



One Family in Christ

St John the Baptist RC Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs L. Campbell

Newsletter

17th October 2025

We've had a week of hard work and effort from every class – well done to all the children for their wonderful work and behaviour 😊

There are lots of upcoming events for parent and carers:

Every Monday: EYFS drop ins
 22/10/25 Y5 PE showcase 2.45pm
 1/12/25 Advent Mass 10am
 10/12/25 Y4 PE showcase 2.45pm
 11/12/25 Y2 Music performance 9.15am
 11/12/25 Y6 Music performance 1.30pm
 15/12/25 Christmas Mass 10am

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Head-teacher awards	Qualities of the class 'woman of the Bible'	Celebration of Talent spotting
Nursery (Jochabed)	Ella	Masooma Rosy-May
Reception (Miriam)	Victoria	Aabel Nurgis
Y1 (Elizabeth)	Niyar	Caleb Rumaisa
Y2 (Prisca)	Asim	Manahil Zarmeen
Y3 (Sheba)	Salvador	Peniel Kendra
Y4 (Deborah)	Lexie	Ava-Rose Naomie
Y5 (Esther)	Joshua	Aisha D Esmee
Y6 (Lydia)	Emelia	Madeha Nimra

Class	Reception	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Attendance: week beg 13.10.25	94.7	100	95.3	98	99.2	99	95.8

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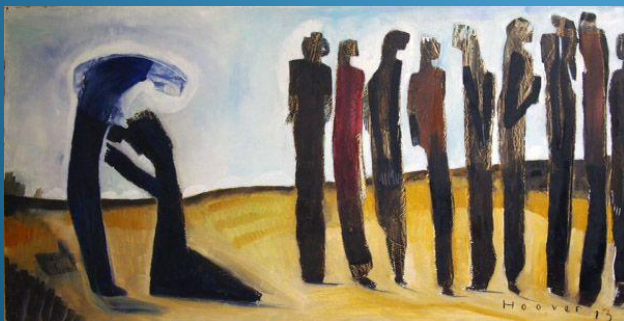
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Catholic Life

Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

As Jesus made his way to Jerusalem, he went along the border between Samaria and Galilee. He was going into a village when he was met by ten men suffering from a skin disease. They stood at a distance and shouted, "Jesus! Master! Take pity on us!"

Jesus saw them and said to them, "Go and let the priests examine you." On the way they were made clean. When one of them saw that he was healed, he came back, praising God in a loud voice. He threw himself to the ground at Jesus' feet and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. Jesus said, "There were ten men who were healed; where are the other nine? Why is this foreigner the only one who came back to give thanks to God?" And Jesus said to him, "Get up and go; your faith has made you well."



Like the man who returned to Jesus, we should praise and thank God for all the amazing things that we have been given. When we see all that we have as a gift from God, it is easier to share what we have. It makes us want to care for the earth and make it a fairer place for all people to live. A place where all people have enough food to eat, safe water to drink, a home to live in.

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The Importance of Attendance

Our school attendance this week has been wonderful again!

We are currently at **97%** which is amazing ☺



New guidance for schools is that sickness or diarrhoea requires 24 off school.

If your child has both sickness **AND** diarrhoea, it is 48 hours.

Thank you for making medical appointments out of school time.

Half term dates are Monday 27th October to Friday 31st October.

As we approach the half term, please ensure that the children are back in school on **3rd November 2025.**



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SEND support



Visuals for Communication and Independence

for parents and carers of children and young people aged 3-19

Date: Thursday 23rd October 2025

Time: 9.30-11.30

Location: Kentmere Primary, Kentmere Avenue, Smallbridge, Rochdale OL12 9EE

What to expect?

A short, practical course where you will come away with the tools you need to get visuals working for your family. You will also have the opportunity to meet and talk with other parents or carers.

How to book:

Should you wish to book a place on a workshop, please email hmr-ndhub@nca.nhs.uk or call **0161 206 0606**.

Please include your child's name and date of birth in the email.

Please note – it is not appropriate to bring children to the session as there are no childcare facilities available.

Workshops

We also offer the following workshops for parents and carers.

- Tools for Emotional Regulation
- Sensory Processing and Anxiety
- Personal Care from a Sensory Perspective
- Proprioception / vestibular practical workshop
- Managing Anger and Meltdowns
- Communication and Play



Managing Anger and Meltdowns Worksh

for parents and carers of primary and secondary aged child

Date: Wednesday 22nd October 2025

Time: 9.30-11.30

Location: Castleton Primary, Hillcrest Road, Rochdale OL11 2I

What to expect?

The workshop supports parent and carers to understand and manage anger, anxiety, distressed behaviours and meltdowns.

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For more information about times and venues, please check our Facebook page – **HMR Neurodiversity Hub** or email hmr-ndhub@nca.nhs.uk or call **0161 206 0606** for a copy of the workshop timetable.



Proprioception and Vestibular Practical Workshop

for parents and carers of primary and secondary aged children

This workshop will be delivered by an Occupational Therapist

Date: Wednesday 15th October 2025

Time: 9.30-11.00

Location: Bowlee Park Primary, Windermere Road, Manchester M24 4LA

What to expect?

We will show some hands on activities you can use with your child. We will look at using equipment such as therabands, therapy balls, bean bags and using what you have at home.

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Sensory Processing Difficulties Webinar

Please scan the QR code to find out how sensory processing difficulties can impact on day to day activities and gives ideas for what you can do about it. Where possible, please watch the webinar before attending the workshop



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Yr 6 Intra Dodgeball

Thursday night saw the second half of year 6 compete in an intra dodgeball event. They set up, picked their own teams and officiated themselves which contributed to a successful night.



Nursery Physical Development



EYFS have been working on their balance this week in PD. We introduced some different equipment for the children to try out, which they really enjoyed.

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Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1



Some children in Reception have loved exploring in 'Elijah's Nook' and preparing for some reflective time. To help them, they explored with the animals within the tuff tray when thinking about Genesis 1 'The Creation Story'. It has been marvellous to see the children build on their RE learning to create prayerful reflections with their friends.

As part of our Year 2's Science unit on 'Healthy Eating', we chose seasonal vegetables to make a healthy sandwich. The children talked about the importance of a balanced diet and how to look after themselves. First, we planned our healthy sandwich and today we made it - they were really tasty! Next week, we will evaluate our sandwich making skills.



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

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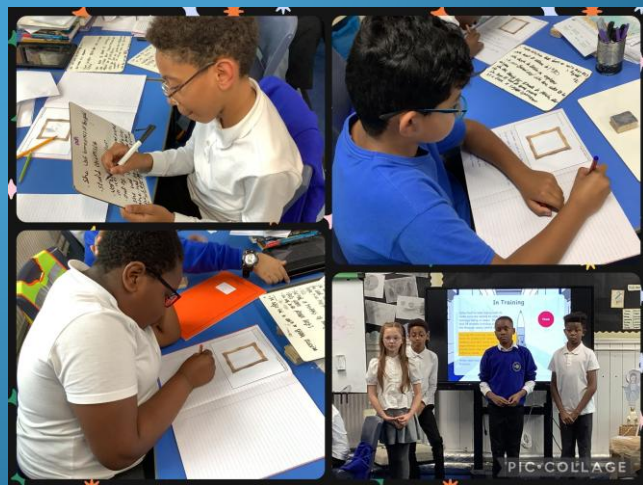
LKS2



This week, Year 3 have painted cross-sections of fruits like apples, oranges, and kiwis! They brought them to life on paper with colour, shape, and texture. The results are beautiful—each piece showing careful attention to detail and a wonderful sense of artistic expression.

UKS2

This week, Year 5 have been continuing their learning on Earth and Space. They have created a biography on Helen Sharman – the first Briton in space. Our history leaders enjoyed sharing their knowledge of Helen and were able to ask and answer questions about her – they were fantastic teachers!



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