

With Jesus Christ at the heart of our loving Catholic community

Dates for Diary



Wednesday 20th November

Red Wednesday

Sunday 23rd November

School Mass at Sacred Heart (9am)

Tues 9th December

Key Stage Two Carol Service

Mon 15th December

Early Years Christmas Nativity

Tues 17th December

Key Stage One Carol Service

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,

Thank you to everyone for all the many kind messages, thoughts and prayers we have received in school this week, following the very sad news about Mrs Cox.

In school we have kept Mrs Cox and her family in our prayers. Children have had the opportunity to create prayer cards in memory of Mrs Cox and we will be sharing these with Mrs Cox's family in the coming days.

During this sad time, we can draw comfort from knowing that Mrs Cox has entered her heavenly home and is with the Lord – as one of our Year Two children said 'Jesus is looking after Mrs Cox now.'

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the School Disco yesterday (Wednesday). The Friends of St Gabriel's (FOSG) have very kindly proposed that money raised from the disco goes towards creating a fitting tribute to Mrs Cox in school – we are very grateful for this lovely suggestion.

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						
RC	RK	1CC Peter	1LG Patrick	2NH Alex	2LM Oliver	3JH Oliver
Sofia	Joey	Peter	Patrick	Alex	Olivei	Olivei
3LH Vivienne	4HB Bobby	4vn Archie	5EY Joseph	5SM Robbie	6BF Niamh	6AC Mia- Rose

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

	Pride in Presentation					
RC Ettie	RK Niamh	1CC Oliver D	1LG Marty	2LM Ali- Rose	2NH Tilly	3JH Elijah
3LH Marie	4HB Autumn	4VN Olaf	5EY Oliver	5SM Andrew	6BF Mason	6AC Kasey

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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.'

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** Lewis Natalie Maia **Emilia** Elsie Bryn Laycie М 3LH 4HB 4VN **5EY** 5SM 6BF 6AC Nevie-Maja Cian M **Esme** Nina Natalia Kyri Jo



Attendance Matters!

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



Weekly Attendance

RC	RK	1CC	1LG	2LM	2NH	3JH
96%	94.9%	95.7%	91.9%	94.5%	96.8%	96.5%
3LH	4HB	4VN	5EY	5SM	6BF	6AC
96%	96.5%	95.8%	97.2%	96.5%	95.4%	97.6%

House Points

Well done to St Theresa house who earned 594 house points!



Track My Read

A huge well done to the 137 readers who have logged an impressive 45,900 minutes read so far during Autumn term.

We are now over the halfway mark for our Autumn Term target 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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Red Wednesday – Wednesday 20th November



On Wednesday 20th November we will be marking "Red Wednesday".

Red Wednesday is an annual event organised by the charity Aid to the Church in Need.

The aim of the day is to raise awareness of people – in particular Christians – who are persecuted for their faith.

We will be having assemblies and prayer in school to help us think about people who have suffered because of their faith and beliefs.

We will be asking the children to come into school dressed in red/wearing an item of red clothing to help mark "Red Wednesday".

You can find out more information about the work of Aid to the Church in Need at

https://acnuk.org/

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Parish News

https://www.tamworthrc.church/

Parish Christmas Fayre

The annual Parish Christmas Fayre is only 1 week away!! Sunday 23rd November 2025 at Sacred Heart Tamworth, 10am - 2pm.

Come along for lots of festive fun, whilst raising much needed funds, to help maintain our two beautiful Parish Churches.

We are still accepting donations of bottles, chocolate and new

toys 🍾 🍫 👶 🕡 🚱

There will be music, refreshments, crafts, cakes, stalls, Santa and of course the raffle with a 1st prize of £500 cash!

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

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Luke 21: 5-19

Stand firm and you will save yourselves.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells His Disciples to 'Stand Firm.'

Stand firm, but not stand alone.

Jesus is with us always, even in the hardest times.

Jesus is in all people. Perhaps we can see Jesus in the person who helps us when we are struggling, in the person who inspires us to keep going, in the person who shows us that things can be different.





https://cafod.org.uk/pray/prayers-of-remembrance

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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 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 24th 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

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Monday 1 st 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