



One Family in Christ

St John the Baptist RC Primary School

Headteacher: Mrs L. Campbell

Newsletter

3rd October 2025

It has been a busy week and there has been a lot to celebrate! The first 'postcards' went out this week and 5 children were recognised for their exceptional behaviour and attitudes.

There are lots of upcoming events for parent and carers:

Every Monday: EYFS drop ins
 6/10/25 Welcome Mass 10am
 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)	Masooma	Ella Fatima
Reception (Miriam)	Stella	Colleen Bano
Y1 (Elizabeth)	Omari	Ayman Arianna
Y2 (Prisca)	Zarmeen	Shehryar Amanda
Y3 (Sheba)	Jannat	Peniel Jason
Y4 (Deborah)	Mohammed Yusuf	Milene Hassan
Y5 (Esther)	Naomi	Gael Aisha D
Y6 (Lydia)	Pison	Umar Aryan

Class	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Attendance: week beg 29.09.25	96.1	98.6	96.7	92.9	99.4	98.4	97.2

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Catholic Life

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

There was once a rich man who dressed in the most expensive clothes and lived in great luxury every day. There was also a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who used to be brought to the rich man's door, hoping to eat the bits of food that fell from the rich man's table. Even the dogs would come and lick his sores.

The poor man died and was carried by the angels to sit beside Abraham at the feast in heaven. The rich man died and was buried, and in Hades, where he was in great pain, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus at his side. So he called out "Father Abraham! Take pity on me, and send Lazarus to dip his finger in some water and cool my tongue, because I am in great pain in this fire!" But Abraham said, "Remember my son, that in your lifetime you were given all the good things, while Lazarus got all the bad things. But now he is enjoying himself here, while you are in pain. Besides all that, there is a deep pit lying between us, so that those who want to cross over from here to you cannot do so, nor can anyone cross over to us from where you are." The rich man said, "Then I beg you, Father Abraham, send Lazarus to my father's house, where I have five brothers. Let him go and warn them so that they, at least, will not come to this place of pain." Abraham said, "Your brothers have Moses and the prophets to warn them; your brothers should listen to what they say." The rich man answered, "That is not enough, Father Abraham! But if someone were to rise from death and go to them, then they would turn from their sins." But Abraham said, "If they will not listen to Moses and the prophets, they will not be convinced even if someone were to rise from death."

In school, we discussed how God calls us to give what we can, of our time and our talents and our money, and to do all that we can to help each other get enough to eat. God asks us not to ignore each other, but to help one another.

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Catholic Life: Mary

The month of October is a powerful time to pray to Mary, the mother of Jesus. The Rosary is especially remembered during the month of October. This beautiful prayer, which repeats the prayers of the "Our Father", the "Hail Mary" and the "Glory Be," can be said alone or with others. Rosary beads are often used to keep track of the number of prayers. In school, we all completed different activities after our Worship about Mary.



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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 😊

129 children had 100% attendance in September!



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



**ROCHDALE
TOWN HALL**

SEND SUNDAYS

- Puppet Making
- Theatre Craft
- The Orchestra of Sound
- Family Theatre
- Eliza Says

FREE

First Sunday of each month



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KS1 Gymnastics

KS1 have been practicing how to land with poise and control in gymnastics. They have needed to use their balancing skills, as well as concentration, to continue their development.



Nursery Physical Development



EYFS have continued to work with a partner in PD. The mini parachute was a favourite as they children worked in pairs to try and shoot the ball in the air and catch it again.

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Early Years Foundation Stage and Key Stage 1

It has been wonderful to welcome our families in school to explore the Reception classroom and choose a book to read with their children. Families enjoyed taking a book from our Lending Library to enjoy at home!



This week, Year Two have been inspired by their Literacy text, 'The Dot'. They have created squiggle pictures that reflect the character added some wonderful colour to their creations. They worked on the art skill based on 'colouring within the lines'.

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

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LKS2



This week, Year 3 have been creating trees using ink and straws. They experimented with ink first, before creating their final piece. We then reflected and added detail using colouring pencils. The trees turned out amazing!

UKS2

This week, Year 5 have been continuing their artwork on the theme of space. They looked at the work of Henri Matisse and the collage art style. They practised making collages using shapes then moved on to sketching a piece of chondrite and using the collage style to make colourful images resembling the space rocks.



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