



English Martyrs' Catholic Primary School

Friday 5th June 2026

Welcome back to the final half term of this academic year! Where has the time gone!

The children have returned back to school on top form! They have been engaged in learning, eager to learn and have returned looking very smart, thank you!

Please could I give a polite reminder that tracksuit bottoms of any sort and round necked tee shirts are not part of school uniform. We pride ourselves on being understanding that uniform items with a school logo cost much more. Following recent Government guidance that from September 2026, no more than 3 items of uniform and PE kit are to be specifically branded, we will be continuing to state that if it just the school jumper or cardigan that has the school logo on, that is absolutely fine, however, please can you ensure your child wears school trousers or skirt/pinafore/dress and a white polo shirt (it does not have to have the school logo on!). Not only does it give the children a sense of unity and belonging, it also preps them for the world ahead of them where correct clothing is an essential. Thank you!

If you were out and about on Monday morning, you might have seen groups of our Year 6 children with PC Ruth and PCSOs Ronnie and Sofia! They were taking part in a community road watch. Under their watchful eye, the children used speed guns to track and flag down motorists who were exceeding the speed limit on Adelphi Street. A great initiative to be involved in thank you for inviting us to be part of it PC Ruth!

PC Ruth and PCSOs Ronnie and Sofia stayed in school over lunchtime ready to deliver a really important assembly with our Years 4, 5 and 6 children in the afternoon. As part of the national initiative Operation Sceptre, police officers have been going into schools, primary and secondary, to discuss how to stay safe when out and about, especially in relation to knife crime. The children asked some really interesting questions, they listened attentively and maturely. Well done children, you now know what to do and how you can keep safe 😊 Ruth, Ronnie and Sofia, we hope you all enjoyed your lunch with us too!

Yesterday Mrs McIntock, Mrs Delves and a whole group of staff, went with our Year 2 children to *Imagine That!* For their school trip. The children, and adults, had a fantastic time, taking part in activities, finding out interesting facts and have a great old time! The children's behaviour was impeccable, a real credit to all! Well done children and thank you Mrs Thomas for organising and to all the staff who made it possible!

Next week sees the start of the World Cup 2026! During the week beginning Monday 15th June, there is a different World Cup Country themed lunch (please see the separate flier!). To celebrate the World Cup and to spend time researching different countries, we are having our own Geography World Cup Day on Friday 19th June. Each class is choosing a different country and they will be learning about the country, their languages, traditions, maybe their food and learn a few words in the language too! Please speak to your child's class teacher to find out which country is their focus.

Unfortunately, from 1st September 2026, as a result of increased costs in food, we are having to increase the cost of school dinners to £2.75 a day. As you know, we continue to have one of the lowest prices for school dinners in our surrounding school area and it is not something we have done lightly. Please remember to keep checking for Free School Meal eligibility, you never know! Thank you for your understanding 😊

Do you have 11 hours a week and would like to earn a bit extra whilst helping school? If so, we have a part time cleaner vacancy here in school! 3:15 – 5:15pm Monday to Friday. If you are interested, please ask either Mrs Galka or Mrs Edwards in the main office! 😊

Attendance Matters!

Being in school EVERY DAY and ON TIME is a non-negotiable and expectation for EVERYONE!

	Attendance	Punctuality (Lates)
Reception	97% 😊 ☆	3
Year 1	94%	4
Year 2	94%	3
Year 3	93%	13
Year 4	95%	8
Year 5	93%	5
Year 6	94%	3
Total	94%	39 😊

Pantry @ EM

We are 'open' any day at any time of there is ANYTHING you need to stock up on. Please don't be shy, don't be proud or embarrassed, we are all here to help and support each other.

Please either ask in the office, ask Mrs Hewitson or Mrs Howarth, or any member of staff, or drop one of us an email and we will have a bag ready for you by the end of the day. 😊

What's on in School?	
Date	Activity
Monday 1 st – Friday 12 th June	Year 4 Multiplication Tables check
Tuesday 2 nd , 3 rd , 8 th , 9 th , 10 th June	KS1 SATs Year 2
Monday 8 th June – Friday 12 th June	Year 1 Phonics Screening Tests
Monday 15 th – Friday 19 th June	Sky Arts Week
Friday 19 th June	Geography Day
	Coram Life Education - EYFS & KS1
Monday 22 nd June	Coram Life Education - KS2
	EYFS Sports Morning 930am
	KS1 Sports Afternoon 130pm
Tuesday 23 rd June	Year 1 trip to Leyland Transport Museum
Wednesday 24 th June	Lower KS2 (Years 3 & 4) Sports Morning 930am
	Upper KS2 (Years 5 & 6) Sports Afternoon 130pm
Tuesday 30 th June	Year 3 trip to Ribchester
Wednesday 1 st July	Maths Day
Friday 3 rd July	Move Up Day!
Tuesday 7 th July	Years 4 & 5 trip to Blackpool Zoo
Thursday 9 th July	Year 6 EMIs (English Martyrs' Inspiration awards)
Monday 13 th July	Whole School EMIs
Tuesday 14 th July	iRock performance
Wednesday 15 th July	Finish school for summer! (Usual times!)

The theme for English Martyrs' Shining Stars this week was chosen by Year 2 for...



'Resilience'

Nursery – Olivia

Reception – Adam

Year 1 – Joakim

Year 3 – Peniel

Year 4 – Imran

Year 5 – KingVictor

Year 6 – Aurora



The Life-Long Learners at English Martyrs' theme for this half term is

'Not giving up!'

Nursery – Divine

Reception – Zornista

Year 1 – Wilmer

Year 3 – Ethan

Year 4 – Ebenezer

Year 5 – Naved

Year 6 – Evie



Well done EVERYONE!

You ALL always make us proud!



'If you get tired, learn to rest, don't quit.'

Banksy (Artist)