



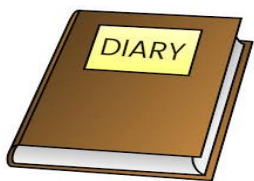
St Gabriel's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

Thursday 17th July 2025

With Jesus Christ at the heart of our loving Catholic community

Dates for Diary



Friday 18th July

**End of term
(1.30pm)**

**Monday 1st
September**

INSET Day 1

**Tuesday 2nd
September**

**Children return
to school**

**2025/26 Term
Dates on back
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Faith-filled and Hopeful

Faith-filled in their beliefs and **hopeful** for the future.

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we come to the end of the academic year, we have said goodbye to a number of people this week.

Our wonderful Year Six have shared their Leavers' Assembly with the school and with their families and are looking forward to their end of term Mass tomorrow. Our Year Six children have had an amazing year and have been true leaders and role models for everyone in the school. The kindness, care and compassion they have for all has really permeated all aspects of school life this year. Year Six – thank you and we wish you all the best as you start your secondary school journeys.

As you may have seen on our new Instagram account, we have also said goodbye to Mrs White this week. Mrs White has given over 45 years of wonderful service to St Gabriel's – we have been truly blessed to have had her as part of the team and wish her very happy retirement.

Thank you to all our children, families and staff for all their hard work, enthusiasm and time this year – it has been greatly appreciated by us all. Thank you, especially, to our parents and carers for all your support throughout the year – it makes a huge difference and is greatly valued – thank you all.

We hope all our children, families and staff have a happy and healthy summer break. We look forwards to seeing all who are returning in September for the start of another exciting year and wish everyone who is setting off on new adventures the very best!

God Bless

Mr Bright

Headteacher

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Attendance Superstars!

Congratulations to 2NH/3VN/4JH who are our Attendance Super Stars this Week!



Weekly Attendance

RC	RK	1AP	1KG	2LG	2NH	3VN
96%	87%	90%	94%	97%	98%	98%
3SO	4HB	4JH	5LM	5SM	6AC	6BF
92%	94%	98%	93%	89%	92%	96%



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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 Eva-May	RK Amaya	1AP Sofia	1KG Elsie	2LG Ellie	2NH Rosie	3VN Thomas K
3SO/AM Zach D	4HB Natalia	4JH Vishmee	5LM Lewis	5SM Nel	6BF Oscar	6AC Ivy

Our Virtue Stars have been showing us how they are living out the virtues of being Faith-filled and Hopeful – Very Well Done!

Virtue Stars of the Week						
RC Louie	RK Gabriel	1AP Ali-Rose	1KG Harry	2LG Noah	2NH Rhythm	3VN Autumn
3SO/AM Bethany	4HB JJ	4JH Florence	5LM George	5SM Cian M	6BF Aubrey	6AC Natan

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Mrs White

On Thursday morning, we said a very heartfelt Thank You and 'Happy Retirement' to our very wonderful Mrs White!

Mrs White has worked at St Gabriel's for more than 45 years and has been a huge part of making our school the special place it is.

During her time here, Mrs White has touched the lives of hundreds and hundreds of children - helping so many to make a happy, positive and enjoyable start to their time at school. Mrs White has also been a wonderful colleague to work with - a true friend to all.

St Gabriel's has been blessed to have had Mrs White as a member of the team for all these years - it goes without saying that she will be greatly missed by us all.

We wish Mrs White a very happy retirement. Best Wishes for your next adventure - but please have a rest first!

With love and thanks from us all.



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St Gabriel's News

Each week, we will be sharing a St Gabriel's News post on our new Instagram account. The weekly post will contain some key highlights and dates from the main newsletter. Please follow us on Instagram at [stgabrielsprimary](https://www.instagram.com/stgabrielsprimary)

St Gabriel's News

Upcoming Events

Monday 1st September 25
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A Summer Prayer

Long warm days...
The pace of life slows...
A time for picnics and rest in the shade...
Lord, help me to rest awhile
in the cooling shade of your presence.
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with gentle compassion for all your people.
Amen.

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Year of Jubilee



On Tuesday 15th July, St Gabriel's with its cluster schools: St. Elizabeth's, St. Joseph's and St. Peter and St Paul's took part individually but at the same time in a Year 4 group pilgrimage to celebrate the **Jubilee Year 2025: Pilgrims of Hope**.

We sang several hymns as we processed from location to location within the school. The children singing was of the 'Jubilee', 'Pilgrims of Hope' and 'May your Love' was very uplifting and prayerful. We ended with this prayer:

Holy Spirit, our inspiration,

In this Jubilee year, you remind us of our call to grow in faith and love.

Help us to hear you in scripture, to see Jesus in others,

and to be united as God's global family.

Guide us on our journey as pilgrims of hope.

Amen

Afterwards, we spent time creating our own Pilgrims of Hope book marks.



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A Summer Blessing

May you walk with God

This summer

In whatever you do

Wherever you go



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SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAY DATES 2025/2026

Autumn Term 2025:

INSET DAY 1 MONDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

Term time: Tuesday 2 September - Friday 24 October

Half Term: Monday 27 October – Friday 31 October

INSET DAY 2 MONDAY 3 NOVEMBER

Term time: Tuesday 4 November – Friday 19 December

Holiday: Monday 22 December – Friday 2 January

Spring Term 2026:

Term time: Monday 5 January – Friday 13 February

Half Term: Monday 16 February – Friday 20 February

INSET DAY 3 MONDAY 23 FEBRUARY

Term time: Tuesday 24 February – Friday 27 March

Holiday: Monday 30 March – Friday 10 April

Summer Term 2026:

Term time: Monday 13 April – Friday 22 May

MAY DAY: MONDAY 4 MAY

Half Term: Monday 25 May – Friday 29 May

Term time: Monday 1 June – Monday 20 July

INSET DAY 4 MONDAY 22 JUNE

INSET DAY 5 MONDAY 20 JULY

(NOTE: FINAL DAY FOR CHILDREN WILL BE FRIDAY 17TH JULY 2026)

Holiday: Tuesday 21st July – Monday 31 August