



Happy New Year

Welcome back and Happy New Year! We hope everyone had a restful, happy and healthy holiday and are looking forward to this new year. Please find attached the action for happiness calendar to support a happier January and a flyer from NT about their Healthier Lifestyles group

Year 2 Class Mass

On Thursday the children in Year 2 led the parish Mass on the theme of Thanksgiving. They read, sang and prayed with great reverence and were thankful to be joined by the family and member of the parish.

School Lunches

Please log into your Arbor Portal account to make your school lunch selections or if you need to make any changes. Remember that due to changes within the Arbor system you will need to manually choose the dinner choices for your child no later than 4 days before the beginning of the week to place their dinner choices. Please remember to regularly check your child's meals balance on your Arbor Parent Portal to prevent from accruing a debt.

New Nursery Pupils

Well done to our new Nursery pupils who started nursery sessions with us this week. They settled straight in and are very welcome additions to our school family. We still have spaces in both Nursery and Reception for September 2026 – please contact the school office for more information.

Connect MHST

As part of our continued work around Mental Health and Wellbeing, we are offering a workshop for parents on Anxiety and Worries. This is at 9am on Thursday 22nd January in the school hall. The Connect Team are looking to develop the Parent & Carer Voice Group and have 2 meetings schedules to develop their program and find out what parents and carers need. These are on Monday 26th January 6pm - 7pm at Shiremoor Family Hub and Wednesday 28th January 9am - 10am at Howdon Family Hub. Please email connectmhst@northtyneside.gov.uk if you can attend.

Dates for Diary

Thursday 15th January – School Census Lunch Day

Friday 16th January – Year 3 Family Celebration of the Word

Thursday 22nd January – Connect Anxiety Workshop

Thursday 22nd January – Year 5 Class Mass

Friday 30th January – Year 5 & 6 Theatre Visit

House of the Week is St Hilda's

Next week is MONKEY week on the school lunch menu

Don't forget to visit our school website for further school information

www.stmarysonline.co.uk