

THE WEEKLY BULLETIN

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR THE WEEK AHEAD

DATE: FRIDAY 22ND MAY 2026



A very happy Friday to you all!

It has been an incredibly busy half term, so we are all very glad to reach the end of the half term. Currently, the weather is looking like it could be glorious next week, so we hope that it continues that way. The final half term of the academic year is always incredibly busy so it's important you check the key dates and make sure they're in your calendar. We have so many parents telling us 'they didn't know' about an event, but the dates have been on the bulletin every week since July. When we return, KS2 have their sports day where, we hope, the weather will still be glorious. It's important that the children wear a t-shirt that represents their house colour. Years 5 and 6 will go on their residential in Week 2 - a couple of days full of fun activities and teamwork. Please ensure you check the kit list for what you need to bring. And finally, please can all parents make sure you check the summer uniform and check your child's clothes to make sure they are wearing appropriate clothing and footwear. Sadly, there have been some lapses in this and it's important that all our children represent the school correctly.

A message from your teachers

Class	Teachers	Message from your teachers
Nursery	Mrs Khan, Mrs Muhsen & Mrs Baxter	Nursery, you have been brilliant again! You've loved our under the sea exploration, and were able to explain which sea creatures you loved in our literacy lessons. Our caterpillars have now formed into their chrysalis and Mrs Muhsen is going to take them home and look after them over the half term holiday. Hopefully, they'll be butterflies for you to see when you return.
Reception	Mrs Shaw, Miss Humphries & Mrs Kalsi	It has been a busy week in Reception! In class we have been recapping our Phase 3 Phonic sounds and we have been encouraging the children to write their own simple sentences and captions for their pictures, using known letter sounds. In Art this week, the children have been using oil pastels to create their own Sunflower pictures. Please read with your child every night and complete their weekly phonics homework.
Year 1	Miss Mapother & Mrs Jones	Well done on a great week and half term Year 1, you have been amazing, please keep reading and practicing your phonics at home over the break. Have a good break
Year 2	Miss Elliot & Mrs Barnett	Year 2 have had a fantastic week full of enthusiasm and excellent learning. They especially enjoyed the Opera Music Workshop on Thursday, where they loved exploring music, singing, and performance together! Have a great weekend 😊
Year 3	Mr Galligan & Mrs Deocades	Wow! What a fantastic day Year 3 had at Warwick Castle on Tuesday. The children were excellent, and we could not be prouder of them. They took part in a wonderful Norman tour, enjoyed the incredible birds of prey show, and explored the castle grounds both inside and out. It really was a pleasure to see. Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I hope the children were just as excited when they got home (and exhausted!) as I was.
Year 4	Mrs Mohan, Mrs Hickman & Miss Plant	Well done for a great half-term! We hope you have a wonderful break, but please also remember to continue practising your times tables with the upcoming Multiplication Tables Test in the first 2 weeks of June. We've been practising lots in school and it's clear lots of children have been busy practising at home from the fantastic progress that they've made - well done, keep it up! Please either use Maths Frame or Soundcheck on TTRS for a mock version of the test! https://mathsframe.co.uk/en/resources/resource/477/Multiplication-Tables-Check
Year 5	Mrs Hensman, Mrs Edgington & Mrs Finnegan	Well done to Year 5 this week for a fantastic end to the half term. They've thoroughly enjoyed their forest school sessions (which will continue after half term) and have begun a new unit of work in writing, learning all about coral reefs. Not only this, but they were treated to an opera workshop yesterday, where they were amazed at the volume and pitch that the opera teacher could sing. Well done year 5!
Year 6	Mr McNamara, Mr Clewer & Mr Lahert	Well done to year 6 on a fantastic half term! The children have shown real dedication and commitment to their learning through this tricky 6-week school term. SATs was a hurdle they overcame with amazing strength and resilience and the year 6 team couldn't be prouder. Bring back your thinking caps for next term and have a wonderful break.

Important information for the week ahead

Monday 1 st June	Tuesday 2 nd June	Wednesday 3 rd June	Thursday 4 th June	Friday 5 th June
Year 6 Tales Together 3.15pm in the hall	KS2 Sports Day starts at 12.15pm. Children will return to school at approx 3.30pm. Please be mindful that we have to travel from Solihull, so we may be a little late	Whole School Mass 10am in the church (TBC)	Year Group Photos Please ensure the children are in full school uniform Year 5 Tales Together 3.15pm in the hall	Celebration Assembly in the hall 8.45am



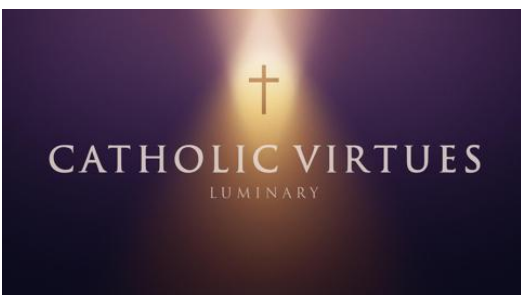
As we come to the end of the Spring term, it's time to celebrate those children that have lit the way for everyone else in the class. Each teacher has thought about who has demonstrated the class wish and the catholic virtues for this half term. The luminaries for the second Spring term are below:



Class Wish Luminaries

At the beginning of the year, the children decide what they want their class wish to be. The following children have been shining examples of this class wish. Well done to all the children!

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Presley	Divine	Kiki	Aidan	Isabella	Alfie	Layla	Ezamay



Catholic Virtues Luminaries

Our Catholic Virtues for this half term have been **Grateful and Generous**. These virtues represent the ability to kindly share what you have, appreciating what is given to you and thinking about other's needs as well as your own.

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Tobias	Zion	Natarlia	Jayden B	Ivanna	Elizabeth	Valentina	Andrew

After School Clubs – Summer 2



We are delighted to announce that our sports after-school clubs will be back in full swing next half term in **Week 3!** Letters will go out next week, so please ensure you sign them and return them as soon as possible, to ensure your child is on the list.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Football (Years 3, 4 & 5)	KS1 Fundamental skills	Mixed Ball Skills (Years 1 – 6)	KS2 Tennis and Badminton
Year 6 Booster	Lighthouse Group		Choir

Important – due to the Year 5 and 6 Residential taking place in week 2 of next half term, along with sports days in week 1, the after school clubs will begin in Week 3. Please make sure you make a note of this date change on your calendar!

Lighthouse Group will not take place in Week 2.

Coming up in weeks 1 and 2 of Summer 2...



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Please remember your child needs to wear a t-shirt in the colour of their house team.



Please remember to check the kit list that has been sent home.



Please practise phonics with your child on a daily basis.

Catholic Life at St Rose

Pentecost

On Sunday, we celebrate Pentecost – the time when Jesus sent his helper, the Holy Spirit, to the disciples to enable them to continue spreading the good news. For us, this is an opportunity to reflect on how our faith is lived out in everyday life through our service and compassion towards others.



Come Holy Spirit,

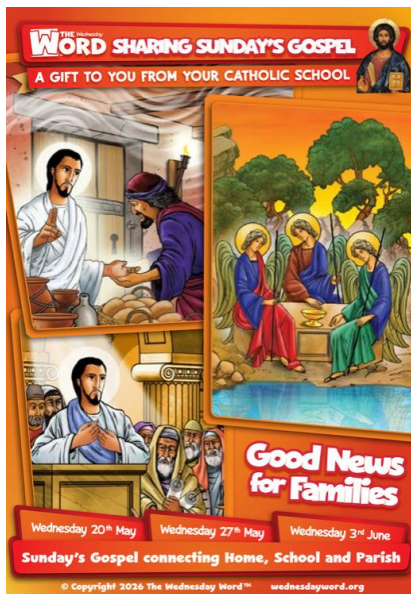
Fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of
your love.

Send forth your Spirit, and they
shall be created. And you shall
renew the face of the earth.

Amen

Wednesday Word

Please click on the image below to access this week's Wednesday Word. This version covers the next 3 weeks



Prayers to say with your children during the month of May

Hail Mary

The Rosary
Magnificat

Hail Holy Queen
The Memorare

Prayer focus for Summer 1

This half term, our prayer focus is Pope Francis' Five Finger prayer.

This is a beautiful way for the children to understand about praying for others before themselves.



Our Lady & St Rose of Lima Parish Church News

EUCCHARISTIC PROCESSION
CORPUS CHRISTI -
STARTING AT REDNAL
7TH JUNE 2.30 PM



Corpus Christi

JOIN US AND OUR
"MISSION" PARISHES AS
WE PROCESS IN CONVDY
IN CARS WITH OUR LORD
AND VISIT ALL FIVE
PARISH CHURCHES
FINISHING AT BARTLEY
GREEN

A date for
your diary

Sunday
19th July

At St
Peters



Annual
Parish
BBQ



Parish Newsletter

[Click here for the full parish newsletter](#)



Sunday Mass Times

8.45am:

Mass at St Peters

11.30am:

Mass at St Rose

Attendance at St Rose

Well done to Year 5 for having the highest attendance last week!

Here is the attendance for Summer 1 Week 5

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
93.1%	93.4%	96%	97.3%	98%	96.7%	99.3%	97.7%

Every day matters

For your child to make the progress they deserve, they need to be in school.

As a school, this is something we monitor closely and is a high priority for us each academic year. Whilst odd days off may not seem significant, they do impact your child's learning. **Unless your child is really poorly, please ensure they are in school and ready to learn.** This will give your child the best chance of achieving their full potential.

ATTENDANCE

Why is it so important?



Children are required by law to attend school 190 days per year. The government states that every child's attendance should be at least 95%.

HOW DO YOU MEASURE UP?

Attendance	Days Absent	Weeks Absent	Lessons Absent
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons
75%	48 days	10 weeks	250 lessons
70%	57 days	11.5 weeks	290 lessons
65%	67 days	13.5 weeks	340 lessons

Punctuality

Being on time for school is crucial for your child!

If your child is late, this will affect their overall attendance and results in them missing some key tasks that will help them practise skills they have been taught in their lessons.

- Our school day starts at 8.30am.
- The registers are taken at 8.40am.
- Anyone arriving after 8.40am is classed as late.

If your child arrives after this time, they will already have missed some crucial work in the morning.

Please allow sufficient time to get to school so that your child can get the best start to their school day!



Don't be late like the White Rabbit - be on time each day!

Our school day

Gates open at 8.25am
School starts at 8.30am
Registers close at 8.40am

EYFS school day finishes at 3.20pm
All other children finish at 3.30pm
Friday - school finishes at 1.00pm

Important Information



Do you have any board games at home that aren't played with anymore?

If you have any complete games, that you would like to donate to school, please bring them to the office. Thank you!

healthy lunchboxes and snacks

We are seeing a number of children come to school with food that is unhealthy and inappropriate for school. Children should not have sugary treats or drinks and food should have any bones removed before arriving in school.

A healthy lunch should contain carbs, a source of protein, fruit, calcium and a healthy drink!



IMPORTANT!

If your child has sickness or diarrhoea, they must stay away from school for 48 hours AFTER the last episode of sickness or diarrhoea.

This is crucial to ensure any bugs do not spread to other children or staff members. If you bring your child back sooner, we will have to call you to collect them.



Year 1 Stay and Pray

The Year 1 Stay and Pray takes place on Thursday 11th June at 8.45am in the hall.

Please come and join the children for some time in prayer.



We would like to remind all families of the importance of ensuring that children attend school always wear the correct school uniform.

Wearing the appropriate uniform helps promote a sense of pride, belonging and consistency across the school community.



SUMMER SCHOOL UNIFORM

As we move into the warmer weather, please ensure that children are dressed in the correct summer uniform. In particular:

- Blue gingham summer dresses with shorts underneath (these can be cycling shorts)
- Shorts worn to school must be plain black / grey school shorts. Cycling shorts, sports shorts or very short shorts are not permitted.
- Plain black trainers must be always worn. Trainers with coloured logos, soles or markings are not part of the school uniform.

The full version of the school uniform policy can be found on our website by [clicking here](#).



HAIR

We would also like to remind parents of the school expectations regarding hairstyles:

- All long hair should be tied back using plain hair accessories only.
- Hairstyles should be smart and appropriate for school.
- Extreme styles, patterns shaved into hair, brightly coloured hair or elaborate accessories are not permitted.



JEWELLERY

- Children may wear a watch and small stud earrings only.
- Other jewellery should not be worn in school for health and safety reasons.
- Nail varnish should not be worn in school.



Tales Together

Join us for Story Time in the School Hall!

Come and enjoy a story session with your child!

Twice per half-term, each class will share their end-of-day story in the hall, and parents and carers are invited to join us! ✨

EYFS
3:00pm



KS1 & KS2
3:15pm



Sessions will last 15 minutes

Come along, relax and enjoy a story with your child!

Check the timetable below for your class dates:

Tales Together Timetable

Class	Date	Time
Year 6	Tuesday 14 th April & Tuesday 5 th May	3:15 - 3:30pm
Year 5	Thursday 16 th April & Monday 11 th May	3:15 - 3:30pm
Year 4	Monday 20 th April & Tuesday 12 th May	3:15 - 3:30pm
Year 3	Tuesday 21 st April & Monday 18 th May	3:15 - 3:30pm
Year 2	Thursday 23 rd April & Thursday 14 th May	3:15 - 3:30pm
Year 1	Monday 27 th April & Tuesday 19 th May	3:15 - 3:30pm
Reception	Tuesday 28 th April & Thursday 21 st May	3:00 - 3:15pm
Nursery	Thursday 30 th April	3:00 - 3:15pm

We look forward to seeing you there!

Let's share the magic of reading! ✨

Reminders will be sent out via text and bulletin!

Keeping your child safe online

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about SHARING PHOTOS ONLINE

School is often a time chock-full of milestones for your child, and you may well be eager to share their accomplishments with the world. In today's digital age, sharing images of such precious moments on social media is commonplace, and – while that's a lovely thing to do – it does come with some risks attached. Our guide can help parents and carers to consider the potential dangers and make informed choices about safely sharing photos of their children online.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

INVASIONS OF PRIVACY

Even with the right settings in place, absolutely nothing online is 100% private. Anyone who can view your photos could take screenshots and potentially share them elsewhere. Privacy settings are still important, though, so it's always wise to ensure your social media accounts have them set up; just bear in mind that you can't completely control what happens to anything once it's gone online.

REVEALING PERSONAL DETAILS

Small details in photos can often reveal personal information. Backgrounds can give clues to where you live, for example, while school logos on uniforms, sports kits, or bags could help someone identify which school your child attends. With interactive maps and reverse image searches commonplace online, information like this could easily be misused by an individual with malicious intentions.

MISUSE OF IMAGES

Once something's been shared online, it's almost impossible to get it deleted. Photos can show up in search engine results and be downloaded, manipulated, and shared without consent. There's the potential for someone's images to be used for advertising purposes (which in many cases, isn't illegal) or even more inappropriate reasons, such as cyber-bullying or serious forms of exploitation.

ONLINE GROOMING

Pictures that convey details about your child's interests, activities, or daily routines could arm an online predator with the kind of information they can deploy to gain a child's trust. They might use this knowledge to pretend to be the same age as the child or to have a shared hobby. Essentially, the more a predator knows about a young person, the easier it is for them to invent some 'common ground'.

PRESSURE TO PLEASE

When their parents or carers share notable moments and accomplishments in a child's life on social media, some children may begin to feel an expectation to always meet certain standards, to achieve things, or to behave in ways that are "worth sharing". Knowing that other people (even friends and family) can see these posts on social media might also add to the pressure they're feeling internally.

IMPACT ON DIGITAL FOOTPRINT

Every photo of a child posted online contributes to their digital footprint. Young people's lives have never been so closely and publicly documented as they are now, and this permanent online presence could affect a child's future opportunities or the choices they make as they grow up – in addition to influencing how they see themselves and, consequently, their emotional wellbeing.

Advice for Parents & Carers

REVIEW SETTINGS REGULARLY

Make sure your social media's secure in terms of who can view your content or see your location (only family and trusted friends, for example). Privacy settings aren't totally foolproof, but they do make it tougher for strangers to access your pics. Reviewing your settings regularly is also a good starting point for conversations with your child about managing their own social accounts when they're older.

CONSIDER OTHER CHILDREN

When taking a group photo, make sure you get parents' or carers' permission to share it on social media. There may be an important safeguarding reason for them not wanting their child's photo posted publicly online, or it might simply not tally with their personal beliefs or cultural background. A quick conversation in advance, just to make sure, is usually hugely appreciated.

CHECK YOUR PHOTOS

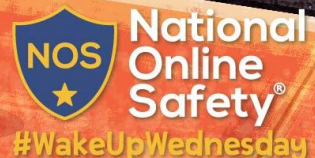
Photos of your child shouldn't provide any clues to where they live or go to school: even a house number, street name, or car number plate could be a giveaway. Cover up or blur out school logos, too. If you really want to share a particular pic, you could post a watermarked or low-res version, which can help to discourage misuse as those images are less appealing to download or reproduce.

THINK AHEAD

Try to consider the longer-term implications of what you post. Would you be happy with that photo being online in 10 years' time? Would your child still be OK with the image when they're older? Once your child is mature enough, you could ask for their consent before posting: it respects their privacy, fosters trust and understanding, and helps them to start thinking about their own online life.

Meet Our Expert

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Summer Term Key Dates

April

Tuesday 14th April

- Children return to school at 8.30am

Wednesday 22nd April

- Year 2 Trip to Mount Pleasant Farm

Thursday 23rd April

- Reception Trip to Lamworth Castle
- Year 3 Stay and Pray

Thursday 30th April

- Year 4 Stay and Pray

Test Dates

- KS2 SATs: 11th - 14th May
- KS1 SATs: Throughout May
- Year 1 Phonics: w/c 8th June
- Year 4 Multiplication: w/c 1st June

Years 1 & 2 Swimming



Monday 13th - Friday 17th April AND
Monday 20th - Friday 24th April

May

Monday 4th May

- Bank Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED

Thursday 7th May

- Election Day - SCHOOL CLOSED

Thursday 14th May

- Year 4 Trip to Botanical Gardens
- Year 5 Stay and Pray

Tuesday 21st May

- Year 6 Trip to Warwick Castle

Thursday 28th May

- Year 2 Stay and Pray

Friday 22nd May

- Children break up at 1pm

Summer Fair



Thursday 9th July
ADVANCE NOTICE

School will close at 3pm to allow all the staff to run stalls at the Summer Fair

June

Monday 1st June

- Children return to school at 8.30am

Tuesday 2nd June

- KS2 Sports Day (TBC)

Monday 8th - Wednesday 10th June

- Year 5 & 6 Residential to Alton Castle

Thursday 11th June

- Year 1 Stay and Pray

Thursday 18th June

- Nursery Trip to Ash End Farm
- Reception Stay and Pray

July

Wednesday 1st July

- Transition Day

Thursday 2nd July

- Nursery Stay and Pray

Monday 6th - Friday 10th July

- Healthy Living Week

Wednesday 8th July

- Charity Day

Thursday 9th July

- EYFS Sports Day 9.00 - 10.00am
- KS1 Sports Day 10.30 - 11.30am
- Summer Fair 3.00 - 4.30pm

Wednesday 15th July

- Year 6 Leaver's Mass (TBC)

Thursday 16th July

- Year 6 Leaver's Performance 2.00pm

Friday 17th July

- Children break up at 1pm