



St Mary's Catholic Primary Schools Trust

Friday 28th March 2019

Dear St Mary's Parents and Carers,

We have nearly come to the end of another very busy term and our children in both schools have achieved so much.

Dancing

I was fortunate enough to watch our Year 1 and Junior Dancers perform at Trinity School last week and it made me so proud to see them perform with such confidence. A big thank you to our wonderful children, their amazing teachers who give up their time to coach the children on top of their day job! Last but certainly not least all our St Mary's families who support their children to do these things that make such a difference to their lives. I am sure they will remember the moment when they stood on that stage, staring out at a packed, cheering audience – wonderful stuff!

Visitors

We are very proud of our schools and what we are achieving together we are always happy to welcome visitors and this week we had a visit from Mr Coleman from Southwark Diocese. He spent the day looking at the teaching and learning of RE and how our Faith is lived out in the daily life of our schools. He was very complimentary about the very high quality of the children's RE work in all year groups and in particular, the way that our St Mary's children are so committed to their faith.

Our Wonderful Children

All our children have been working very hard this term. Our Year 6 children in particular have been beavering away in preparation for their exams. I am so proud of the way they are taking their learning so seriously and are all determined to do their very best. We have enjoyed lots of beautiful class liturgies in both schools, lots of visitors to the school who are helped to extend and deepen our children's involvement and enjoyment of the curriculum and of course both schools are now beginning to prepare to celebrate the wonderful bounty of God's world by developing our schools gardens.

Lent

The children at both schools have been following their Lenten journey and next week we will be looking closely at our Lord's journey to the cross. The children have made their Lenten promises which they are hopefully keeping at home as well as at school and next week we will be making a particular effort to keep you involved on our Lenten journey via Twitter so please follow us on [@MaryCroydon](https://twitter.com/MaryCroydon)

Still to come....

Our Junior School choir will be performing at Trinity School on Monday, (I am so looking forward to hearing them), and our Infant children will be following the journey to the cross on RE day on Thursday.

I wish you all a blessed weekend, particularly to all our mums, aunties and grandmothers. I expect your children to be spoiling you on Mothering Sunday!

With very best wishes,

Miss O'Callaghan
Executive Headteacher