

# St Mary's News



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So the last will be first, and the first will be last. **Matthew 20:16**

## Catholic Life of the School

In the reading from Matthew's Gospel this Sunday, Jesus tells us a story to help our understanding about the Kingdom of Heaven.

This story helps us to appreciate how generous God is; his generosity is unlimited and is available to everyone at any time. Some of us are fortunate enough to know God from birth and we continue to grow in his love. Some people do not come to know God until later in life but they are promised the same reward in God's Kingdom. What a generous God!

At St Mary's, we model God's unlimited love through our limitless expectations for the children. All of our children can expect a rich learning experience and excellent outcomes regardless of their starting point.

Jesus taught that we are called to share all that God has given us. St Francis of Assisi said:

***For it is in giving that we receive***

In your family prayer time this week, remember to thank Jesus for the people who have been generous towards you and ask him to show you someone that would benefit from your kindness.



## Ms Rebecca Evans - R.I.P

Please be reminded that Rebecca's funeral will take place on Thursday 28 September 2017 at 12.15pm at The Sacred Heart Parish in Quex Road.

The school will be closed all day on this date to allow Rebecca's colleagues to pay their respects to her family.

## First Holy Communion 2018

Fr Alex from The Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish invites families from Years 3 to 6 whose children have not made their First Holy Communion to register before 28 September 2017.

## Attendance

During week beginning 11 September 2017, Classes 3Q, 4A 5P and 6H had 100% attendance.

The classes with 100% attendance since the start of term are 3Q, 4A and 6H.

All children may arrive from 8.20am at their designated gates. Please take full advantage of this early arrival as it not only helps your child to prepare for their learning day but also eases congestion.

***Parents who choose to take their child out of school during term time will each be referred to Brent Education Welfare and may be issued with a £120 Education Penalty Notice Fine per child (reduced to £60 if paid within 21 days of issue date)***

*Please remember that if your child is absent from school, and we have not already been informed in advance, parents must telephone the school by 9.00am on every day of absence. This is a very important safeguarding measure to ensure we know the whereabouts of every child.*

*If a child's whereabouts are unknown or unclear, the school will contact Brent's Children Missing In Education team so they can carry out an investigation.*

### Star of the Week

Name	Class	Reason for nomination
Kacper	EYFS 1	For being polite and always offering his help to others
Phoebe	EYFS 2	For excellent listening and concentration in the French lesson
Leah	1P	For outstanding written work during phonics
John James	2M	For working hard to problem solve in Mathematics
Ryan	3M	For having great manners in class
Jaden	3Q	For always giving his full attention with excellent listening skills
Arthur	4A	For working extremely hard in Mathematics
Ayrah	4G	For always working hard and trying her best
Kiyanna	5O	For outstanding effort in all subjects and beautiful manners
Sharnelyn	5P	For beautiful cursive script writing in all subjects
Travis	6H	For being a great role model to the rest of the class in terms of attitude and behaviour
Sesen	6M	For working hard to improve her understanding of rounding decimals

### After School Club

A small number of places have become available for our After School Club. The club is run every afternoon, on school days, from 3.00pm to 6.00pm.

At After School Club, the children are supported with their homework then they have the opportunity to be involved in a range of activities. The children are also given a hot snack and dessert each evening.

If you are interested in securing a place for your child, please visit the school office. The cost is £35 per week for the first child and £20 per week for each sibling.

### Online Safety

Schools, police, social services and other agencies are concerned at the ever-increasing volume of offences being committed against children through online devices.

Children are also being exposed to activities which are completely inappropriate for their age.

From class discussions and e-safety learning, it seems that a significant number of children access the internet from their bedrooms without parental controls or monitoring.

***Parents are reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure their children are involved in age appropriate online activities and to keep their children safe when they are using mobile phones, tablets, laptops, games consoles etc.***

### St Mary's Mission Statement

At St Mary's Catholic Primary School we strive to create a stimulating environment so that by learning, playing and working together, we openly follow Christ's teachings. We seek to offer every person the opportunity to be a unique and valued individual, sharing and developing our belief in the teachings of Jesus through everyday relationships and mutual respect in our dealings with one another.

Our School Mission is as follows:

- We stand on holy ground
- We will always open our doors in welcome
- We will always love and care for each other as Jesus taught us
- We will always place the Word of God at the heart of our school
- We will always be witnesses to our faith by following in the footsteps of Christ

**School is closed for one day only on Thursday 28 September**

**Children return to school on Friday 29 September**