



St Gabriel's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

Thursday 8th May 2025

With Jesus Christ at the heart of our loving Catholic community

Dates for Diary



**Monday 12th –
Thursday 15th May**

KS2 SATS

Saturday 17th May

First Holy
Communion (Y3,
Sacred Heart)

Friday 13th June

Sacrament of
Confirmation (Y6,
Sacred Heart)

Monday 23rd June

INSET Day

Friday 27th June

Summer Fayre
(3.45 – 6pm)

Compassionate and Loving

Compassionate towards others, near and far, especially the less fortunate;
and **loving** by their just actions and forgiving words.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today (Thursday) we have marked the 80th anniversary of VE (Victory in Europe) Day at school. We gathered together this morning for a special assembly where we reflected on the significance and history of the date and prayed for all those people who were affected by World War Two and also for people around the world who are still affected by war and conflict today. We prayed with Pope Francis's words: 'Let us pray for peace: peace in the world and in each of our hearts.' At lunchtime, the children enjoyed a special VE Day themed meal!

Our Year Six children will be taking their KS2 SATs next week. Please do keep them in your prayers – they have all worked incredibly hard and shown great maturity as they have prepared for the tests. We are very proud of them. Thank you to all the staff, parents and families who have been involved in preparing and supporting our Year Six children.

God Bless

Mr Bright

Headteacher

Places available for Reception September 2025 and in other Year Groups. Visits to school are always welcomed and easy to arrange—please contact us to arrange your visit!

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Attendance Superstars!

Congratulations to 5LM & 6BF who are our Attendance Super Stars this Week!



Weekly Attendance

RC	RK	1AP	1KG	2LG	2NH	3LH/VN
96%	97%	86%	93%	96%	98%	93%
3SO/AM	4HB	4JH	5LM	5SM	6AC	6BF
97%	94%	96%	100%	95%	95%	100%

House Points

Well done to St Bernadette house who earned over 560 house points and won this week by 1 house point!





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Well Done to our Learners of the Week for impressing their teachers with their hard work and fantastic learning behaviours!

Learners of the Week						
RC Mario	RK Patrick	1AP Kevin	1KG Leo	2LG Harrison C	2NH Jax	3VN Eddie
3SO/AM Kody	4HB Rosie	4JH Noah	5LM Freya	5SM Max	6BF Dollie	6AC Ava

Our Virtue Stars have been showing us how they are living out the virtues of being Intentional and Prophetic – Very Well Done!

Virtue Stars of the Week						
RC Henry	RK Sienna	1AP Tilly	1KG Archie	2LG Ada	2NH Nevie- Jo	3VN Autumn W
3SO/AM Isla Blue	4HB Nikodem	4JH Evie	5LM Jack	5SM Georgia	6BF Izabela	6AC Grace

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Track My Read

Apologies if you have been unable to access the Summer Term Track My Read challenge - this was due to a technical error which has now been rectified so please try again and start tracking your minutes - Happy Reading!

Well done to those readers who were able to access the challenge and have begun tracking their Summer Term reading minutes.

Caretaker / Key Holder Role

St Gabriel's is looking to recruit a Caretaker / Key Holder.

If you might be interested in the role then the school would be very keen to hear from you.

For more info or to arrange a visit to the school, please contact St Gabriel's 01827 213910

Safety on the Road

Traffic related incidents can be a significant risk for young pedestrians and cyclists, so understanding road safety is crucial for children's well-being. Accompanying this week's newsletter is a 'Safety on the Road' poster for parents and educators. The poster has 'Ten Top Tips' including taking practice journeys, stopping before the kerb and avoiding distractions when crossing the road. Please do read this poster and discuss its content with your child.



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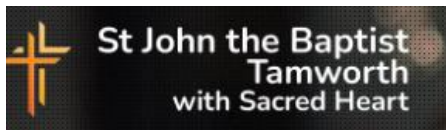
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Parish News

<https://www.tamworthrc.church/>

Sacred Heart Toddlers

Sacred Heart Toddlers is closed this Thursday 8th May, due to an external function. We will be back on Thursday 15th May at 10.30am.

Please keep an eye on social media, or the bulletin to see what room we will be in. Toddlers have been hugely successful, and we are looking for more volunteers to help the team! Contact rebecca@tamworthrc.church if you want to know more.

Altar Servers are needed at all Masses

Altar Servers are needed at all Masses if you have made your first holy communion, why not become an altar server and get involved in the Mass in a new way? We will offer training. Just speak to any priest or deacon or email Fr Michael asap. It's open to all ages.

If you are a parent, can you encourage your son or daughter to serve please?

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil

6:00pm - St John's Church

Sunday

9:00am - Sacred Heart

10:30am - St John's Church

12:00pm - Sacred Heart

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Sunday Gospel Reflection

Fourth Sunday of Easter – John 10:27-30

'My Sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.'

In our Gospel reading this Sunday, Jesus remind us that He knows us and that he wants to give us 'eternal life.' We just need to hear his voice and follow him. Sometimes we might find that very hard – life is full of distractions, challenges and difficulties, but Jesus, our true shepherd, is always there. Jesus brings His message of eternal life to everyone – How can we share this joyful message of love this week?



Prayer for the Conclave

Lord God,
hear our prayers for the cardinals
entrusted with electing a successor to the Apostle
Peter.
May they be filled with the gifts of the Holy Spirit
as they discern the needs of the Church in this age.
May they choose a worthy shepherd
to lead us and guide us.
We make this prayer through Christ our Lord.
Amen.



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PE Days

Please see below for your child's 'PE Day.' Children should attend school in their PE kit on their PE day.



Reception Coakley	Thursday
Reception Keeling	Friday
Year One	Wednesday
Year Two	Wednesday
Year Three	Tuesday
Year Four	Tuesday
Year Five	Thursday
Year Six	Monday

Extra – Curricular Clubs

Please see below for details of current extra- curricular clubs going on a school

Please note these are current clubs

Club	Day
Cricket Year 3	Monday 3:30pm to 4:30pm
Multi-Skills Year 4	Tuesday 8.00am to 8.50am
Gymnastics Year 5 and Year 6	Tuesday 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Dodgeball Year 2	Thursday 8.00am to 8.50am
Recorder Club Year 2 and 3	Thursday 8.20am to 8.50am
Choir Key Stage 2	Thursday 3.20pm to 4.15pm
Choir Year 5 and Year 6	Friday 12.15pm to 1.00pm
Drum Club Year 5	Friday 3.30pm to 4.15pm
TAG Rugby Club Year 6	Friday 3.30pm to 4.30pm
Rocksteady	Tuesday and Thursday am

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Sacramental / Liturgical Dates	
Friday 9 th May	Mass in School – Led by Y5
Saturday 17th May	First Holy Communion (10am (3SO), 12 noon (3VN); Sacred Heart)
Friday 23 rd May	Mass in School Whole School (Led by Y4)
Friday 13 th June	Mass in School Whole School – (Led by Chaplaincy)
Friday 13th June	Sacrament of Confirmation (Y6, Sacred Heart)
Friday 27 th June	Mass in School (Led by EY, Y1, Y2)
Friday 11 th July	Mass in School – Thanksgiving for Sacraments (Led by Y3 + Y6)
Friday 18 th July	Mass in School - <u>Whole School (Led by Y6)</u>

Term Dates		
<u>Autumn Term 2024:</u> Term time: Tues 3 Sept - Fri 25 Oct Half Term: Mon 28 Oct – Fri 1 Nov Term time: Mon 4th Nov – Fri 20 Dec Holiday: Mon 23 Dec – Fri 3 Jan	<u>Spring Term 2025:</u> Term time: Mon 6 Jan – Fri 14 Feb Half Term: Mon 17 Feb – Fri 21 Feb Term time: Mon 24 Feb – Fri 11 Apr Holiday: Mon 14 Apr – Fri 25 Apr	<u>Summer Term 2025:</u> Term time: Mon 28 Apr – Fri 23 May Half Term: Mon 26 May – Fri 30 May Term time: Mon 2 June – Mon 21 July Holiday: Tues 22nd July – Fri 29th Aug
INSET Days: 02/09/2024, 04/11/2024, 24/02/2025, 23/06/2025, 21/07/2025 https://www.st-gabriels.staffs.sch.uk/term_dates		

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