

2ND April 2026

‘ Brothers and Sisters: I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you; that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, ‘This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me.’

1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Easter Assembly

We had a lovely Easter assembly yesterday where some of our children retold the events of holy week through song, prayer and reflection. Thank you to those parents and family members who were able to join us.

Holy Week at St Marie’s Church/parish

Please see the Mass times below for our Parish during this Holy Week.

Maundy Thursday 2nd April

7.00 pm — Mass of the Lord's Supper at St Marie's
followed by Watching at the Altar of Repose

Good Friday 3rd April

10.00 – 11.00 am — Confessions at St Marie's
12 noon — Ecumenical Walk of Witness beginning at United Reformed Church, Parson's Lane
3.00 pm — Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at St Marie's

Holy Saturday 4th April

10.30 - 11.30 am — Confessions at St Joseph's
7.30 pm — Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter at St Marie's

Easter Sunday 5th April

9.15 am — Mass at St Joseph's
11.30 am — Mass at St Marie's

Building /Decoration work over the Easter holidays

Over the Easter holidays the outside of the school is starting to get a refresh. All of the fascia boards are being either redecorated or replaced and some windows in the main hall are being replaced too. After the holidays the work will continue so there may be some scaffolding and/or areas out of bounds. Please do take care when arriving to school on Monday 20th April and please ensure that all children are always supervised at drop off and pick up times.

School Clubs

Please note that the clubs (NOT After 3s) will not run the week back after the Easter break they will recommence on 27th April with the new cookery and cricket club starting this week also.

Earth Day: Thursday 23rd April

On Thursday 23rd April we are celebrating Earth Day in school. (Earth day is the day before but we are celebrating it a day later). We are asking that the children come into school dressed as something to represent nature -the colour green, a tree/a plant/flower or something from the earth (an animal) or maybe the earth itself if you want a challenge! The children are asked to bring in £1 donation to help with our fundraising for the WWF

Year Five Class Assembly

The Year 5 class assembly will take place on Thursday 23rd April at 9.00 am in the main hall. All parents are welcome to attend. This date has been chosen to coincide with our celebration of Earth day.

Year 4 Visiting Bolton Museum

On Thursday 23rd April, the Year 4 children are visiting Bolton Museum as part of the history topic. All information has been sent out via the Arbor app.

Please Note Year 4 must wear their school uniform on this day.

Attendance Matters

As a school, we have always had really good attendance compared to other schools in the local authority. Good attendance is everyone's responsibility, and we must maintain this and continue to improve. There is currently a renewed drive from the Department of Education and schools must be seen to promote excellent attendance. Whilst we appreciate there are times that children cannot come into school and individual children that we know about have medical conditions that impact on their health, we still need to do everything as a school to promote and celebrate excellent attendance.

Class attendances for this week.

Year Group	Attendance %
Reception	97.1%
Year One	93.3%
Year Two	96.7%
Year Three	96%
Year Four	96.9%
Year Five	96.3%
Year Six	99.1%

Well done to Year 6 for having the best attendance this week!

The class with the best attendance will receive an extra playtime each week.

A Final Note

It has been a very busy term in school with lots to celebrate and the children's learning and talents to showcase. There has been a lot of work taking place behind the scenes too as we prepare to join the St. Teresa of Calcutta trust in June. I would like to thank all of the staff in school who work so hard for the school and especially for your children.

As we finish school today for the Easter holidays, on behalf of the governors and staff, I would like to wish you all a blessed and holy Easter and an enjoyable break.

School reopens on Monday 20th April.



God bless
Mr McRae
Head Teacher



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