St Mary's School, Kells

End of Term - July 2026

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Classes for September

Teachers for next year will be as follows:

Nursery	Mrs Heather Forster	**Reception**	Mrs Helen Sibbald
Year 1	Miss Claire Hillon	**Year 2**	Mrs Lucy Brannon
Year 3	Miss Devon Holmes	**Year 4**	Miss Grace Studholme
Year 5	Mrs Sarah McAdam & Mrs Kerrie Barnes	**Year 6**	Mrs Emmy Nice

At the end of term, Mrs Starkie will be retiring from St Mary's School after 36 years.
She will be very much missed by all the staff and children.
We would like to say a huge thank you and wish her a long, healthy and happy retirement, with lots of holidays in the sunshine!



School Meals & ParentPay

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 pupils are entitled to a free school meal.
Please remember that children moving to Year 3 will need to start paying for lunches in September.
Caterlink provide school with a cash free service and ALL parents (including those who are entitled to free school meals) are asked to set up an account with ParentPay. Usernames/passwords can be obtained from the school office if you need to set up a new account.
ParentPay can also be used to pay for wrap around care and after school clubs.

School Times

Just a reminder of the school gate times for September:

Morning **8.10 a.m. to 8.40 a.m. – playground gates open - lessons start at 8.40 a.m.**
Children arriving late after 8.40 a.m. will need to be signed in at the front door, as the playground gate will be locked

Afternoon **School ends and gates open at 3.10 p.m.**

Nursery Sessions

Please remember that children who are attending the afternoon nursery session at the moment, will attend the morning session next term.
Children whose parents have applied for 30 hours nursery provision will attend all day.

Morning session children can be collected at 11.30 a.m. or they can stay for lunch and be collected at 12.00 p.m. Please book and pay for nursery meals at home using the ParentPay app, so we are sure the children are served something that they like to eat.

Tickets are still available for KS 2 performances of "Cinderella & Rockerfella" at Rosehill Theatre on Thursday 16th July

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90th Anniversary End of Term Mass

There will be a School Mass on Thursday 2nd July. Everyone is welcome to join us in church at 9.30 a.m.



Altar Servers

Children who have made their First Holy Communion are able to be altar servers at Mass. Fr Kevan would be grateful for helpers during Sunday Mass, which takes place each week at 10 a.m. Children who would like to help just need to see him before Mass and he will provide training. Thank you.

Wrap Around Care

Before and after school care is available for all age groups as follows:

Before school 7.30 a.m. to 8.40 a.m. — Cost £3.50 per day

After school (except Fridays) 3.10 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. — Cost £5.00 per day

Sessions need to be booked using the online form on our school website or using the QR code and then paid for in advance using ParentPay. Bookings are only confirmed once payment has been received.

School Uniform for September.

This is a reminder about our school uniform, which you should bear in mind when buying clothing for September. Children should wear a school sweatshirt or cardigan, dark grey trousers/skirt and a white polo or shirt. If the weather is hot, blue checked summer dresses are acceptable or grey/black smart shorts **(no sports-wear or leggings).**

Sportswear, jogging bottoms and tracksuit trousers are not uniform and should only be worn for outdoor P.E. lessons.

The school outdoor P.E. uniform for Reception to 6 is a plain grey sweatshirt (without a hood) and black jogging trousers (sweatshirts & joggers should not have brand logos or designs on them and please don't buy leggings).

All pupils need an indoor P.E. kit, which is a white T shirt and black shorts.

Uniform is available from www.oneidentity.co.uk or www.myclothing.com

Earrings – Please have ears pierced at the start of the summer holidays. Only small stud earrings (not hoops) are allowed for school and all earrings must be removed at home on PE days.

Celebration/Leavers' Assembly

This will take place on Friday 17th July at 9.30 a.m. and everyone is welcome to join us to say goodbye to pupils and staff who are leaving us this summer.



School closes on
Friday 17th July at 1.10 p.m.
and re-opens on
Wednesday 2nd September

All children will need to be collected by an adult on Friday

Please let us know who will be collecting your child.

Stay safe and have a very happy summer holiday!

