

With Jesus Christ at the heart of our loving Catholic community

Dates for Diary



Wed 12th November

School Photos School Disco

Sunday 23rd November

School Mass at Sacred Heart (9am)

Tues 9th December

Key Stage Two Carol Service (6pm, Sacred Heart)

Mon 15th December

Early Years Christmas Nativity

Tues 17th December

Key Stage One Carol; Service (6pm, Sacred Heart)

Friday 19th December

End of Term (1.30pm)

This half term's Gospel Virtues are Learned and Wise

<u>Learned</u>, finding God in all things; and <u>wise</u> in the ways they use their learning for the common good.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back! I hope everyone had a relaxing and enjoyable half term.

This week in school, we have been thinking about Remembrance. On Wednesday our Year Six children visited the National Arboretum at Alrewas to learn about and reflect on the service and sacrifice of those who have fought in or been affected by war. Year Six will also be leading our Whole School Mass tomorrow (Friday) and have written prayers to share in response to their visit.

Next week we have our Annual School Photos and our Autumn School Disco! - please see below for a reminder of all the details.

God Bless

Mr Bright

Headteacher







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 Avelynn	RK Delilah	1CC Michael H	1LG Gabriel	2NH Remzi	2LM Grace	3JH Logan
3LH Louis	4HB Florence	4VN Lulu	5EY Evie	5SM Natalia	6BF Harper	6AC Elena

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

	Pride in Presentation							
RC Alice	RK Melody	1CC Isabel	1LG Sienna	2LM Joshua	2NH Sara	3JH Alexis		
3LH Frank	4HB Eddie	4VN Harlow	5EY Darcy	5SM Emilia	6BF Georgia	6AC Alanna- Mai		



Mission Disciples



This half term, as part of our Celebration Assemblies, each class will be celebrating a 'Mission Disciple.'

The Mission Disciples will be children who have demonstrated how they are 'living out our mission to put Jesus Christ at the heart of everything we do at St Gabriel's.'

We look forward to congratulating our first group of Mission Disciples in our Celebration Assembly on Friday!

Mission Disciple

'For living out our mission to put Jesus Christ at the heart of everything we do at St Gabriel's.'

RC	RK	1CC	1LG	2LM	2NH	3JH
Miller	Frankie	Violet	Connie	Harrison	Carter	Daisy
3LH	4HB	4VN	5EY	5SM	6BF	6AC
Stefani	Avalon	Bethany	Teddy	Mason H	Harry	Freya



Attendance Matters!

Congratulations to class 6AC who are our Attendance SuperStars this week!



Weekly Attendance

RC	RK	1CC	1LG	2LM	2NH	3JH
95.8%	94.8%	96.2%	92.2%	94.1%	96.4%	96.3%
3LH	4HB	4VN	5EY	5SM	6BF	6AC
96.2%	96.7%	95.7%	97.3%	96.3%	95.3%	97.6%

House Points

Well done to St Joseph house who earned 554 house points!



Track My Read

We now have 135 active pupils on Track My Read who have logged an impressive 42,910 minutes read so far - a huge Well Done to all those readers!

We are nearly halfway to meeting our Autumn Term target but still have a way to go to get there so please keep tracking those reads!

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.

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Annual School Photos - Tempest Photography



Tempest Photography will be coming to school on Wednesday 12th November 2025 for this year's annual school photos.

As usual, the photographer will be happy to take family groups including pre-school children and babies first thing in the morning – from 8.15am.

If you wish to have such a photograph taken, please come to the hall and queue. We will do our best to make the process speedy, but please do keep your children with you and for safety reasons do not let them run about.

Every child will have an individual photograph taken including our Pre-School Groups. Family Groups will automatically be taken too.

The photographs will be produced digitally and your child should arrive home with a proof copy and information the same evening. You will be asked to deal directly with Tempest; they offer us a fast and efficient service which works exceptionally well.

Thank you for your support.



School Disco!



The Friends of St Gabriel's would like to invite all children to the **first disco of this school year.** This will be held at school on **Wednesday 12th November.**

Reception and KS1 children from 4.45pm -5.45pm KS2 children from 6pm - 7pm.

A letter has been sent home with the children; this will have a form attached that you should bring along on the evening of the disco when you drop off your child(ren). This will help with queuing times. Cost is £3 per child or £7 for families of 3 children or more and will include drink and sweets.

We look forward to seeing some great dance moves and lots smiles from the children!

Thank you

The Friends of St Gabriel's





Parish News

https://www.tamworthrc.church/

New group Alert! Mum's Ministry

New group Alert! Mum's Ministry: Come and find strength, support and laughter in a community that truly understands! Aimed for mums of children and young people aged 0-25, where we hope to share our joys and challenges, learn from each other's wisdom and grow in our faith and friendship. Our first meeting will be Fri 14th November 7.30pm. Contact Rebecca to book your place, bring a friend along!

Maranatha Prayer Chain

Maranatha Prayer Chain: If you would like to ask others to help you to pray for someone, please contact terryvobrien@icloud.com or Sylvia Geldard 01827 65264.

Celebration Choir

Celebration Choir members of all the choirs meet on Wednesdays from 7.00pm to get ready for the liturgies for the weekend and now for Advent and Christmas. Anyone is welcome to join us.

Sunday Masses			
Saturday Vigil	Sunday		
6:00pm - St John's Church	9:00am - Sacred Heart		
	10:30am - St John's Church		
	12:00pm - Sacred Heart		



Sunday Gospel Reflection

John 2:13-22

'Take these things away; do not make my Father's house a marketplace!'



In the Sunday Gospel this week, Jesus turns the money-changers and traders out of the Temple in Jerusalem because they are trying to make money from people's faith in God.

They stopped the Temple being a quiet place where people could talk to God and turned it into a market.

Jesus knows that we all need special places to help us spend quality time with God.

Places where we can step back from the stresses and distractions of daily life and spend time focussing on our relationship with God. Places where we can truly stop, pause and reflect.

Jesus's actions in the Temple show how important these special places are and why we all need access to them.



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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				
Friday 7 th November 2025	Mass in School - Whole School - (Led by Y6)			
Wednesday 12 th November	School Photos			
2025				
Friday 21st November 2025	Mass in School (CAFOD Jubilee Day) – Whole School –			
	Chaplaincy			
Sunday 23 rd November 2025	School Mass at Sacred Heart (9am)			
Friday 5 th December 2025	Mass in School – Whole School - Staff (Y4 and Y5			
	Confessions after Mass)			
Tuesday 9 th December 2025	Key Stage Two Carol; Service (6pm, Sacred Heart)			



Monday 15 th December 2025	Early Years Christmas Nativity
Tuesday 16 th December 2025	Key Stage One Carol; Service (6pm, Sacred Heart)
Friday 19 th December 2025	Mass in School – Whole School- Y6 (Y6 and Staff
	Confessions after Mass)
	End of Autumn Term
Monday 5 th January 2026	Start of Spring Term
	Children return to school
Friday 16 th January 2026	Mass in School – Whole School – Year 5
Friday 30 th January 2026	Mass in School – Year Two (Year Group Mass)
Friday 13 th February 2026	Mass in School Whole School – Y3
Friday 13 th February 2026	End of Half Term
Wednesday 18 th February 2026	Ash Wednesday – Lent begins
Monday 23rd February 2026	INSET Day 3
Tuesday 24 th February 2026	Children return to school
Friday 27 th February 2026	CAFOD Family Fast Day
Sunday 1 st March 2026	School Mass at Sacred Heart (9am)
Tuesday 3 rd March 2026	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Y3) (Sacred Heart, 6pm)
Thursday 5 th March 2026	World Book Day
Friday 6 th March 2026	Mass in School – Year Four and Year Five (Year Group
	Mass) (Y4 and Y5 Confessions after Mass)
Tuesday 10 th March 2026	Spring Term Parents' Evening
Thursday 12 th March 2026	Spring Term Parents' Evening
Friday 20 th March 2026	Mass in School- Y2 (Year Group Mass)
Friday 27 th March 2026	Mass in School Whole School (Led by Y4)
	End of Spring Term
Friday 3 rd April 2026	Good Friday
Sunday 5 th April 2026	Easter Sunday (Easter Season until Sunday 24 th May)
Monday 13 th April 2026	Start of Summer Term
	Children return
Friday 17 th April 2026	Mass in School- Whole School – Chaplaincy
Friday 1 st May 2026	Mass in School – Year One (Year Group Mass)
Monday 4 th May 2026	Bank Holiday
Monday 11 th May – Thursday 14 th	Key Stage Two SATS
May 2026	
Saturday 16 th May 2026	First Holy Communion (10am, 12 noon; Sacred Heart)



Friday 22 nd May 2026	End of Half Term		
Sunday 24 th May 2026	Pentecost		
Monday 1st June 2026	Children return to school		
	Year Four Multiplication Check window opens until		
	Friday 12 th June 2026		
Friday 5 th June 2026	Mass in School – Whole School – Chaplaincy		
Sunday 7 th June	Corpus Christi		
Monday 8 th June 2026	Year One Phonic Screening Check (until Friday 12 th		
	June)		
Friday 19 th June 2026	Mass in School – Early Years (Year Group Mass)		
Monday 22 nd June 2026	INSET Day 4		
Sunday 28 th June 2026	Feast of St Peter and Paul		
Friday 3 rd July 2026	Mass in School – Y3 and Y6 – Thanksgiving for		
	Sacraments		
Thursday 9 th July	Meet the New Teacher Day		
Friday 10 th July 2026	Reports sent home		
Tuesday 14 th July 2026	Parent – Meet the New Teacher session		
Friday 17 th July 2026	Mass in School - Whole School (Led by Y6)		
	Last day of school year for children		
Monday 20st July 2026	INSET Day 5		