September is a Training day, and all children in Years 1-6 return to school on Tuesday 2nd September.

Many thanks for your continued support and co-operation.

Mrs J Logue



The Catholic Jubilee Year of 2025, titled "Pilgrims of Hope", is a year of prayer, pilgrimage and reflection. The theme is an invitation to share the Christian faith and to rekindle hope in a world that is suffering.

Diary Dates

Teacher Training Day Monday 1st September

Pupils in Year 1 – Year 6 start back to school on Tuesday 2nd September.

Gospel Virtues

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Faith-filled— when we are living life as God inspires us to live it, putting the Gospel into action through our actions. Hopeful—when we are optimistic about the future, we trust ourselves and others, and we don't give up.

Assembly Awards:	Maths Star of the week	Reading Star of the week	Gospel Virtues
Nursery	Oluwayanmife	Hidayah	Yorsalem
Reception	Emmanuel & Obryan	Emily K & Shekina	Dream & Emily L
Year One	Noh & Joshua K	Tinofara & Emmanuel	Kebron & Isla
Year Two	Leo & Eden	Yemariam & Ava	Mmesoma & Robert
Year Three	Hannah H & Bella-Rose	Samyar & Israel	Michael & Natalia
Year Four	Sinon & Hanna Z	Jaxon & Lillian	Laura & Rosie
Year Five	Lamek & Isabella	Skyler & Dhian	Mielahier & Roman
Year Six	David C, Neeve & Aurelia	Leon, Haniel & Lucian	Teodors, Nardon & Liliana



We would like to wish all children who celebrate their birthday over the summer break and very happy birthday!





Snippet of News

St. David: 279,055 St. Patrick: 270,366 St. George: 261,960 St. Andrew: 237,740

Well done to all our pupils for achieving so many House Points this year! Amazing effort all!

Attendance Notice Board

It is vital that your child is on time and in school every day, unless there is a medical reason for them not being here. If your child is off school and we haven't seen them, you may receive a visit from myself, Mr Mulligan or Mr Barton as part of our Safe and Well checks. Please remember that our children have a right to an education - this is laid out in UNICEF's Article 28 - A Right to an

Education.

Our overall attendance: 94%

ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 93% Y1 Attendance = 94% Y2 Attendance = 89% Y3 Attendance = 93% Y4 Attendance = 96% Y5 Attendance = 94%

Y6 Attendance = 96%

Congratulations to Year 2P on their 100% attendance this week!



Article 42—Knowledge of rights

Good attendance at St Margaret Mary means being in school at least 95% of the time [180-190 days] Odays absence 10 days absence 20 days ab