



# **St Gabriel's Catholic Primary School**

## **Newsletter**

### **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2025**

*With Jesus Christ at the heart of our loving Catholic community*

#### **Dates for Diary**

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

Y6 at Alton Castle

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>  
October**

Friends of St  
Gabriel's Annual  
General Meeting  
(4pm)

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>  
October**

Autumn Term  
Parents' Evening

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

Dear Parents and Carers,

Next Friday (17<sup>th</sup> October) we will be raising money for Mary's Meals.

Children can come dressed in their own clothes for a small donation. Donations can be made on Parent Pay. Flapjack will also be available to buy at playtime on the 17<sup>th</sup>. Please order this on ParentPay by Thursday 16 October. You can find out more about Mary's Meals at <https://www.marysmeals.org/>

As you will be aware, we have our Autumn Term Parent's Evening on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> and Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. Appointments can be booked via Teachers2Parents. We look forward to welcoming as many parents and carers as possible to these sessions – teachers will be able to talk to you about how your child has settled into their new year group, the progress they are making and what their key next steps will be.

God Bless

Mr Bright

Headteacher

## **OPEN DAYS – RECEPTION 2026**

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2025 (9.30 - 11.30am)**

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2025 (1pm - 3pm)**

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2025 (9.30 - 11.30am)**

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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 |                     |                        |                        |                     |                                                                                                         |                       |
|----------------------|---------------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| <b>RC</b><br>Maria   | <b>RK</b><br>Alex   | <b>1CC</b><br>Oliver D | <b>1LG</b><br>Kyriakos | <b>2LM</b><br>Pippa | <b>2NH</b><br>Leo                                                                                       | <b>3JH</b><br>Zachary |
| <b>3LH</b><br>Evelyn | <b>4HB</b><br>Freya | <b>4VN</b><br>George   | <b>5EY</b><br>Darcy    | <b>5SM</b><br>Darcy | <b>6BF 6AC</b><br> |                       |

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

| Pride in Presentation  |                      |                      |                      |                     |                                                                                                         |                      |
|------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|
| <b>RC</b><br>Ayla-Rose | <b>RK</b><br>Heshara | <b>1CC</b><br>Violet | <b>1LG</b><br>Leo    | <b>2LM</b><br>Teddy | <b>2NH</b><br>Keeva                                                                                     | <b>3JH</b><br>Finley |
| <b>3LH</b><br>Harry T  | <b>4HB</b><br>Marcel | <b>4VN</b><br>Archie | <b>5EY</b><br>Kaiden | <b>5SM</b><br>Emi   | <b>6BF 6AC</b><br> |                      |

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# Attendance Matters!

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



# Weekly Attendance

|                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |                            |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| <b>RC</b><br><b>96.7%</b>  | <b>RK</b><br><b>96.2%</b>  | <b>1CC</b><br><b>96.3%</b> | <b>1LG</b><br><b>93.7%</b> | <b>2LM</b><br><b>94.1%</b> | <b>2NH</b><br><b>98.4%</b> | <b>3JH</b><br><b>96.4%</b> |
| <b>3LH</b><br><b>96.5%</b> | <b>4HB</b><br><b>97.3%</b> | <b>4VN</b><br><b>96.8%</b> | <b>5EY</b><br><b>97.4%</b> | <b>5SM</b><br><b>96.2%</b> | <b>6BF</b><br><b>96.1%</b> | <b>6AC</b><br><b>97.4%</b> |

## House Points

Well done to St Theresa house who earned 580 house points!



## Track My Read

We now have 111 active pupils on Track My Read who have reached an amazing 24, 260 minutes read so far - Well Done readers!

As reading is such a vital part of our children's home learning, it would be great to see more of you tracking your minutes on Track My Read so please log on and join us.

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

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The poster features a warm, autumnal color palette of oranges, yellows, and browns. It is decorated with illustrations of large, detailed leaves at the top and bottom, and two pumpkins at the bottom corners. The text is centered and uses a mix of bold, sans-serif and elegant, script-like fonts. The event details are clearly stated, including the date, time, and activities. Contact information is provided at the bottom.

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***Open Morning!***

***Join us on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 2025  
(9.30 - 11.30am) for a morning of  
Autumn Fun!***

Join us in the Book  
Corner to find out  
'How to hide a Lion!'

Create your own  
Autumn Treasures Art!

Play Conker Games

Explore Autumn  
around us!

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#### **Friends of St Gabriel's**

**Friends of St Gabriel's (FOSG) have their Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October (4pm) in school.**

Everyone is very welcome to attend – new members especially!

FOSG do a fantastic job raising money to support projects and events here at school – including books for our class libraries, school trips and visitors and outdoor resources – and are also a wonderful way for parents and carers to get more involved in school life.

Please do come along – you are guaranteed a very warm welcome from everyone in the FOSG!

#### **Coats**

Now that the weather is turning a little colder, please do make sure that children come to school with a warm, name-labelled coat. Thank you for your support with this.





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#### Parish News

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

#### Parents' Alpha

Is happening on **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October, 10.30-12pm**, at **Sacred Heart Church** and is being run by the 'Toddlers Team'.

This is a very special Alpha Course that they are offering, in a safe, welcoming environment. Little ones can enjoy playing and exploring in the same room as you, as you enjoy a cup of tea and a slice of homemade cake whilst having a relaxed conversation about faith and life in general (and hopefully a bit of a laugh too!) in an open, friendly space.

If you are Curious in exploring faith with other parents or know anyone who might be, contact Rebecca – Children and Family Worker via email [rebecca@tamworthrc.church](mailto:rebecca@tamworthrc.church) (You don't have to have a Toddler to attend!)

#### 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**

#### **28<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time - Luke 17:11-19 – The man gave thanks**

In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus heals ten people but only one comes back to give thanks.

We have all received gifts from Jesus. Like the man who returned to say thank you to Jesus, we should give thanks and praise to Him for all we have been given.

What gifts can we thank God for this week?

October

Dawn Devotion

The month of October celebrates the special Catholic Tradition – the Rosary.

Please join us on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 8.30am where we will gather together in the Prayer Garden to pray the Rosary.

Rosary Beads can be provided.

Please make your way to the school office to join us.



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

#### Dates

|                                                                  |                                                      |
|------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> – Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 | Y6 at Alton Castle                                   |
| Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2025                            | Open Morning                                         |
| Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2025                            | Friends of St Gabriel's Annual General Meeting (4pm) |
| Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> October 2025                             | Mass in School – Ys 2, 4, 6                          |
| Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2025                            | Autumn Term Parents' Evening                         |
| Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> October 2025                          | Open Afternoon                                       |
| Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> October 2025                           | Autumn Term Parents' Evening                         |
| <b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 2025</b>                       | <b>End of Half Term</b>                              |
| <b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025</b>                       | <b>INSET Day Two</b>                                 |

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| <b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2025</b>  | <b>Children return</b>                                                                               |
| Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> November 2025      | Open Morning                                                                                         |
| Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> November 2025         | Mass in School - Whole School – (Led by Y6)                                                          |
| Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2025     | School Photos                                                                                        |
| Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2025     | FoSG School Disco                                                                                    |
| Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> 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)                             |
| Friday 5 <sup>th</sup> December 2025         | FoSG Christmas Fayre                                                                                 |
| 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)                                                     |
| <b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2025</b>  | Mass in School – Whole School- Y6 (Y6 and Staff Confessions after Mass)<br><b>End of Autumn Term</b> |
| <b>Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2026</b>    | <b>Start of Spring Term</b><br><b>Children return to school</b>                                      |
| 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                                                                     |
| <b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2026</b>  | <b>End of Half Term</b>                                                                              |
| Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> February 2026     | Ash Wednesday – Lent begins                                                                          |
| <b>Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026</b>  | <b>INSET Day 3</b>                                                                                   |
| <b>Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2026</b> | <b>Children return to school</b>                                                                     |
| 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                                                                         |

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| Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2026                             | Spring Term Parents' Evening                                                                                            |
| Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2026                               | Mass in School- Y2 (Year Group Mass)                                                                                    |
| <b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b>                         | Mass in School Whole School (Led by Y4)<br><b>End of Spring Term</b>                                                    |
| 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)                                                         |
| <b>Monday 13<sup>th</sup> April 2026</b>                         | <b>Start of Summer Term</b><br><b>Children return</b>                                                                   |
| Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2026                               | Mass in School- Whole School – Chaplaincy                                                                               |
| Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> 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> May 2026 | Key Stage Two SATS                                                                                                      |
| Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup> May 2026                               | First Holy Communion (10am, 12 noon; Sacred Heart)                                                                      |
| <b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026</b>                           | <b>End of Half Term</b>                                                                                                 |
| Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2026                                 | Pentecost                                                                                                               |
| <b>Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026</b>                           | <b>Children return to school</b><br>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> June)                                                    |
| Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2026                                | Mass in School – Early Years (Year Group Mass)                                                                          |
| Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2026                                | INSET Day 4                                                                                                             |
| Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2026                                | Feast of St Peter and Paul                                                                                              |
| Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2026                                 | Mass in School – Y3 and Y6 – Thanksgiving for Sacraments                                                                |
| Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> July                                    | Meet the New Teacher Day                                                                                                |
| Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> July 2026                                | Reports sent home                                                                                                       |
| Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> July 2026                               | Parent – Meet the New Teacher session                                                                                   |
| <b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>                          | Mass in School - Whole School (Led by Y6)<br><b>Last day of school year for children</b>                                |
| Monday 20 <sup>st</sup> July 2026                                | INSET Day 5                                                                                                             |

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