



One Family in Christ

St John the Baptist RC Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs L. Campbell

Newsletter

19th September 2025

It's week 3 and we have had a fantastic week! Despite the amount of rain we've had, the children have been focussed in class and have produced some great work.

Our new Reception class are a delight and are following the class routines really well. Also, Nursery are happily settling in and it is lovely to see them explore the provision and try new experiences.

Thank you, parents and carers, for your ongoing support as we start a new year together.

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Head-teacher awards	Qualities of the class 'woman of the Bible'	Celebration of Talent spotting
Nursery (Jochabed)	Ella	Yasa Fatimah
Reception (Miriam)	Adannaya	Lucas Christabel
Y1 (Elizabeth)	Blessing	Kore Melaher
Y2 (Prisca)	Iylah	Grace Hina
Y3 (Sheba)	Salvador	Hafsa Emmanuella
Y4 (Deborah)	Debbie	Omar Peace
Y5 (Esther)	Jace	Subhan Luana
Y6 (Lydia)	Ra'ees	Linola Awais

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance: week beg 15.09.25	94	96.5	98	99.5	99.3	97.3	97.3

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Catholic Life

Gospel: John 3:13-17

Jesus said to Nicodemus:

“And no one has ever gone up to heaven except the Son of Man, who came down from heaven.

As Moses lifted up the bronze snake on a pole in the desert, in the same way the Son of Man must be lifted up, so that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not die but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to be its judge, but to be its saviour.”

In this week's Gospel, we hear that God loved the world so much that he sent Jesus, to help bring us closer to him. God sent us his Son, even though he knew that Jesus would be put to death on the cross. God knew that Jesus would rise again three days later. Through his death and resurrection Jesus gave us all new life. This is what Catholics celebrate today.



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The Importance of Attendance

Every Day Counts!

We believe that **good attendance is the foundation of every child's success**. Each day at school provides opportunities to learn, make friends, and develop important life skills. Even small absences can add up quickly and affect progress.

Why Attendance Matters

- **Learning builds step by step** – Missing just one day can mean gaps in understanding.
- **Friendships grow daily** – Being present helps children feel included and connected.
- **Habits for life** – Regular attendance builds responsibility and resilience.

Did You Know?

- Being just **10 minutes late every day** adds up to nearly **a whole week of school missed** over the year.
- Missing **2 days per month = 20 days a year**, almost an entire month of learning lost.

How You Can Help

- Set a **regular bedtime and morning routine**.
- Prepare school bags, uniforms, and lunches the night before.
- Book medical and dental appointments **outside of school hours** whenever possible.
- Do not book trips in term time – there are 13 weeks a year where you are able to book holidays and visits to family.
- Contact the school early if your child is unwell or if you're facing challenges with attendance – we're here to support you.

Working Together

We know things don't always go as planned. If you're experiencing difficulties with getting your child to school, please reach out to Mrs Robinson or your child's class teacher. Together, we can find solutions to help every child attend, achieve, and thrive.

✦ **Remember: Every school day counts, and every child matters!**

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Y6 Dodgeball

A selection of year 6 children participated in an intra dodgeball event on Thursday night. They organised, led and refereed themselves in an enjoyable night.



Nursery Physical Development

Nursery used all their concentration skills when playing skittles this week in PD. They had to work hard on their aiming skills to be successful at knocking all the pins over.



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Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1

Reception children have loved spotting the plants around our school grounds as part of their 'Creation and Consequence' RE learning. They were so excited by God's wonderful creations that they were keen to demonstrate commitment to care for our Common Home. They talked about how to take care of living things and how to show love towards them.



As part of our music lessons this year, the Year 2 children have been practising the ukulele! They have been busy learning to strum and play chords and are building confidence with every new song. Keep your eyes peeled for their performance at the end of the half term! We can't wait to invite our families in to celebrate the children's musical talents.

"Love one another as I have loved you." John 15:12

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KS2

During Forest School, UKS2 children enjoyed harvesting and tasting fruit and vegetables that we have planted in our Laudato Si' Centre. They were so thrilled to see their plants coming to life and to celebrate the re-producing nature of God's creation.



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