THE MARY BUDDING TRUST

Newsletter June 2026

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A WORD FROM THE TRUSTEES

Welcome to The Mary Budding Trust's update on our activities over the last twelve months. For those of you who have not heard of us before – the Trust has been in existence since 2002. We are a self-funding charity, run by unpaid volunteers and our objective is to support children with additional needs, aged eleven or under, living within the West Devon area, by providing small grants. We meet in person 4 times a year to discuss grant applications, fundraising and the way forward for the Trust.

Over the last 12 months, we have been able to give 9 grants to provide much-needed equipment and therapy: it is largely due to all those who have supported our fundraising activities and giving donations, so a big thank you to you all from the Trustees.

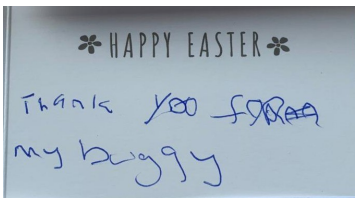


Sarah and Anne-Marie (trustees) had a great time at Horrabridge School on Wednesday 12th November 2025 where they gave a presentation during the school's afternoon assembly about the work of the Mary Budding Trust. Pictured are John Clarke (headteacher) and members of the School Council who are organising fundraising activities for the trust.

IN 2025 - 2026 WE HAVE PROVIDED ..

The fundraising and generous donations, throughout 2025 - 2026, have enabled us to allocate grants to provide equipment such as iPads, support towards disability buggies, Dyslexia sessions; therapies such as speech and language and play therapy.
Parents, carers, teachers and other agencies apply to the Trust for a wide variety of equipment.







A huge thank you to Horrabridge Primary School Council for running a stall selling cakes, books and toys to raise money for the Mary Budding Trust at the school's Christmas Fair on Friday 12th December. Thank you to Mel (school's SENDCo) who worked really hard to put it together. It was a brilliant event and especially lovely to meet up with Rebekah and mum Sarah whose garden was transformed and made accessible with help from the Trust.

The Trustees also give presentations on the work of the Trust so, if you would like book someone to talk to your group, please contact us.

Click here to read the Chair's report for 2025—2026 in PDF
https://marybuddingtrust.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/MBT-Chairs-report-2025-6.pdf

Please use the QR code below to donate to this small local charity.

PUTTING THE FUN INTO FUNDRAISING!

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL





Once again the Trustees decorated a tree at the annual Christmas tree festival at St Eustachius' Church, Tavistock.

STANNARY BRASS BAND CONCERT

The Stannary Brass Band entertained a very packed St Eustachius' Church, Tavistock on Saturday 13th December 2025 with a full programme ranging from traditional carols with audience participation to 'Stop the Cavalry'. The concert was hosted by the band's patron, Angela Rippon CBE, who oversaw the evening from the pulpit.
With knowledge and understanding of the work of the Mary Budding Trust, Angela gave an overview to the audience during the evening.
We would like to give a huge thank you to all the band members and Angela for such an enjoyable and festive concert.
From the concert's proceeds, a donation of £800 was made to the Mary Budding Trust.







CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING UP

The Mary Budding Trust had a stall at the first Christmas Lights Switch On at The Rock Inn, Yelverton on Saturday 29th November 2025. Anne-Marie (trustee) had been very busy beforehand (with her helper) to make lots of items to sell at our stall. It was buzzing with happy faces both from adults and children with items being bought for gifts and in particular sweet cones being eaten by little ones. It was a successful afternoon with £296.40 raised for the charity. Thank you to The Rock Inn Team and all those who supported this event.

QUIZ NIGHT

What a good way to start the year with the Mary Budding Trust quiz night, held on Saturday 7th February 2026. Once again a big, big 'thank you' must go to our Quizmasters and scorer, Will and Elaine who kept us all entertained with questions covering topics such as 'the Greeks', 'Riddles', 'Art & Illustrators', Music and 'Science'.
Thank you to all who donated a raffle prize which included a hamper from Roots and Vine and a voucher from Palmers Butchers of Tavistock.
Many quizzers returned with some new additions attending the night at the Parish Centre, Tavistock to support this local charity. It was so popular that we had a 'full house'. Well done to the 15 teams who took part enabling £684.83 to be raised on the night for the Mary Budding Trust with a further donation of £50 from a group who couldn't make the evening.

SCROLL OF HONOUR

Thank you for Donations

* Tavistock Lions
* Brian Medhurst
* St Paul's Church Hall Yelverton
* R Cawford
* Stannary Brass Band
* Paypal Giving fund
* Horrabridge Primary School
* S &T Hall
* R & K Alexander

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https://marybuddingtrust.org.uk/

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Date of Our Next Meeting 2026

Please send in grant applications before this date:
Monday 22nd June 2026