

Newsletter

St Mary's Catholic Primary School

July 2026

Wow, with only three weeks left of the school year, I can't believe how quickly this year has flown!

I have had a wonderful 7 years here, just over 6 years as Head of School, and it has been an absolute pleasure to lead our lovely school and serve our community. St Mary's is very lucky to have Mrs McCay as your new Headteacher and I can't wait to hear all about the exciting things happening in the years to come.

The remaining days in school are extremely busy, so please make sure you note down all the important dates listed on the next page. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all our families, from myself and all the staff at St Mary's, for your continued support over the year and we hope you all have a wonderful summer. School closes on Friday 17th July at 2pm and the new academic year starts on Wednesday 2nd September.

Farewell to Our Wonderful Staff! ❤️

This term, we are saying goodbye to some incredible members of the St Mary's team who have given so much to our school community:

- ✦ **Miss Goodfellow** is retiring after an amazing 38 years in Catholic education.
- ✦ **Miss White**, after 12 years of service at St Mary's is moving on to an exciting new chapter.
- ✦ **Miss Lawrence**, after 9 years at St Mary's is ready for a new challenge at a new school.
- ✦ **Mrs Rodgers** is taking the next step in her career as an EYFS Leader at a new school.
- ✦ **Miss Phillips** is leaving us to begin her teacher training journey.
- ✦ **Nikki**, our fantastic site supervisor, is heading off to take on a brand-new challenge.

Thank you all for your dedication, hard work, and the memories you've created here. Please join us in wishing them the best of luck. We appreciate this seems a lot of change but we are so excited to welcome some new staff to join our team at St Mary's.

✦ **Mrs Wallhead**, our new Deputy Headteacher.

✦ **Miss Black**, our new Year 2 teacher.

✦ **Mrs Duffell, Miss Lease and Miss Jakobsons**, our new Teacher Assistants.

Classes for September 2026

Your child will be meeting their new class teacher on Wednesday 8th July. They will line up with their new class teacher and enter school via their new classroom.



EYFS

Mrs Wallhead

Year 1

Miss McHale

Year 2

Miss Black

Year 3

Mrs Goodwin

Year 4

Mrs Woodhouse

Year 5

Miss Alexander

Year 6

Miss Walker

July 2026

Friday 3rd July - Year 1 trip to Cleethorpes

Monday 6th July - Reserved sports day

Tuesday 7th July - STWA information evening for parents

Wednesday 8th - Friday 10th July - Year 6 high school transition days for children going to Sir Thomas Wharton Academy, XP, Astrea Woodfields and Outwood

Friday 10th July - 2-3:30pm Summer fayre

Monday 13th - Tuesday 14th July - Year 5 residential to Gulliver's Valley Resort

Monday 13th July - Year 6 end of year prom

Wednesday 15th July - 9:15am end of Year leaver's mass

Thursday 16th July - 2pm Year 6 Leaver's assembly

Friday 17th July, 2pm finish - break up for summer



Postcards Home go to...

Well done to the following children who have been nominated for 'Star of the Month' for their consistent hard work and positivity towards their learning.

Hollie (Nursery), Kanyanta (Reception), Thea (Year 1), Shawna (Year 2),
Amelia J (Year 3), Kamsi (Year 4), Naomi (Year 5), Princeton (Year 6)

