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# Dear parents and carers,

Today in school we joined Catholic schools across the country and the world launching the Year of the Jubilee 2025. In this Jubilee year, Pope Francis invites us all to be signs of hope in our world and this Holy year will be a significant and memorable moment for children and young people. Reflecting on Jesus' message of the good news of justice, freedom and love, there are opportunities for the whole school community to experience the joy of taking action as Pilgrims of Hope in building a better world.

In a zoom Assembly across the two schools, we listened to messages from Cardinal Nicholls and Archbishop John about the place of our schools in the Jubilee and watched a launch day film from CAFOD about how we in school can be pilgrims and put our Catholic Social Teaching into action in the year ahead. The children and staff are excited for the year ahead and I'm sure that you will join us throughout the year as we all strive to be 'Pilgrims of Hope'



#### **Our Mission Statement**

'A man took a grain of mustard seed and sowed it in his field. Indeed the seed is smaller than all other seeds but when it is grown, it is greater than the herbs, and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and lodge in its branches' Matthew 13.31





# The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven. may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth. when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen





#### Wednesday Word

The Wednesday word this week is GOOD NEWS

"Jesus was sent to bring the Good news to enter the heart of each one of us." Pope Francis



# January 2025

Just when we thought the celebrations might stop after Christmas, the New Year starts with a month full of significant Church calendar events. What's more, <u>the Year of Jubilee</u> has begun! This special celebration year comes with an invitation from Pope Francis to place our hope in God's love for us and to share His love with others.

This newsletter shares some of the content children will experience in school throughout January and suggests ways for you to engage with them about it. We hope it is a useful resource for your family prayer time.

To read the rest of the ten ten parents newsletter please click this link below!

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# Important Spring term dates!



Monday 27th January	School Council to Houses of Parliament
Tuesday 28th January	Y4 Celebration of the Word-2pm-Y2 parents welcome
Thursday 30th January	EYFS Cake Sale
Thursday 30th January	EWP Coffee Morning 9am-all parents welcome
Thursday 30th January	Y6 trip to Clip N Climb in Wandsworth
Tuesday 4th February	Chelsea FC Girls PLPS Competition
Tuesday 4th February	Y3 Celebration of the Word-2pm-Y3 parents welcome
Wednesday 5th February	Y3 / Y4 netball tournament
Wednesday 5th February	Y5 trip to St George's Cathedral
Thursday 6th February	Y4 Adopt A Chef evening
Tuesday 11th February	Choir trip to Civic Suite
Tuesday 11th February	Y6 & Reception Height and Weight checks
Tuesday 11th February	Y2 Celebration of the Word-2pm-Y2 parents welcome
Thursday 13th February	Disney movie night fundraiser
Monday 17th February- Friday 21st February	Half Term
Monday 24th February	Zones of regulation parent talk at 9am
Tuesday 25th February	Family Reading Breakfast 9am
Tuesday 25th February	Y1 celebration of the Word-2pm-Y1 parents welcome
Wednesday 26th February	Online Safety session for parents with Helen Savage at 9am
Thursday 27th February	Learning in classrooms at 9am-all parents welcome
Friday 28th February	Mathletics and TT Rockstars workshop with Mr Shoubber at 9am
Wednesday 5th March	Y2—Y6 Ash Wednesday Mass 10am
Tuesday 11th March	Nursery Celebration of the Word –2pm-N parents welcome
Tuesday 18th March	Reception Celebration of the Word-2pm-R parents welcome
Thursday 27th March	Parents Consultations-school closes at lunchtime





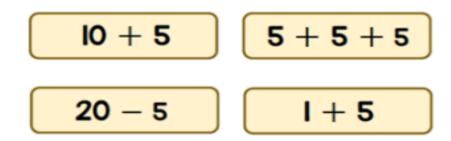






KS1 Challenge:

Which of these are equal to 15?

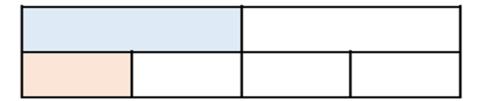


KS2 Challenge:

Mr Patel writes a number on the board.

- Lee finds  $\frac{1}{2}$  of the number.
- Kim finds  $\frac{1}{u}$  of the number.
- Lee's answer is 5 more than Kim's.

What is the number Mr Patel started with? This bar model may help you.









# St Mary's RC Primary School

## Term Dates 2024 - 2025

Please be aware that some dates differ from those published by Wandsworth. These are our term dates for the academic year.

Autumn Term 2024		
INSET Day: 2nd September		
First Day: 3rd September		
INSET Day: 7th October		
Half Term: 28th October to 1st November		
INSET Day: 4th November		
Last Day: 20th December		
Spring Term 2025		
First Day: 6th January		
Half Term: 17th to 21st February		
Last Day: 4th April		
Summer Term 2025		
First Day: 22nd April		
Bank Holiday: 5th May		
Half Term: 26th to 30th May		
INSET Day: 2nd June		
Last Day: 21st July		
One INSET Day TBC		







# St Mary's RC Primary School

## Term Dates 2025 - 2026

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Autumn Term 2025	
INSET Day: 1st September	
First Day: 2nd September	
Half Term: 27th October to 31st October	
INSET Day: 3rd November	
Last Day: 19th December	
Spring Term 2026	
First Day: 5th January	
Half Term: 16th to 20th February	
Last Day: 27th March	
Summer Term 2026	
First Day: 13th April	
Half Term: 25th to 29th May	
INSET Day: 1st June	
Last Day: 17th July	
Two INSET Days TBC	





#### POWER TO CONNECT

# Digital Drop Ins

NO BOOKING REQUIRED! BUT, PLEASE NOTE YOU MAY NEED TO WAIT TO CHAT WITH ONE OF OUR VOLUNTEERS AND SPACES ARE LIMITED

These free sessions give you the opportunity to connect with others on all things digital, share tips and get expert advice from our Digital Champion volunteers. Visit us with your device or use one of the devices available.

# Jan 2025 - Feb 2025 - Mar 2025

\*\*Sessions run from w/c 13th January to w/c 31st March, with a pause for half-term during w/c 17th February\*\*

#### MONDAY

BATTERSEA LIBRARY 265 LAVENDER HILL, SW11 1JB 10AM 12PM ROEHAMPTON LIBRARY 2 DANEBURY AVENUE, SW15 4HB 2PM - 4PM

#### TUESDAY

BATTERSEA PARK LIBRARY 309 BATTERSEA PARK RD, SW11 4NF 2PM - 4PM

#### WEDNESDAY

SOUTHFIELDS LIBRARY 300 WIMBLEDON PARK RD, SW19 6NL 2PM - 4PM

#### THURSDAY

WANDSWORTH TOWN LIBRARY 9 COURTHOUSE WAY, SW18 4QG 10AM-12PM

#### FRIDAY

TOOTING LIBRARY 75 MITCHAM RD, LONDON SW17 9PD 2PM - 4PM

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