How can I help my child?

We want to make the change of class as easy as possible for your child. You can help them by:

Ensuring that all their possessions (especially sweatshirts and coats) are named.

Encouraging your child's growing independence by letting them sort out their own lunchbox, coat, bag etc.

Listening to them read every day and asking them about the books that they have read.

Supporting them with their weekly homework.

Looking out for information about our topics on the website and encouraging your child to continue learning at home.

Visiting our class web page regularly to ensure you as a family are familiar with using it in the event of home learning.

Coming and speaking to us if you or your child have any worries, however small.



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Together in God's family, we grow in faith, knowledge & love to reach our full potential, and to become the people that we are created to be.

The Lower Key Stage Two Team look forward to the coming year as we continue our learning journey together.

Remember to look out for our weekly newsletters and messages on Parent App.

Mary Class web page will also be updated regularly with curriculum information and photos of learning in school.

Welcome to Mary Class 2024 - 2025



Blessed Virgin Mary

Miss Palacio and Miss Raynor welcome you and your child to Mary Class. Do feel free to contact school and ask us any questions that you have. We will do our best to answer them.

Rewards in Mary Class:

- Busy Bees —Can you travel up the honeycombs to reach the honey pot for a prize?
- Dojo points for following our behaviour charter, which lead to team rewards.
- Two 'Star of the Week' certificates, along with a 'Reader of the Week' certificate are awarded every Friday.
- A free book after '150 home reads', with an extra reward after every 25.

Knowledge Organisers

Knowledge Organisers will be posted on our website to give you an overview of what we will be learning about in different subjects. They help connect school and home and provide a great starting point for carrying out additional research and work at home.

Uniform and Equipment

Children should wear black school shoes, not trainers.

PE Kit: Plain, navy blue shorts/joggers, white t -shirt and pumps/trainers. Mary Class will have PE on **Tuesdays and Thursday** this year and should **arrive in PE kit on these days**. Please ensure that your child has the correct kit and long hair is tied back.

No jewellery is allowed at any time.

Your child's reading book should be in school every day. They will be given a book changing day when they will receive two new books as long as their reading diary has been signed by an adult to say they have finished their current books.

<u>Homework</u>

Please encourage and support your child with their homework. Each week, they will have a list of spellings to learn, in addition to a specific times table. Weekly spellings and times tables will be tested every Friday.

Details, including which spellings and times tables to learn, can be found on our class web page.

Children are also expected to read for 15 minutes each night. Books should be discussed and questions asked to develop comprehension skills.

Additional home learning activities are available on our webpage.

In Mary Class, you will be expected to:

- Always do your best
- Be kind and considerate to everyone
- Follow our class rules
- Complete all homework (including daily reading)
- Have your reading book in school every day
- Come to school on time, walking in sensibly for an 8.55am start. Doors will be open from 8.45am, with a morning task ready for you to complete on arrival.
- Look after your own things
- Respect others and their property

Visit our curriculum pages for further information but topics this year will include:

- Local Area
- Skeletons
- * Stonehenge
- Volcanoes and Earthquakes
- * Roman Britain
- Healthy Lifestyle



