



Reflection



This Sunday, Jesus tells us that he has come so that we may have life in all its fullness. But what does it mean to live life to the full?

Living life to the full doesn't mean having all the latest toys or the coolest clothes or the biggest house. And it doesn't even mean just having all the things we need in life, like enough food and somewhere safe to live, although this is a really important part of living life to the full.

It also means being the best person that we can be, living our lives well and having the chance to use all our gifts and talents for the good of all.

Let's do all that we can this week to live our own lives to the full – doing all that we can to be the best people we can be and using our gifts and talents for the good of others. And let's also do all that we can to help others to live their lives to the full too – people here who we see every day and our brothers and sisters around the world.

What will you do this week to live life to the full and to help others to do the same?

Prayer: God of all, you sent your son Jesus, so that we may have life to the full. Inspire us to do all that we can so all your children around the world may live free from poverty and hunger. Amen.

Class photos

Class photos are on Tuesday. All children should come into school in their school uniform even if it is their normal PE day. Year 3 have had additional information regarding swimming and uniform.



Online Safety

Please find attached guides about what parents and carers need to know about Fortnite and Wizz to keep your children safe online.

Wellbeing

Parents are reminded about the parent and carer sessions that can be accessed with Horsforth Children Services if you have any concerns or worries about your child. Information can be found on our school website.

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Alice in Wonderland



Thank you to all who contributed towards the cost of Alice in Wonderland in school on Monday. It was another brilliant production from M&M productions and the children's feedback was very positive!

Coronation Celebration Day

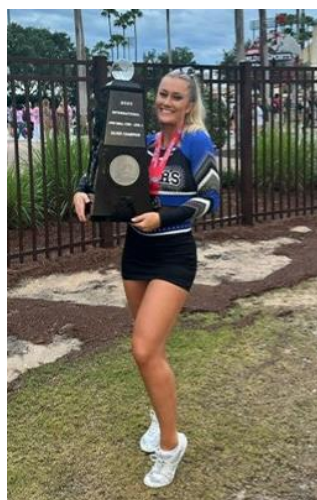
We are making King Charles III Coronation at school with a 'coronation picnic' on Friday the 5th of May. As a school we will gather together to celebrate this historical event. We will come to school dressed in red, white and blue (no sports shirts please) then have games and house events in the afternoon to mark the changing of the country's monarch.



Trips



A huge thanks to all who contributed towards the cost of the farm trip and the PTA for funding the cost of the trip to Bolton Abbey for Year 3. The Reception children were excellent examples of St Mary's children on their first school trip and Year 3 were fantastic too.



Well done

A big well done to Miss Roberts and her team who won the silver medal in the Cheerleading World Championship 2023 in Florida. Showing all the virtues of confidence, resilience and perseverance.

Family Fun Day

Don't forget the PTA family fun day on Sunday 21st May after family Mass. Children are asked to come in non-uniform on Friday 19th May and to bring a bottle in exchange for non-uniform for use in the family fun day



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Pupil survey

Prior to the Easter holidays we completed a pupil survey with all our children to take their views on St Mary's. Please see below for results and actions.

Overall the results were very positive in Reception and Key Stage 1.

Actions for Key Stage 1:

- Ensure go over safeguarding posters with children.
- Complete NSPCC assembly.
- Explicitly reference why we learn about people of other faiths and backgrounds as part of RE and PSHE lessons.

Reception and Key Stage 1

	Yes	No
I enjoy school	99%	1%
Teachers help me to do my best	99%	1%
My teachers give me work that challenges me	100%	0
I enjoy learning at this school	100%	0
Teachers listen to what I have to say in lessons	100%	0
The behaviour of other pupils in my lessons is good	100%	0
The behaviour of other pupils around school is good	100%	0
Is bullying a problem at your school?		100%
I feel safe when I am at school	100%	0
My school encourages me to look after my physical health (for example healthy eating and fitness)	100%	0
My school encourages me to look after my emotional and mental health e.g. PSHE, RSE and Mindmate lessons.	100%	0
My school encourages me to be independent and to take on responsibilities	100%	0
My school encourages me to respect people from other backgrounds and to treat everyone equally	99%	1%
I would recommend this school to a friend moving to the area	99%	1%
There is an adult at school I can talk to if something is worrying me	99%	1%

Overall the results were very positive in Key Stage 2.

Actions for Key Stage 2:

- Ensure positive behaviour of children is highlighted.
- Ensure all staff, when dealing with behaviour issues, we are clear whether it is bullying or not as when the feedback was discussed with children, there was confusion over when children get pushed in football whether that was bullying or not.
- Ask for feedback from children as to what clubs they would like in school.
- Ensure go over safeguarding posters with children.
- Complete NSPCC assembly.
- Explicitly reference why we learn about people of other faiths and backgrounds as part of RE and PSHE lessons.
- Explicitly reference why we learn about our emotional and mental health in PSHE, Mindmate, RSE lessons.

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Key Stage 2

	All the time	Most of the time	Never
I enjoy school	29%	71%	
Teachers help me to do my best	81%	19%	
My teachers give me work that challenges me	38%	60%	2%
I enjoy learning at this school	65%	34%	1%
	Agree	Disagree	
Teachers listen to what I have to say in lessons	98%	2%	
The behaviour of other pupils in my lessons is good	92%	8%	
The behaviour of other pupils around school is good	97%	3%	
	It doesn't happen	It happens and teachers are good at resolving it	It happens and teachers do nothing about it
Is bullying a problem at your school?	86%	14%	0%
	Agree	Disagree	
I feel safe when I am at school	100%	0%	
My school encourages me to look after my physical health (for example healthy eating and fitness)	100%	0%	
My school encourages me to look after my emotional and mental health e.g. PSHE, RSE and Mindmate lessons.	98%	2%	
I take part in school activities outside of lessons, like clubs, sports, music and art	82%	18%	
My school encourages me to be independent and to take on responsibilities	99%	1%	
My school encourages me to respect people from other backgrounds and to treat everyone equally	99%	1%	
I would recommend this school to a friend moving to the area	98%	2%	
There is an adult at school I can talk to if something is worrying me	98%	2%	

Headteacher Awards

Reception – George C & Jonathan C

Year 1 – Noah H & Elsie C-B

Year 2 – Eva J & Alfred C

Year 3 – Florence D & Thomas R

Year 4 – Henry B & Jacob P

Year 5 – Coen M & Esmae V

Year 6 – Erin B & Amelia D

Virtue Awards – Confidence

Reception – Ernie E

Year 1 – Harrison S

Year 2 – Laurel B

Year 3 – Ursula P

Year 4 – Ava A

Year 5 – Charlotte C

Year 6 – Anna G

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Diary Dates

Please note changes or additions in red. *denotes parents welcome

May

Tuesday	2		Swimming for Y3 starts
Tuesday	2		Class photos
Friday	5		Coronation picnic and non-uniform red, white and blue
Monday	8		Additional Bank Holiday
W/b	8		Key Stage 2 SATs
Tuesday	16	1.15pm	Open the book
Thursday	18	9.30am	Whole School Mass led by Year 5*
Friday	19	9.15am	Year 1 class assembly*
Friday	19		Bring a flower for Mary
Friday	19		Non uniform – bring a bottle for the PTA family fun day
Sunday	21	11.00am	Family Mass*
Sunday	21		PTA Family Fun Day
Monday	22	2.00pm	Reception Stay and Play*
Thursday	25		Pentecost Picnic
Thursday	25	9.15am	Reception class assembly*
Thursday	25		School closes
Friday	26		Training Day

Parish News

PRIESTS' TRAINING FUND

There will be a collection at all Masses next weekend (29th/30th April). This fund is for the support of students who are training to be priests for the Diocese of Leeds. It covers their seminary fees, their termly grant, health and insurance cover.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

If you are interested in becoming a Catholic or would like to have a “no pressure” conversation about the Catholic faith, please have a word with either Fr Michael or Fr Henry after Mass. Alternatively, send them an email (see contact details at the top of the bulletin). Introductory Rite p.7; Scripture Readings Sunday p.258; Creed & Rite of Offering p.11; Communion Rite p.56.

HORSFORTH TOWN OF SANCTUARY LAUNCH EVENT

Friday 28th April Starting at 6pm at St Margaret's Church. Bringing together local residents and people seeking sanctuary to share food, hear stories, and have fun! Enjoy sharing food from different countries made by our friends, find out about other cultures, hear stories from those who seek sanctuary, browse an exhibition of art by local children on the theme of 'Welcome', and take part in a fun quiz! To book your place please use the link below or visit the Horsforth Churches Together webpage.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/horsforth-townof-sanctuary-launch-event-new-date-tickets598310852867>

SUNDAY MASSES (Saturday Vigil)

Holy Name	6.30pm
St. Mary's	8.15am
Holy Name	9.00am
Assumption	9.45am
St Mary's	11.00am
Holy Name	11.15am