



# Welcome to St Mary's Catholic Primary School.

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# Our school Mission Statement.

Respect Ourselves,  
Respect Others,  
Respect our School,  
Love God



## Expectations of the school

- Our Mission Statement reflects our wish to educate all children using Gospel values as our guide. Values such as tolerance, compassion, understanding and forgiveness.
- The St Mary's Way shows the key foci for the school from the point of view of the pupils.
- We expect all communications between us to be respectful and in keeping with our school ethos even when there are difficult conversations to be had.
- All adults at home and in school are positive role models for the children and so we expect all conduct to be in keeping with this.
- Keeping children safe is a top priority for us e.g. Arrangements for bringing and collecting children. Should you not be able to collect your child after school yourself, we operate a password system. You will need to ensure that you give the password you choose (and that you have told the school) to the adult collecting your child. No password then no child will be handed over.
- Correct school uniform is expected to be worn at all times. Hairstyles must be in keeping with the school uniform policy. Earrings must be removed by the child before PE. Please note that staff are not allowed to remove them for the child.

# The St. Mary's Way

Give God  
quality  
time

Listen to  
what other  
people have  
to say

Welcome  
visitors

Be  
enthusiastic

*Respect Ourselves,  
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Respect our School,  
Love God.*

Have a  
positive  
attitude

Be  
helpful  
and polite

Make the  
playground a  
happy place  
for everyone

Aim for  
my  
target

# Attendance



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## ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Getting your child to school really matters.

Did you know.....?

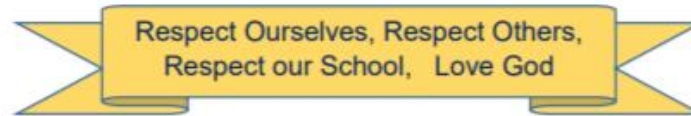
If your child's attendance during the school year is.....	Your child would have lost approximately.....	or they would have missed approximately.....
95%	9 days	50 lessons
90%	19 days	100 lessons
85%	29 days	150 lessons
80%	38 days	200 lessons
75%	48 days	250 lessons
70%	57 days	290 lessons
65%	67 days	340 lessons

**You should not take your child on holiday during term time.**

**Please encourage punctuality to maintain school attendance.**

# Remember Absence = Lost Opportunity

# Attendance



## ST MARY'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Getting your child to school on time really matters.**

**Did you know.....?**

If in a school year your child is late everyday...	your child would have lost approximately...	or they would have missed approximately...
5 minutes	3.5 days from school	20 lessons
10 minutes	7 days from school	41 lessons
15 minutes	10 days from school	55 lessons
20 minutes	14.5 days from school	82 lessons
30 minutes	22 days from school	123 lessons

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# Learning at St Marys



The EYFS curriculum in Reception class continues from your child's nursery provision. This document can be found [here](#).

The 3 prime areas of learning are:

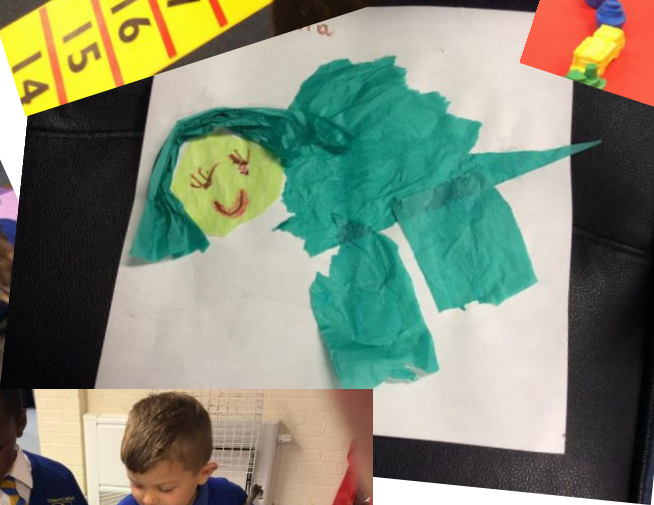
- Personal, Social and Emotional Development.
- Physical Development
- Communication and Language.

The 3 specific areas of learning are:

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Arts and Design

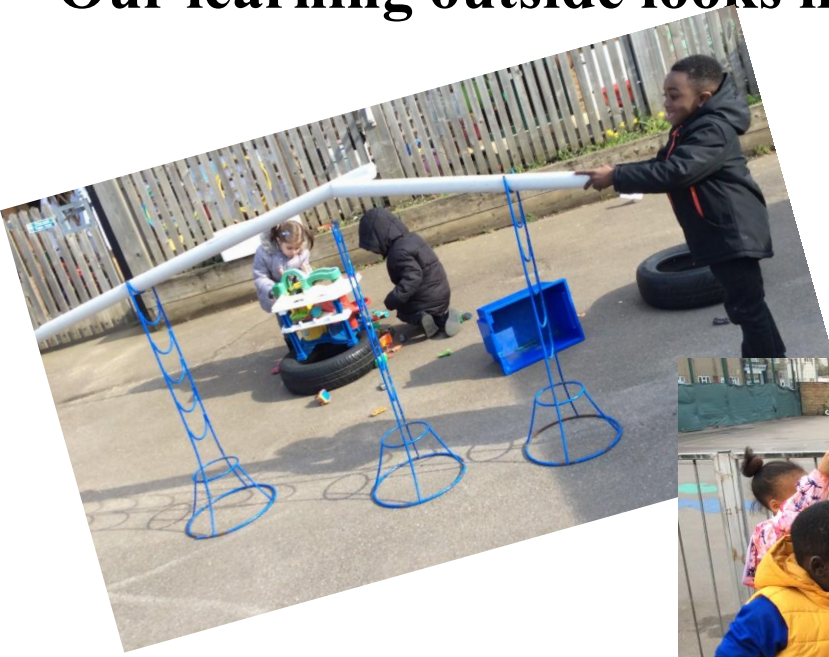


Our learning inside looks like this...





# Our learning outside looks like this...





## Skills to being a great learner

As well as all of the academic skills that we learn in Reception class we also learn some key skills to being a great learner:

- being willing to have a go and try something new
- bouncing back after difficulties and persisting in the face of challenge
- being encouraged and supported to have their own ideas finding more than one way of doing something
- being proud of how they achieve something, not just the achievement itself
- making links and connections between their learning

# What can you do to help?



**Talk with your child** – a child who is spoken to regularly develops language more quickly which leads them to being super readers and writers.

**Count with your child** – incidental counting as you are climbing the stairs, setting the table, choosing the shopping etc leads to children who are most confident with number leading to great mathematicians.

**Read them stories** – children who are read to develop stronger language skills which enables them to have super imaginations.

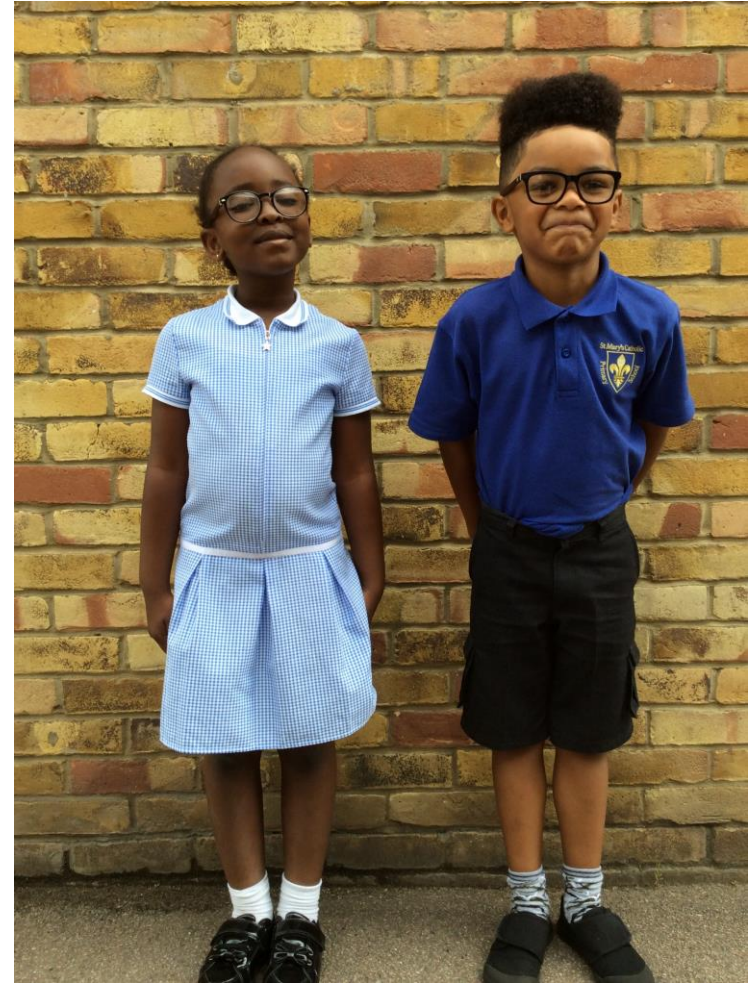
**Encourage them to share and negotiate** – children who can share well find making friends easier which leads to a happier time at school!



# Our School Uniform



Winter uniform



Summer uniform – this may  
be worn until October  
half term



# Our School Uniform

## Girls Winter

**Royal Blue Blazer (optional)**

**Royal blue cardigan**

**White shirt**

**School Tie**

**Grey skirt, pinafore or trousers**

**Black low heeled shoes**

**Grey tights or white long socks**

## Boys Winter

**Royal Blue Blazer (optional)**

**Royal blue jumper**

**White shirt**

**School Tie**

**Grey trousers**

**Black shoes**

## Girls Summer

**Royal Blue Blazer (optional)**

**Light blue gingham dress**

**White socks**

**Black or Navy Blue Low heeled shoes**

**Royal blue cardigan**

## Boys Summer

**Royal Blue Blazer (optional)**

**Royal blue polo shirt**

**Grey Shorts or trousers**

**Black Shoes**

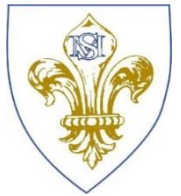
**Royal blue jumper**



# School Shoes



Please ensure that your child has sensible school shoes that they can fasten themselves – no laces please!



# Where to buy our uniform

All uniform can be purchased from Sue's Schoolwear in Grays.

<https://sues-schoolwear.co.uk/st-mary%E2%80%99s-rc-primary>

Please note that our school cardigans and jumpers are royal blue not grey as indicated on the pictures on the website. They must have the school logo.



# What Parents/Carers can do to prepare for starting school.

Teach your child to be;

- Independent in eating with a knife and fork,
- Able to dress themselves without an adult doing it for them,
- Able to get ready to go to school having all the things they will need,
- Able to go to the toilet and wash their hands
- Able to blow their nose and put the tissue in the bin.
- In school each day as a day out of school is a day's education missed
- On time for school each day as punctuality is very important for life.
- Able to develop their fine motor skills e.g. By holding a pencil, knife and fork
- Able to recognise their letters leading to reading, recognise numbers, make marks leading to writing
- Recognise their names.
- Able to tidy up their toys, share with others





## Our School Prayer

Lord Jesus, I give you my hands to do your  
work.

I give you my feet to go on your way.

I give you my eyes to see as you do.

I give you my tongue to speak your words.

I give you my mind that you may think in mine.

I give you my spirit that you may pray in me.

Above all, I give you my heart that you may  
love in me.

I give you my whole self that you may grow in  
me,

So that it is you, Lord Jesus,  
Who lives and works and prays in me.  
Amen.

