

With Jesus Christ at the heart of our loving Catholic community

#### **Dates for Diary**



#### Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> September

St Francis of Assisi Catholic College Open Evening

#### Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> September

Sacramental meeting for parents (Y3 – 6pm; Y6 – 7pm @Sacred Heart)

#### Sunday 5th October

School Mass at Sacred Heart (9am) (Welcome and Commitment Mass)

## Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October

Y6 at Alton Castle

# Eloquent and truthful in what they say of themselves, the relation between people, and the world.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last Sunday (14<sup>th</sup>), the parish celebrated the blessing of their new Stations of the Cross. As mentioned in our newsletter last week, the Stations were painted by our very own Mrs Hogg! Mrs Hogg's interpretation of the Stations of the Cross is incredibly prayerful and thoughtul – below is a photo of Mrs Hogg in front of her favourite Station. We are very blessed to have such a wonderful artist as part of our St Gabriel's community.



On **Sunday 5th October** we have our first Family Mass of the school year at the Sacred Heart Church (9am). A number of the children will be involved in the readings, offertory and singing during the Mass. Please do put this date in your diary – it is always very special when we gather together as a school community for Mass – we look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible.

God Bless

Mr Bright

Headteacher

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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						
		1CC	1LG	2LM	2NH	3JH
		Robyn	Archie	Leelan	Archie	Ada
3LH	4HB	4VN	5EY	5SM	6BF	6AC
Harry T	Avalon	Sofia	Harmony	Max	Harrison	Lewis

# Our Pride in Presentation Award goes to someone who has put great effort and taken great pride in their presentation!

		Pri	ide in Pres	entation		
		1CC Myles	1LG Matilda	2LM Kevin	2NH Havannah	3JH Emilia
3LH Neivie- Jo	4HB Erik	4VN Scarlett	5EY Freya Bi	5SM Anthony	6BF Ethan	6AC Eva



## **Attendance Matters!**

Congratulations to class 2NH who are our Attendance SuperStars this week!



## Weekly Attendance

		1CC 98.1%	1LG 95.9%	2LM 95.8%	2NH 100%	3JH 96%
3LH	4HB	4VN	5EV	5SM	6BF	6AC
96.2%	97.7%	97.1%	97.9%	98.4%	96.9%	95.9%

#### **House Points**

Well done to St Theresa house who earned over 500 house points!



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#### St Francis of Assisi College - Open Evening



St Francis of Assisi College Erdington Road Aldridge, Walsall WS9 ORN

Open Evening 2025
Thursday 18th September 6:30pm- 9pm
An OUTSTANDING Catholic School

St Francis of Assisi (Aldridge) are hosting their Open Evening on **Thursday 18**<sup>th</sup> **September 2025** (6.30pm – 9pm).

During the evening there will be opportunities to tour the school, meet some of the staff and speak with current SFA students.

Parents of children from all Year Groups are very welcome to attend and find out more about Catholic education for 11 – 18 year olds.

More information about SFA can be found at <a href="https://www.stfrancis.cc/">https://www.stfrancis.cc/</a>

#### **Track My Read**

Our new Track My Read challenge for the Autumn Term is now live! You should all have received your Log in details by tomorrow, so please log on and start tracking your reading minutes. Our target for the Autumn term is 90,000 minutes and the more of us who log in, the greater our chance of reaching our target - every minute counts!

If you are having any problems with your log in details please let your child's class teacher know and we can rectify this for you. Thank you in anticipation of your support.





Parish News - <a href="https://www.tamworthrc.church/">https://www.tamworthrc.church/</a>

## **Apple Festival**

Juicing Days Friday 26th Sept & Sat 27th for sale after Masses 26th/27th.

Can you save apples (cooking and eating) from neighbours and friends for another apple festival- recycling food and making money for CAFOD.

**Bottles:** Can you pledge to bring in some screw top wine bottles cleaned and with their labels removed for the Apple Festival? Jars for sauces or chutneys too, with labels removed please.

**Apple Festival Volunteers:** Main days Fri 26th and Sat 27th Sept. Please sign up on the sheet on the boards at the back of church or email Fr Michael. A team is also needed to take a lead on this please email Fr Michael if you think you can help.

**Baking:** Can you bake crumbles/pies using our apples to sell on 26th/27th Sept to raise money for CAFOD

#### **Youth Matters**

We are looking to create new opportunities for our young people (0-18+), alongside the wonderful activities that are currently happening in our Parish. The first meeting of our 'Youth Matter Mission Team' is on Wed 24<sup>th</sup> Sept, 7-8pm in the Kenelm room. Please come along and share any ideas. For more info contact Rebecca, Children and Family Worker <a href="mailto:rebecca@tamworthrc.church">rebecca@tamworthrc.church</a>



#### **Sunday Gospel Reflection**

25<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Luke 16: 10-13

One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus talks about being faithful. Jesus says that God notices when we are faithful in the 'very little' things. Some of us will be called in life to be faithful in 'big things,' but all of us are called everyday to be faithful in all those things which can sometimes seem small – the smiles, kind words, thoughtful actions – but, in the eyes of God, are actually acts of true love.

As St Theresa of Calcutta said

"Not all of us can do great things, but we can do small things with great love."





#### **PE Days**

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

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

	Dates
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	St Francis of Assisi Catholic College Open Evening
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	Mass in School (Ys 1,3,5)
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025	Sacramental meeting for parents (Y3 – 6pm; Y6 – 7pm
	@Sacred Heart)
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> September 2025	Feast of St Gabriel
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 2025	Mass in School – Whole School – Y5
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	School Mass at Sacred Heart (9am) (Welcome and
	Commitment Mass)
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Y6 at Alton Castle
October 2025	



Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Mass in School – Ys 2, 4, 6
Tuesday 21st October	Autumn Term Parents' Evening
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2025	Autumn Term Parents' Evening
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	End of Half Term
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	INSET Day Two
Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Children return
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2025	Mass in School - Whole School - (Led by Y6)
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November	School Photos
2025	
Friday 21st November 2025	Mass in School (CAFOD Jubilee Day) – Whole School –
	Chaplaincy
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	School Mass at Sacred Heart (9am)
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Mass in School – Whole School - Staff (Y4 and Y5
	Confessions after Mass)
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Key Stage Two Carol; Service (6pm, Sacred Heart)
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Early Years Christmas Nativity
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Key Stage One Carol; Service (6pm, Sacred Heart)
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	Mass in School – Whole School- Y6 (Y6 and Staff
	Confessions after Mass)
	End of Autumn Term
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Start of Spring Term
	Children return to school
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Mass in School – Whole School – Year 5
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Mass in School – Year Two (Year Group Mass)
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Mass in School Whole School – Y3
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	End of Half Term
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Ash Wednesday – Lent begins
Monday 23rd February 2026	INSET Day 3
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Children return to school
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	CAFOD Family Fast Day
Sunday 1 <sup>st</sup> March 2026	School Mass at Sacred Heart (9am)
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2026	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Y3) (Sacred Heart, 6pm)
Thursday 5 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	World Book Day
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Mass in School – Year Four and Year Five (Year Group
	Mass) (Y4 and Y5 Confessions after Mass)



Tuesday 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Spring Term Parents' Evening
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Spring Term Parents' Evening
Friday 20th March 2026	Mass in School- Y2 (Year Group Mass)
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Mass in School Whole School (Led by Y4)
	End of Spring Term
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026	Good Friday
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Easter Sunday (Easter Season until Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> May)
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Start of Summer Term
	Children return
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Mass in School- Whole School – Chaplaincy
Friday 1st May 2026	Mass in School – Year One (Year Group Mass)
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Bank Holiday
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> May – Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Key Stage Two SATS
May 2026	
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	First Holy Communion (10am, 12 noon; Sacred Heart)
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026	End of Half Term
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2026	Pentecost
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	Children return to school
	Year Four Multiplication Check window opens until
	Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> June 2026
Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Mass in School – Whole School – Chaplaincy
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> June	Corpus Christi
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Year One Phonic Screening Check (until Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>
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