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Thought for the week:

"Good thoughts make your face shine."



Prayer Intention for September

For our relationship with all of creation. Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

12th September 2025



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.

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's wonderful to see all our pupils have settled well into the routines of their new year groups and classes. The school **website** will be updated accordingly, and I've attached **parent events** along with a reminder of our **school routines**.

Today's **mass** was particularly special, with **Year 5 and Year 2** supporting each other beautifully. It was great to see so many parents and parish members worshipping with our school community. The readings focused on themes of divine healing, justice, and the importance of treating all people with impartiality and love - something we strive to teach our pupils as **Pilgrims of Hope**.

We're experiencing a slight delay with **swimming lessons** due to issues at Kingstanding Baths. As soon as we have confirmation that lessons can begin, we'll contact parents immediately. In the meantime, **Year 4M** and **Year 6B** should continue to wear PE attire on Wednesdays for alternative PE lessons.

A quick reminder to parents: **trainers** are not to be worn all day in school. Pupils are required to wear their **school shoes** and change footwear **only for PE lessons**. Thank you in advance for your continued support.

Year 2 recently enjoyed an imaginative workshop about the **Fire of London**. They explored the timeline of events, creatively role-played, and gained insights into the challenges people faced during this historic period.

Our pupil leadership is thriving! Pupils in **Year 5 and Year 6** have been elected to various councils within our **Parliament** including **School, Eco, Liturgy, and Wellbeing**. We're excited to see the projects and funding they'll organise this term and academic year. Thank you to Mr Barton and the team for supporting these important initiatives.

We're delighted to see many children **scooting** or **cycling** to school. However, I must ask that these items are not left in the playground overnight. We've experienced some recent thefts, and leaving items can invite unwanted visitors. **Any items left will not be the school's responsibility.**

Learning overviews for this term's topics have been shared - I hope you'll find them useful. Please encourage your child to read around these topics to expand their **vocabulary** and **knowledge**. Don't forget, we're celebrating **Roald Dahl Day** on Monday - I can't wait to see all the wonderful characters and costumes!

Finally, we say farewell to **Mrs Hannon-Dalby** today as she begins her **maternity leave**. We wish her all the best and look forward to news of her new arrival. Thank you, Mrs Hannon-Dalby, for all your help this term - we look forward to seeing you back next academic year.

Many thanks for your continued support and co-operation.
Mrs J Logue

Diary Dates

Y4 & Y1 Mass
 Friday 19th
 September

Y6B & Y4M
 commence swimming
 Wednesday 17th
 September
 (to be confirmed)

Roald Dahl Day
 Monday 15th September

Gospel Virtues



Eloquence must be used
 in a truthful way – to
 speak **truth** about myself
 and others, about rela-
 tions between people,
 about the world, and
 about God. Education is
 the search for **truth** and
 the **eloquent** articulation
 of what we discover.

Assembly Awards:	Maths Star of the week	Reading Star of the week	Gospel Virtues
Nursery	Brooklyn	Abiodun	Tymon
Reception	Shaylea-Rae & Logan	Joshua & GiGi	Ahzaleah & Eden
Year One	Yolyana & Abigail	Ebube & Dream	Decency & Renato
Year Two	Jemima & Donnie	Wynter & Isla	Zoya & Lewis
Year Three	Gabriel & Mervyn	Nancy-Lou & Violey-Rae	Alexia & Tyquan
Year Four	Maksymilian & Michael	Ruth & Samyar	Mary & Jotham
Year Five	Maisie & Thomas	Isla & Eldana	Jeniyah & Mya
Year Six	Helen & Jasmine	Roman & Lily-Mae	Raena & George



**Taimoor, Dancan, Reighn,
Amela F and Excel.**



Many thanks to our Altar Servers, Readers and Offertory helpers in Mass today.

Isla H, Hanna Z, Darci-Rose, Xavier Y, Bobby, Tayana and Kaian.



Snippet of News

Our School Parliament are aiming to raise fund to purchase a Polytunnel for school this year; a project we are very keen to get going. Watch this space for more news.

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 or a Deputy DSL 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: 96%

ATTENDANCE WINNERS THIS WEEK:

EYFS Attendance = 100% Y1 Attendance = 98%

Y2 Attendance = 98% Y3 Attendance = 97%

Y4 Attendance = 91% Y5 Attendance = 96%

Y6 Attendance = 94%

Well done to RM for 100% Attendance this week.

Article of the Week



Article 2 -
Non-discrimination



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

