Learning and loving with Christ as our teacher

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL & NURSERY

NEWSLETTER

SEPTEMBER 2025

Dear God,
Thank you for everything in life. Please help us to be kind to each other. God help us to be a good example to the younger children and help those who really need support. We thank God for our friends and families.
Amen
Written by Ayomide & Joseph



October Dates

Date	Event
1st Half Term	Year 5 Swimming
Wednesday 1st October	St Therese's Class (Yr 2) wear their own clothes to celebrate feast day. We ask for a £1 donation towards the class charity via the School Gateway.
Friday 3rd October	St Francis' class (Reception) wear own clothes to celebrate feast day – feast day is on Saturday 4th October. We ask for a £1 donation towards the class charity via the School Gateway.
Wednesday 8th October	Harvest Liturgy in Church – Year 5 to lead – 10:30am
Thursday 16th October	Parent Book look – 3:30pm – 4pm
Friday 17th October	Year 6 to St Michael's School One World
Friday 24th October	Inset Day
Monday 27th October – Friday 31st October	Half Term

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been a joyful start to the new school year, and I am delighted to see how quickly the children have settled into their new classes. Their hard work, enthusiasm, and positive attitude towards learning are already shining through.

I am also very pleased to share some wonderful news — Miss Long has welcomed a beautiful baby girl, Elodie. We send her and her family our heartfelt congratulations.

It was lovely to see so many of you at Mass during the first week of term. Your presence made the occasion truly special for both the children and staff. We look forward to coming together again on Wednesday, 8th October, when we will gather in Church to celebrate our Harvest Festival. We warmly invite you to join us for this important event in our school calendar.



Warm regards,
Mrs. Smith

ST ALPHONSA'S FEAST DAY

St Alphonsa's feast day fell on 28th July, during the school holidays. To mark the occasion, Year 4 celebrated together on Thursday 11th September. The children came to school in their own clothes, spent time learning about St Alphonsa's life, and gathered for a special collective worship.

St Alphonsa was a religious sister and teacher from India. Born into a devout Catholic family, she was the fourth of five children in a poor farming household. At the age of 18, she entered the Franciscan Clarist convent and took the name Sister Alphonsa. Although she faced many challenges and much suffering in her life, she remained faithful to her vocation and dedicated herself wholeheartedly to serving others.

Dear God,
Thank you for our wonderful class name Saint Alphonsa. We would love you to look after us and protect us. Help us to grow in our faith so that we can be like our class saint.
Amen
Written by Gus & Miriam



Dear God,
Take care of us and watch over us. Help us to learn from Saint Alphonsa how to show patience and to take care of others.
Amen
Written by Isla



Dear Loving Lord,
We show our love for St Alphonsa by being kind and respectful to our wonderful class family. Please help us to be the best we can be and show our respect for others.
Amen
Written by Sadie & Rose





Dear God,
Help us to be more like St Aphonsa. Help us to help others the way she did.
Amen
Written by Lottie



Dear God,
Thank you for our class saint. Please guide us and help us this year. Help us to learn about St Alphonsa and to follow her example.
Amen
Written by Mia



Dear God,
Thank you for our class saint. Saint Alphonsa never gave up when things got tough. She never gave up on teaching, patience and her faith. Please guide and help us to learn from St Alphonsa.
Amen
Written by Aiobha



Dear God,
We are blessed for our class and our friends. Thank you for St Alphonsa and that she is our class saint.
Amen
Written by Elida & Leo



MUD KITCHEN/ OUTSIDE ROLE-PLAY

YEAR 6 CRUCIAL CREW TRIP

On Monday 15th September, Year 6 visited Crucial Crew in Borehamwood, where they took part in a series of interactive safety workshops. The sessions were run by a range of agencies, including Hertfordshire Constabulary, Hertfordshire Fire & Rescue Service, and the School Nursing team.
The children learned about many important issues such as personal safety, internet safety, staying safe online, fire safety, healthy relationships, and ways to promote health and wellbeing. Their behaviour throughout the visit was exemplary, and staff at the centre praised them for their maturity and engagement. Well done to Year 6 for being such brilliant ambassadors for our school.

Here are some of the children's accounts of the trip:

"Yesterday, we went on a coach to a workshop with 'Crucial Crew.' This taught us how to stay safe. I learnt that if we have a concern or worry, I can speak to one of my safe adults in school. I can also put a note in the Worry Box."
Written by Daniel

"Yesterday, after lunch, we went to Borehamwood to have a workshop with the 'Crucial Crew.' This taught us how to keep safe in our everyday lives.
Some of the things I learnt were that:

- Hertfordshire is the 6th safest county in the UK out of 48;
- Do not put your hot hairdryer on your bed in case of a fire."

Written by Orla

"Yesterday, we had a school trip with 'Crucial Crew.' This taught us how to keep safe. I learnt how to do CPR and how to check smoke alarms at home."
Written by Ciara



Child Safety Media

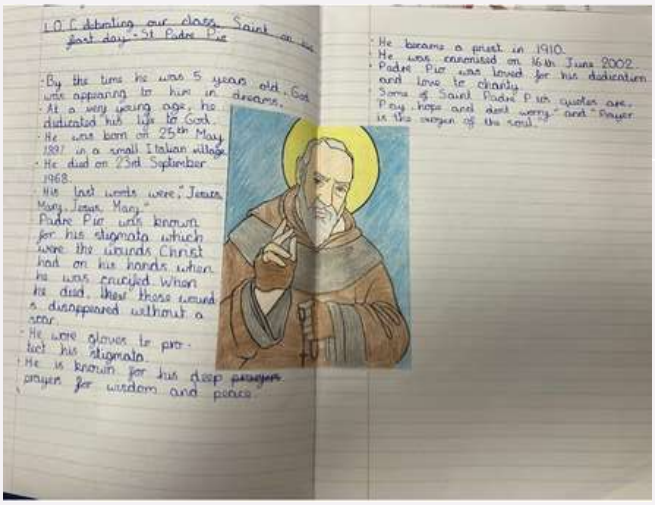
ST PADRE PIO FEAST DAY

On Tuesday 23rd September, Year 5/6 celebrated their class feast day with joy and reverence. The children arrived dressed in their own clothes, making the day feel extra special. Together, they learnt about Padre Pio, the saint chosen as their class patron, and gathered for a beautiful time of worship.

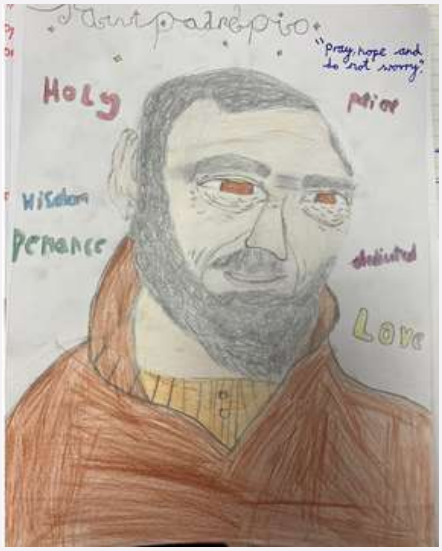
During the day, the children discovered many inspiring facts about Padre Pio. He was born in Italy in 1887 and became a Capuchin friar. Padre Pio was known for his deep prayer life and devotion to God. He spent long hours each day praying and helping people to grow in their faith. Many came to him for advice, comfort, and healing. He also carried the stigmata – the wounds of Jesus – which made him a powerful witness to Christ's suffering and love.

From his life, Year 5/6 learnt about the importance of prayer, kindness, and trust in God, even when times are difficult. Padre Pio often reminded people to "pray, hope and don't worry," a message that continues to inspire us today.

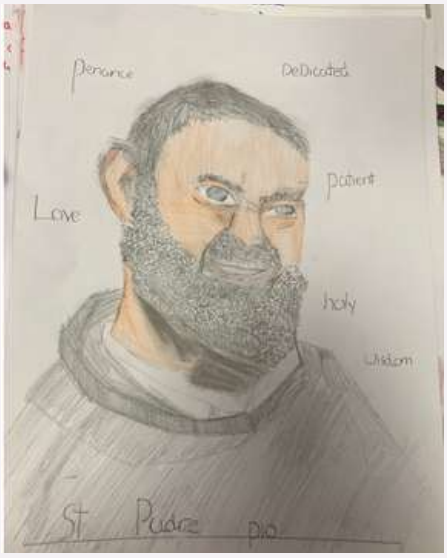
The children's feast day was a wonderful opportunity not only to celebrate together but also to deepen their understanding of their class saint and how his example can guide their own lives.











Summer Work

Over the summer, we continued our exciting programme of improvements around the school. Using school funds, we completely renovated the Year 3 classroom – it now looks fantastic! We also upgraded our Wi-Fi to fibre optic, which will make a big difference to learning across the school.

A huge thank you to FOSH for organising so many wonderful fundraising events last year, and to everyone who came along to support them. The money raised is being put towards replacing our pirate ship and repairing the Infant Climbing Frame. Although these couldn't be completed during the summer holidays, the work is scheduled for later this term.

We would also like to thank everyone who contributed to our Governor's Fund. Last year, your donations helped us to upgrade our fire alarm and detection system, as well as install new fire doors and external doors. This year, the fund will support much-needed drainage work around the site.

We are hugely grateful for your continued support, which helps us to create the very best environment for your children to learn and thrive.











SPOTLIGHT ON RE

Class Saints

Each class in our school has a special saint dedicated to their year group. These saints are wonderful role models, and the children will spend time learning about their lives, their example, and how they can help us grow closer to Christ.

As part of our Enrichment Units, every class begins the school year by exploring the story of their Class Saint. They also look forward to celebrating their Saint's feast day together.

As the children move through the school, they discover more saints and begin to make important connections between Gospel stories, the lives of the saints, and how they can follow these examples in their own daily lives.

You can learn about these on the class pages on our website - Class Pages

RE Curriculum

This year all classes are fully following the new RED - Religious Education Directory. Below is what they are learning this term.

Phase	Autumn 1 - Branch 1 Creation & Covenant	Autumn 2
Phase EYFS	God made our world. God made me Genesis 1	The Christmas Story Luke 1 - 2
Phase 1/2	The creation story God the Creator & Father of all God our Father loves us Caring for Creation Prayer - talking to God The Creed Gen. 1, 24 – 26	The Christmas Story God sent his Son because He loves us – Jesus is God made visible Mary – Jesus's mother The Bible The Hail Mary Luke 1 – 2
Phase 3/4	Revisit the Creation story- use of symbolism to explain the relationship between God, humans & the world The 'holy' day The Holy Trinity Gen 1 -2	Why Christians go to Mass What happens at Mass The Nativity Story Is. 1, Matt 1, Lk 1
Phase 5/6	Story of Moses – the burning bush, Sinai covenant & 10 Commandments Jesus' summary of the Law Covenant – binding agreement between God & people Jesus teaching – Love God & love your neighbour Ex 3, 19, 20, Matt 22	The life and story of David Jesus fulfils the promises made to David. Joyful mysteries of the Rosary 1 Sam. 16,17, 2 Sam 5, 7, 1 kings 2, Psalm 21, 23

Mission Statement, Aims & Values

Our mission statement is 'Loving and learning with Christ as our teacher.' We live this out in everything we do at school and it is underpinned by our core aims which are for the pupils to be:

Disciples of Christ
Ready to learn
Secondary Ready

To help these three core aims we focus on Catholic Social Teaching, our LEARNER acronym and British Values.

Catholic Social Teaching:

Catholic Social Teaching (CST) is rooted in Scripture, guided by the wisdom of the Church, and inspired by the actions of people working for justice around the world. It is often described as our moral compass – showing us how to live out our faith in everyday life.

At the heart of CST is the call to love God and to love our neighbour, especially those most in need. By following the example of Christ, we are reminded of our mission to bring God's justice, love and peace into our world.

This half term, our focus is on Care of Creation. As Christians, we are called to be good stewards of God's world – looking after the earth and leaving it in a better condition for future generations.

To support your children at home, you might like to explore together:

- World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation (1st September)
- COP27 Climate Conference (from 7th November)

"Creation is a gift, it is a wonderful gift that God has given us, so that we care for it and we use it for the benefit of all." – Pope Francis, Laudato Si





Last year, our amazing ECO Ambassadors worked hard to care for our school and the wider environment. They organised a Christmas Jumper Swap, led litter-picking sessions around the school grounds, and continued growing fruit and vegetables. A huge well done to our ECO Ambassadors, and a big thank you to Ms Leavens for supporting and guiding them in this important work.

As part of our Catholic Social Teaching, we remind pupils of the importance of serving others and promoting social justice. By taking part in acts of service and speaking up for those in need, our pupils begin to understand that they can make a real difference in the world.

Every child in our school has an important role to play in living out our faith and standing up for justice. Together, we are activists for positive change – answering Pope Francis's call to be Missionary Disciples of Christ.

Here a few of their jobs they have around school:

Year Group	Catholic Social Teaching
Phase EYFS	Gardening Leaders
Phase 1/2	Playtime Equipment Leaders
Phase 3/4	Library Leaders
Year 5	Caritas Ambassadors
Year 6	Play Leaders & Reception Buddies

There are also a number of other jobs that the children do:

Chaplaincy Team:
House Captains
Class Apostles
Caritas Ambassador Leaders
ECO Ambassadors
Prayer Leaders

Other Leadership roles:
Digital Leaders
Milk Monitors
Book Monitors
Classroom Library Monitors
Tidy Up Monitors
Line Monitors
Sports Leaders

💖 **Living Out Catholic Social Teaching at Sacred Heart** 💖
At Sacred Heart, we strive to help every child recognise their important role in continuing Christ's mission. Through the Catholic Social Teachings, we are called to work together for a better, fairer, and more just world.
Our Caritas Ambassadors lead the way in school. They put their faith into action through charitable works, caring for the environment as stewards of creation, and promoting love for their neighbours so that all people may live in peace and dignity.
We encourage all our children to ask: What can I do to make a positive difference to others?

This half term, our Caritas Ambassadors will be:

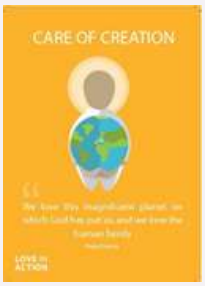
- Supporting the Macmillan Cake Sale at our parish centre 🍰
- Leading the Harvest Food Collection 🌾
- Promoting Mary's Meals, a charity close to our school's heart 💙

🙏 A Prayer for Creation 🙏
Loving God,
We come together to thank you for our world.
You created the Earth for us to live and prosper in.
You taught us how to care for creation, yet we have not always followed your ways.
Help us to give thanks for the joy our world brings us,
and guide us to become good stewards of creation.
Amen.









Phase Prayers

Prayer and liturgy are integral components of the religious and spiritual life of our school.

Prayer and liturgy serve to foster a sense of faith, community, and reverence for God. They provide opportunities for our pupils to engage in worship, deepen their understanding of Catholic traditions, and develop a personal relationship with God within the context of their education.

Pupils are taught different prayers in each phase. These prayers are in line with the prayers in The Prayer & Liturgy Directory for Catholic schools.

Nursery	Learn to sing/say morning, end of day prayer & grace before meals. Bless themselves making the sign of the cross
Reception	Continuing building on Nursery & introducing above to new children. Learning to focus their prayer in a spontaneous way- giving thanks and praise -praying for friends & family. Learn traditional Prayer -Our Father Responses at Mass – And with your Spirit. Greet the Gospel- Alleluia
Phase 1 / 2	Continuing building on Reception & introducing above to new children Learning to make up their own prayers. Learn traditional prayer - Hail Mary. Responses at mass- Lord have mercy- Christ have mercy Glory Be. Grace before and after meals. Introduce simple scripture verses to help the children use them as a way of praying. Prayers at Mass- Prayers of intercession [Lord in your mercy- Hear our prayer].
Phase 3/4	Continuing building on Phase 1/2 & introducing above to new children Learning how to understand the examination of conscience as a positive way of showing our love for God and each other. The Apostles Creed Act of Contrition. Angel of God Come, Holy Spirit The Prayer of St Richard of Chichester Prayers at Mass- I confess, Lamb of God & Rite of dismal [Thanks be to God] Learning to use traditional methods of prayer and to adapt them to their needs e.g. Rosary and litanies.
Phase 5 / 6	Continuing building on Phase 3/4 & introducing above to new children Introduce images and symbols as a way into prayer using art, music, poetry and prose. Learn the traditional prayers Angelus. Introduce the concept of making our lives a prayer. Learning that everything that we do can be given to God. Morning Offering The Rosary The Magnificat Act of Faith Act of Hope Act of Love Eternal rest Stations of the Cross. Prayers at Mass- Creed & Offertory prayers, Holy Holy & Glory to God

Spotlight on Learning

Learner Acronym

This half term we are focusing on L.

L – Love
E – Engage
A – Articulate & Aspire
R - Respect
N – Nurture
E – Effort
R - Resilience

In assembly the pupils came up with the following ways to show love to each other:

💖 How We Can Show Love to Each Other at School 💖

1. Use Kind Words 🗣️
   - Say “thank you,” “well done,” or “you’re great!”
   - Encourage friends when they are finding something tricky.
2. Help & Share 🤝
   - Offer to help a friend with their work or a task.
   - Share toys, pencils, or books.
3. Listen & Care 👂💛
   - Pay attention when someone is talking.
   - Say “I understand how you feel” when a friend is upset.
4. Include Everyone 🌈
   - Invite others to join your games and activities.
   - Make sure nobody feels left out.
5. Respect Differences 🌍
   - Be kind to friends who are different from you.
   - Celebrate each other’s talents and ideas.
6. Say Sorry & Forgive 🙏
   - Say sorry if you hurt someone by accident.
   - Forgive friends so you can be happy together again.
7. Play Fairly ⚽
   - Take turns and follow the rules.
   - Give high-fives or thumbs up when friends do well.
8. Be There for Friends 🤗
   - Comfort someone who is sad.
   - Smile or say something kind when someone is lonely.

British Values

At Sacred Heart, we actively promote British values to help prepare our pupils for life in modern Britain. We encourage children to show respect and tolerance towards people of all faiths, races, and cultures, and to understand that while everyone may have different ideas about what is 'right' and 'wrong,' all people living in England are subject to its laws.

The key British values we focus on are:

Democracy
Rule of Law
Individual Liberty
Mutual Respect
Tolerance of those with different faiths, races, and cultures
This half term, our focus is Democracy.

Pupils experience this in school through:

Our House Captains and Class Apostles, who make up our school council.
Voting for Class Apostles to represent their class.
Taking part in debates and sharing their opinions.
Having their voices listened to by adults.
Meeting MPs and guest speakers.
Participating in mock elections.
Engaging with the UK Youth Parliament.
Through these activities, pupils learn the importance of making their voices heard, respecting others' views, and actively participating in a democratic society.

Secondary School Transfer Information

Secondary School admissions opened at the beginning of September and the closing date for all applications is 31st October 2025. We recommend that this is completed by Friday 17th October, so that if there are any queries, they can be dealt with ahead of the deadline.

Year 6 parents must complete the online form at www.hertsdirect.org/admissions and complete the school's Supplementary Information Form, which you can obtain from the school's website or during the school's Open Evenings.

Please note that all Catholic secondary schools require a Certificate of Catholic Practice, which can be obtained from your parish priest.

RE Parent Information



RE Newsletter

Please click on the link below to read the latest RE Newsletter.
www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/

Wednesday Word

The Primary School Wednesday Word is an online resource that allows you to reflect on the weekly Gospel. You can access this on the link below:
Wednesday Word

Mark 10 Mission

The Primary School produces weekly videos on the Sunday Gospel. These help children to experience the Word of God, pray and sing together. You can access these on the link below:
https://www.themark10mission.co.uk/

Sacred Heart Church Services

The weekend Mass times at the church are as follows:
Saturday - 6pm
Sunday - 8:30am, 10:30am, 6pm
There is a children's liturgy during the 10:30am Mass.



Parish Newsletter

You can access the parish newsletter on this link:
https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/bushey/weekly-newsletters/





Attendance and Punctuality Update

Since the pandemic, pupils' attendance has dramatically decreased across all schools. The government is introducing drastic measures to fight this issue. Starting on August 19th, 2024, the Department for Education (DfE) will introduce a new National Framework concerning Unauthorised Absence and Penalty Notices. Unauthorised Absence includes term-time holidays or any absence that has not been approved by the school. Please be aware that this is a nationwide policy that must be followed by all schools in England.

National Threshold

The National threshold for when a penalty notice is given is 10 sessions (5 school days) of unauthorised absence within a rolling 10-school-week period. These sessions do not have to be consecutive and can consist of any type of unauthorised absence. The 10-school-week period can span over different terms or school years.
The following changes will be put into effect:

First Offence

The first time a Penalty Notice is issued for term-time leave of absence or unauthorised absence, the amount will be:
• £160 per parent, per child paid within 28 days;
• reduced to £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.

Second Offence (within 3 years)

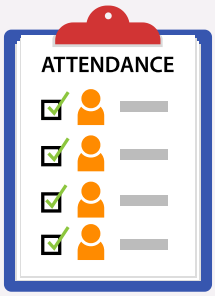
The Second time a Penalty Notice is issued for unauthorised absence, the amount will be:
• £160 per parent, per child within 28 days.

Third Offence and Any Further Offences (within 3 years)

The third time an offence is committed, a Penalty Notice will not be issued and the case will be presented straight to the Magistrate's Court.
• Prosecution can result in criminal records and fines up to £2,500.
• Cases found guilty in Magistrates' Court can show on the parent's future DBS certificate due to 'failure to safeguard a child's education'.

Please note that all of our pupils' attendance is regularly checked by Hertfordshire County Council Attendance Improvement Officers. Therefore, the school does not have any discretion regarding term-time holidays. Moreover, the school will have to adhere to the new National Framework.







Wellbeing

We are continuing to be part of the 'Smartphone-Free Childhood' campaign for schools with Bushey & Radlett Primary Schools.
We are doing this by raising awareness of the risks and issues smartphones pose and are asking all parents to delay giving their children phones at such an early age (primary years).
School staff and Family Support Workers often see the affects mobile phone usage can have in regards to a child's social skills, mental health, self-esteem and we encourage parents to have a tighter control.
No child from Nursery to Year 5 should bring a phone to school. If a Year 6 pupil is walking home and their parent feels they require a phone they may bring in a phone that can only send texts and make calls. These must be handed to the teacher. They cannot bring in a smartphone.
We thank you for your support with this.
Please see more information via the following link.
https://smartphonefreechildhood.co.uk

Pupil Premium Funding

In certain circumstances, schools are able to claim approximately £1,600 of extra funding per child for pupils whose parents are in receipt of various benefits. This funding is available to all eligible children in school, from Nursery to Year 6. The criteria are the same as they would be for applying for 'free school meals' in KS2. The money can be used to support anything that improves a child's enjoyment, wellbeing, achievement or attainment at school. The funding could be used to pay for 1:1 maths/literacy support and towards school trips.
If you think that you or your partner may be eligible to claim this extra money for your child please apply directly using the following website:

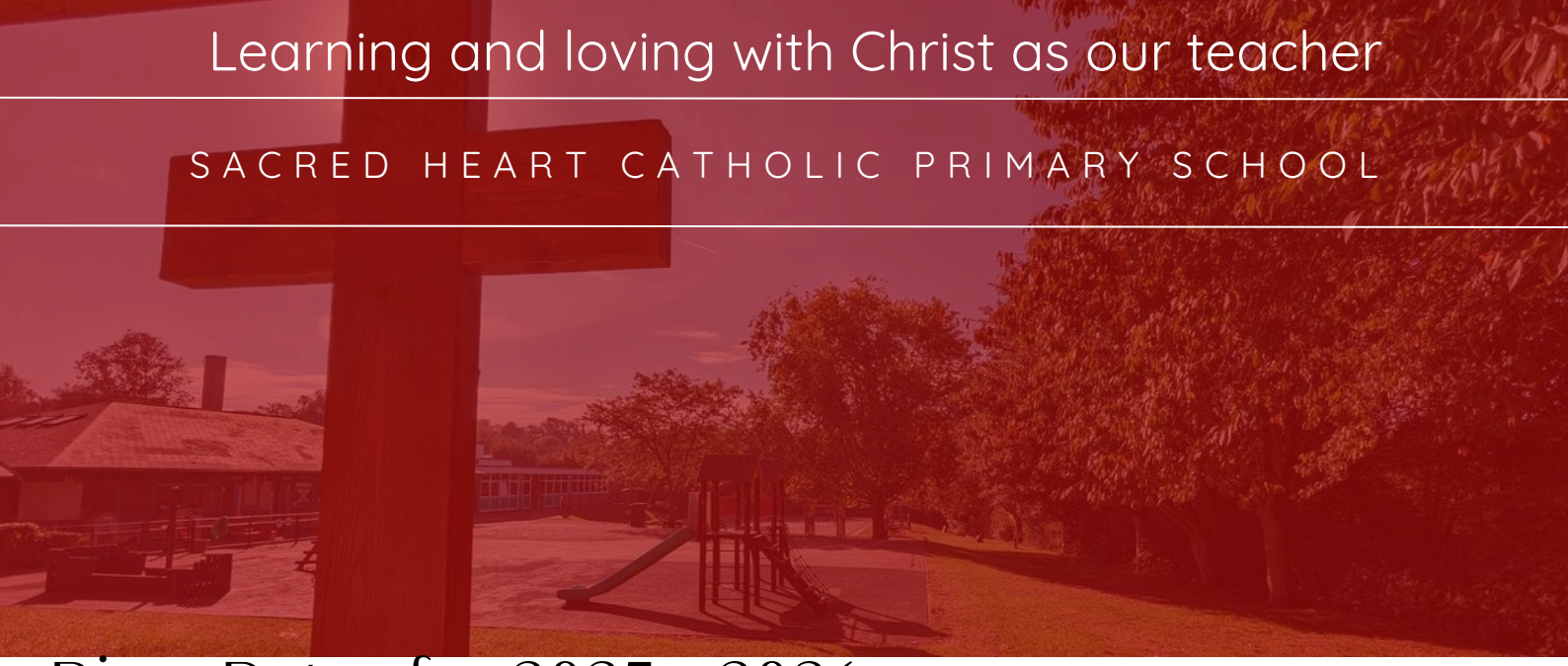
https://www.gov.uk/apply-free-school-meals

Once successfully applied for, this funding will remain in place each year that your child is with us. However, you will need to reapply for the funding when your child moves from Nursery to Infant and Infant to Juniors (when they leave Nursery to move to Reception and when they leave Year 2 to move into Year 3).
If you have any queries, please speak to the School Office in confidence.









Diary Dates for 2025 - 2026

Any changes are higlighted in yellow

Date	Event
1st Half Term	Year 5 Swimming
October	**Dedication to the Most Holy Rosary**
Wednesday 1st October	St Therese's Class (Yr 2) wear their own clothes to celebrate feast day. We ask for a £1 donation towards the class charity via the School Gateway.
Friday 3rd October	St Francis' class (Reception) wear own clothes to celebrate feast day – feast day is on Saturday 4th October. We ask for a £1 donation towards the class charity via the School Gateway.
Wednesday 8th October	Harvest Liturgy in Church – Year 5 to lead – 10:30am
Tuesday 14th October	AGM- The Rifle Volunteer Pub - 7:00pm start
2nd Half Term	Year 6 Swimming
November	**The Month of the Holy Souls**
Wk Beginning 3rd November	STEAM Week
Friday 7th November	Year 4 Year Group Mass – 9:15am in church
Friday 7th November	Year 5 Watford FC PE Lessons - pm
Saturday 8th November	School Fireworks - 6:00pm start
Wk Beginning 10th November	Anti-Bullying Week
Tuesday 11th November	Remembrance – 2 minute silence 11am
Tuesday 11th November	Vaccination UK Flu Immunisation 8:30am – 10am
Friday 14th November	Phase 5/6 Mass in Church – 9:15am



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Diary Dates for Autumn 2025

Date	Event
Tuesday 18th November	9:30 – 10:30 SENCO Drop Ins – If a parent would like to see the SENCO on this day, please contact the office and they will give you a time slot.
Friday 21st November	St Cecilia's Class (Yr 1/2) wear own clothes to celebrate feast day – feast day is on 22nd November. We ask for a £1 donation towards the class charity via the School Gateway.
Friday 28th November	Occasional Day – School closed
Advent	**Advent**
Monday 1st December	Non-Uniform day. To celebrate St Andrew's Day the children may wear blue, white or tartan clothes. We ask for a £1 donation towards the school funds via the School Gateway.
Saturday 6th December	Christmas Fair - 11:00am -2:00pm
Tuesday 9th December	Phase 1/2 (Years 1 and 2) Christmas Play – 9:15am in the hall – no younger siblings.
Wednesday 10th December	Phase 1/2 (Years 1 and 2) Christmas Play – 9:15am in the hall – younger siblings who are not school age are welcome.
Wednesday 10th December	Junior Advent Service – 10:45am in the Church
Thursday 11th December	From 1pm - Year 4 – 6 Reconciliation
Tuesday 16th December	EYFS Nativity – 9:15am in school
Wednesday 17th December	EYFS Nativity – 9:15am in school
Wednesday 17th December	Christmas Dinner
Thursday 18th December	Whole School trip to Pantomime
Friday 20th December	End of Term – school finishes 1:15pm

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Diary Dates for Spring 2026

Date	Event
Spring 1st Half	Year 5/6 Swimming
January	**Dedication to the Holy Name of Jesus**
Monday 5th January	Term Starts
Tuesday 6th January	Epiphany – Mass in Church – Year 4 to lead
Thursday 15th January	Year 6 Health Questionnaire
Thursday 22nd January	Parent Head's Forum – parent and carers are welcome
Friday 30th January	St John Bosco (Yr 6) wear own clothes to celebrate feast day – feast day on 31st January
Friday 30th January	1:30pm – Candlemas Liturgy in the hall – Candlemas is on 2nd February
February	**Month of the Holy Family**
Wk beginning 2nd February	Feeling Good Week & Children's Mental Health Week
Monday 2nd February	1:30pm – Electric Umbrella
Friday 6th February	NSPCC Number Day – Pupils come dressed linked to a number. We ask for £1 donation to the NSPCC. This can be made on Gateway.
Monday 9th February	St Josephine Bakhita Class (Year 5) wear their own clothes to celebrate feast day – feast day is on 8th February.
Tuesday 10th February	Internet Safety Day
Wednesday 11th February	9:15am - Year 6 Year Group Mass in Church

Diary Dates for Spring 2026 continued

Date	Event
Friday 13th February	Mardi Gras – official day is 17th February – children come to school dressed in purple, green and gold.
Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February	Half Term
Spring Term	Year 4 Swimming
Wednesday 25th February	9:30 – 10:30 SENCO Drop Ins – If a parent would like to see the SENCO on this day, please contact the office and they will give you a time slot.
Friday 27th February	Non-Uniform day. To celebrate St David's Day the children may wear red, white, green and yellow clothes. We ask for a £1 donation towards the school funds via the School Gateway.
March	**Lent**
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day – Children come to school dressed as a character from a book.
Wk Beginning 9th March	Parent Consultations – class dates to be confirmed
Wednesday 11th March – Friday 13th March	SPEC
Monday 16th March	Mothers' Day Assemblies
Tuesday 17th March	Non-Uniform day. To celebrate St Patrick's Day the children may wear green, white and orange clothes. We ask for a £1 donation towards the school funds via the School Gateway.
Wednesday 18th March	From 1pm Reconciliation – Yrs 4 - 6
Thursday 19th March	Lent Fundraising Day



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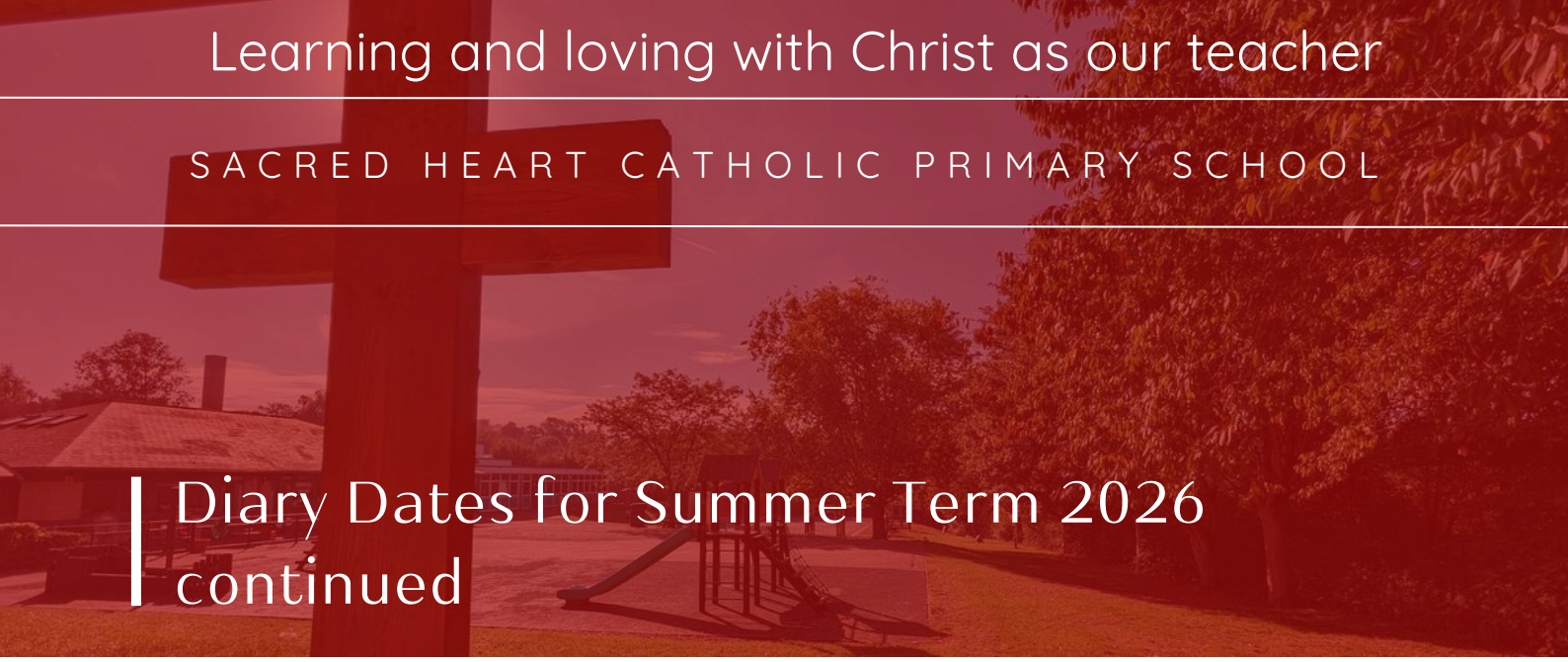
SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Diary Dates for Spring & Summer 2026

Date	Event
Tuesday 24th March	Phase 3/4 Lent Play – 9:15am
Wednesday 25th March	Phase 3/4 Lent Play – 9:15am
Thursday 26th March	Junior Lent Service – 10:30 in Church – lead by Year 5 and 6
Friday 27th March	Last day of term, Whole School Easter Bonnet Parade – school finishes 1:15pm

SUMMER TERM 2026

Date	Event
Summer 1st Half Term	Year 3/4 Swimming
April	**Lent/Eastertide**
Thursday 16th April	St Bernadette's Class (Yr 3) wear own clothes to celebrate feast day. We ask for a £1 donation towards the class charity via the School Gateway.
Friday 17th April	Beginning of Term Mass – 9:15 am in church – Year 3 to lead
Thursday 23rd April	Non-Uniform day. To celebrate St George's Day the children may wear red and white clothes. We ask for a £1 donation towards the school funds.
May	**Month of Mary**
Friday 1st May	St Joseph's Class (Reception) wear their own clothes to celebrate St Joseph's feast day. We ask for a £1 donation towards the class charity via the School Gateway.
Friday 1st May	Year 5 Year Group Mass in church
Monday 4th May	Bank Holiday



Diary Dates for Summer Term 2026 continued

Date	Event
Friday 8th May	Phase 1/2 Mass – 9:15am in Church
Wk Beginning 11th May	KS2 Sats
Monday 11th May	Sats – Grammar & Spelling Tests
Tuesday 12th May	Sats – Reading Test
Wednesday 13th May	Sats – Arithmetic and Reasoning Test
Thursday 14th May	Sats – Reasoning Test
Thursday 14th May	1:30pm in church Ascension Mass Yr 1 – Yr 6
Monday 18th May – Thursday 21st May	Year 6 trip to Longridge
Tuesday 19th May	Phase EYFS Sports Day 9 – 10:30 Phase 1/2 Sports Day 10:45 - 12
Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May	Half Term
Summer 2nd Half Term Half Term	Year 3 Swimming
June	**Month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus**
Monday 1st June	Inset Day
Wk beginning Monday 1st June	Multiplication Check
Tuesday 2nd June	Pupils Back



Diary Dates for Summer 2026 continued

Date	Events
Wednesday 3rd June	9:30 – 10:30 SENCO Drop Ins – If a parent would like to see the SENCO on this day, please contact the office and they will give you a time slot.
Wk Beginning 8th June	Multiplication Check & Phonics Screening Week
Monday 8th June – Friday 12th June	Yr 6 Bikeability - Queens
Friday 12th June	Sacred Heart Feast Day Mass for Years 1 – 6 in Church at 9:15am. Phase 1/2 to lead. Whole school picnic at 12pm to 1:pm on the school field.
Monday 15th June	St Anthony (Yr 1) wear their own clothes to celebrate their feast day – feast day is on 13th June. We ask for a £1 donation towards the class charity via the School Gateway.
Tuesday 16th June	Whole School Photo
Wednesday 17th June	Phase 3/4 Sports Day – 9 – 10:30 Phase 5/6 Sports Day – 10:45 – 12:15
Wk Beginning 22nd June	One World Week
Tuesday 23rd June	International Day – pupils may wear clothes/colours that represents their heritage
Monday 29th June	St Peter's Class (Yr3/4) wear their own clothes to celebrate feast day. We ask for a £1 donation towards the class charity via the School Gateway.
July	**Month of the Precious Blood of Jesus**
Wednesday 1st July	Phase 3/4 Mass in church at 9:15am



Diary Dates for Summer 2026 continued

Date	Events
Wednesday 1st July	Phase 5/6 Production – 6pm
Thursday 2nd July	Phase 5/6 Production – 6pm
Thursday 9th July	Transition Day
Tuesday 14th July	Sacred Heart Phase 5/6 Football Tournament
Wednesday 15th July	St Anne's class (Nursery) wear their own clothes to celebrate the feast day of St Anne which is on 26th
Friday 17th July	9:15am – Year 6 Leavers Mass in Church. School finishes 12:20pm for Years N, R, 1, 2. 12:30 Years 3,4,5 Yr 6 finish at 1pm