

Griffins Newsletter - 2nd October 2026

Our Mission Statement at Stella Maris

Our school mission is what God sent us into the world to do – to help build His kingdom through learning, playing and making friends together. The tools we will use to do this are:

Love, Care, Share, Trust and Respect

Our theme for reflection this week was **share**.

And he said to them, "Go into all the world and proclaim the Gospel to the whole world." Mark 16:15

It has been another busy week of learning in Griffins!

In Maths, we have been developing our written calculation skills by learning how to use column subtraction. We have also explored how rounding can help us check our answers and spot errors. We finished the week by applying our skills to a range of word problems, thinking carefully about which operation we needed to use.

In English, we have been learning about parenthesis and how brackets, dashes and commas can be used to add extra information to our writing. We have also begun drafting our Roman information sheets, using the research we have gathered about life in the Roman Empire.

Science was very hands-on this week! We used real flowers to explore the different parts of a flower and learn about their roles in pollination and fertilisation. The children enjoyed examining the flowers closely and identifying the different structures we have been learning about.

In French, we have begun learning how to describe our journey to school, building our vocabulary and practising how to explain the different stages of our journey.

In RE, we continued our learning about the Ten Commandments, focusing particularly on the importance of respect and how this can be shown towards God and towards other people in our everyday lives.

A little reminder: If you still have your Christmas card order forms, please return them to school as soon as possible. Thank you!

KEY REMINDERS

PE - Thursdays: Please ensure that children wear the correct school PE uniform. Branded sports kits should not be worn.

Homework: We encourage children to attempt their homework each week. Homework is beneficial to their learning and supports the work they complete in class. Homework will be uploaded weekly.

Spelling Tests: Spelling tests will take place every Friday, unless stated otherwise.

Toys: Children are reminded not to bring toys of any kind into school from home, unless this has been previously agreed with the class teacher.

KEY DATES

Friday 9th October: We will be taking part in Wear Yellow Day to support Mental Health and Wellbeing.

Our class attendance this week was: 94.7%