



NEWSLETTER

SPRING TERM
WEEK 5

ST MARY'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

OUR VISION: GOOD GROUND GROWS WELL

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UPDATE FROM MRS NETTLESHIP

Our collective worship sessions this week focused on the theme of generosity and were led by Rev Anne from St Mary's Church and Judy from New Life Masih Ghar. Pupils reflected on how small acts of kindness and giving can make a big difference to others in our school and wider community.

Our Grandparents' Coffee Morning was a great success. Year 4 entertained guests with a fantastic show and enjoyed playing board games together.

Looking ahead to next week, pupils in Years 5 and 6 will be visiting Featherstone High School as part of their Science Week, where they will take part in a range of exciting science activities and experiences. In addition, our School Ambassadors will be visiting the Bank of England, followed by a service at St Paul's Cathedral — a memorable opportunity to learn more about our national institutions and reflect together.

Next week is also Children's Mental Health Week, and pupils will take part in a variety of activities to explore and support mental health and wellbeing.

God bless,
Mrs Nettleship



Grandparents' Coffee Morning

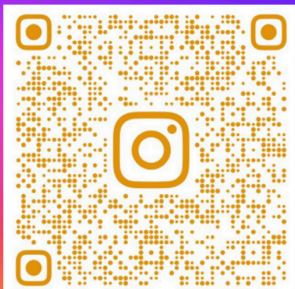
Learning Labs Tuition are partnered with St Marys to provide additional support in Maths & English to our students. This will include Maths and English support, 11+ Grammar School preparation, SATs preparation, and help with school homework!

We have arranged subsidies and discounts of up to 50% discounts for our families. There are limited spaces available. All *new joining* families will receive a £25 off voucher.

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	Elm 96.1%
	Beech 95.45%
	Damson 94.2 %



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How we have grown this week!

Saplings

This week in Sapling Class, the children delved into the theme of Vets. In RE, we reflected on what makes each of us special, and in maths, we investigated patterns by taking and giving 1, 2, and 3.

Ash

This week in Ash Class, children explored the Feeding of the 5000, reflecting the school values of kindness, love and respect. In maths, we grew 6, 7 and 8, using subitising with confidence.

Beech

This week Beech Class have been comparing toys from the past with toys of the present day. They have looked at the changes in teddy bears and even had a surprise visit from Mrs Evans' 50-year-old bear!

Chestnut

Chestnut Class wrote rat diaries about the Great Fire of London, using onomatopoeia and personification. In science, we tested paper bridges. We also began learning about money, counting pence and pounds.

Damson

Damson Class have been busy learning to measure using millimetres, centimetres and metres. They have also been writing their own traditional tales inspired by The Magic Paintbrush.

Elm Class

In Year 4, we explored materials in science and linked our learning to the English water cycle unit. In art, we experimented with shade and texture. In maths, we began working with length and perimeter.

Field Maple/Grey Willow

This week, Year 5 children wrote their persuasive speeches, while Year 6 began researching their animals for reports. We also explored how the Khalsa was formed in Sikhism. In art, we finished our narratives in the style of our chosen artist.



Thought for the week



For God loves the one who gives gladly. And God is able to give you more than you need. 2 Corinthians 9:7-8

These words remind us that generosity is about more than what we give — it's about the spirit in which we give it. In school communities, generosity is often shown through small, everyday actions: giving time to listen, offering encouragement, supporting one another, or showing patience on busy days. When we give gladly, we help create a caring and supportive environment for our children to grow and flourish.

This verse also reassures us that God provides for us, reminding us that when we give with trust and kindness, we are never left without what we need.

Something to pray

Loving God,

Thank you for the many ways you care for our families and our school community.

Help us to be generous in spirit, giving gladly of our time, kindness and support to others.

Strengthen our trust in you, knowing that you will always provide what we need.

May our actions help our children feel secure, valued and loved, and may our community continue to grow in compassion and care.

Amen.



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