



# St Gabriel's Catholic Primary School Newsletter Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2026

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

## Dates for Diary

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup>  
March**

World Book Day

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> +  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>  
March**

Spring Term  
Parents'  
Evenings

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup>  
March**

Mass in School  
Whole School  
(Led by Y4)

End of Spring  
Term (1.30pm)

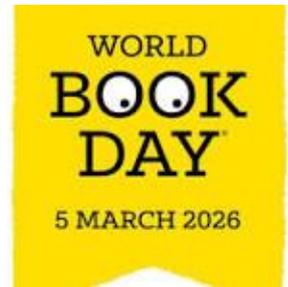
## Our Virtues this half term are Intentional and Prophetic

Intentional in the way they live and use of the resources of earth, guided by conscience; and prophetic in the example they set to others.

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have had a wonderful day taking part in our World Book Day celebrations today and it was a delight to see so many of them dressed up as their favourite book character or relaxing with a book in their pyjamas or loungewear.

It was also a real pleasure to welcome so many of you in to school today - the children thoroughly enjoyed having you join them for a story.



If you haven't already, please make sure you book an appointment for our Spring Term Parents Evenings – appointments can be booked via Teachers2Parents.

God Bless

Mr Bright

Headteacher

Any issues please contact the School Office.



Please follow us on Instagram for exciting updates on diary dates, special events and information about school life!

<https://www.instagram.com/stgabrielsprimary/>



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**WORLD BOOK Day 2026**

Thanks to all the children, staff and some of the parents who dressed up too!

Mr Bright looked very impressive.

Miss Cunningham was unrecognisable in her costume and she fully decorated her classroom too!






**WORLD BOOK Day 2026**

A wonderful selection of creative book inspired hats were made.

Thanks to all the parents and family members who attended the Reading sessions too.

Can you recognise these book characters?  
What's the title of their traditional tale?

**What a wonderful World Book Day!**









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 **Chaplaincy News**   
Lent 2026

## Who are Mary's Meals?

Mary's Meals provides life-changing school meals to children living in some of the world's poorest communities. The promise of a good meal brings hungry children into the classroom, where they can gain an education and better opportunities for the future.

## What is Lent?

Lent is a time when we pray, fast and give.

Through these three actions we are trying to grow closer to God in our prayers and actions.

## Giving- Helping those in need

Every Friday during Lent, we have different fundraising themes. We ask for a £1 (voluntary) donations on ParentPay for Mary Meal's, apart from the Chocolate Egg donations on the first Friday.

Please help us work together to help support people who are in need in our local and global family.

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February- Non- Uniform Day  
(Chocolate egg donations - for the Heart of Tamworth)

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March- Express yourself!  
Wear something to express who you are

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> March - Crazy hat/hair day

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March- Wear Purple for Lent

Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March- Dress as a Bible Character.

Text message reminders will be sent out the day before each event.





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## Consultation on Proposal for St Gabriel's Catholic Primary School to Join St John Paul II Multi Academy

As parents and carers will be aware, the Governing Body of St Gabriel's Catholic Primary School is consulting on a proposal for the school to join St John Paul II Multi Academy, a Catholic Multi Academy within the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

This proposal reflects the Diocese's vision for Catholic schools to work together in strong partnerships, ensuring children receive the very best Catholic education now and in the future.

Joining the MAC would protect and strengthen the school's Catholic ethos, enable schools to support one another and share expertise, strengthen leadership and governance, and ensure long-term sustainability. There would be no change to your child's school, teachers, daily routines or Catholic character.

This is a consultation, not a decision, and we are keen to hear your views.

**Parents and carers are invited to share views in writing by Friday 6th  
March 2026 via email to [consultation@st-gabriels.staffs.sch.uk](mailto:consultation@st-gabriels.staffs.sch.uk)**



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**Attendance Matters!**

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



**Weekly Attendance**

<b>RC</b> <b>98%</b>	<b>RK</b> <b>91.4%</b>	<b>1CC</b> <b>98.2%</b>	<b>1LG</b> <b>99.5%</b>	<b>2LM</b> <b>98.4%</b>	<b>2NH</b> <b>90.3%</b>	<b>3JH</b> <b>93.5%</b>
<b>3LH</b> <b>91.9%</b>	<b>4HB</b> <b>91.3%</b>	<b>4VN</b> <b>97.2%</b>	<b>5EY</b> <b>94.5%</b>	<b>5SM</b> <b>98.1%</b>	<b>6BF</b> <b>99.4%</b>	<b>6AC</b> <b>100%</b>

**TRACK MY READ!**

A huge well done to the 81 readers who are taking part in our St Gabriel's Spring Term Track My Read challenge - with 3 weeks still to go we have already passed our target of 50,000 minutes, reaching an incredible 62, 995 reading minutes! Well done, you have worked so hard - keep on reading, let's see how far we can go!

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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**Well Done to our Learners of the Week for impressing their teachers with their hard work and fantastic learning behaviours!**

<b>Learners of the Week</b>						
<b>RC Grace</b>	<b>RK Roman</b>	<b>1CC Theodore</b>	<b>1LG Ivy-Grace</b>	<b>2NH Elsie Mann</b>	<b>2LM Kevin</b>	<b>3JH Logan</b>
<b>3LH Nevie-Jo</b>	<b>4HB Seb</b>	<b>4VN Nina</b>	<b>5EY Florence</b>	<b>5SM Weronika</b>	<b>6BF Blossom</b>	<b>6AC Alanya</b>

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

<b>Pride in Presentation</b>						
<b>RC Lewis</b>	<b>RK Delilah</b>	<b>1CC Violet</b>	<b>1LG Leo</b>	<b>2LM Miles</b>	<b>2NH Alex</b>	<b>3JH Arabella</b>
<b>3LH Noah</b>	<b>4HB Frankie</b>	<b>4VN Zach E</b>	<b>5EY Vishmee</b>	<b>5SM Natalia</b>	<b>6BF Milania</b>	<b>6AC Harley</b>



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**Mission Disciples**

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

<b>RC Alice</b>	<b>RK Eloise</b>	<b>1CC Oliver G</b>	<b>1LG Ruby</b>	<b>2LM Mataya</b>	<b>2NH Leo</b>	<b>3JH Oliver</b>
<b>3LH Vivien</b>	<b>4HB Lottie</b>	<b>4VN Harlow</b>	<b>5EY Kaiden</b>	<b>5SM Myla</b>	<b>6BF Selena</b>	<b>6AC Olly</b>

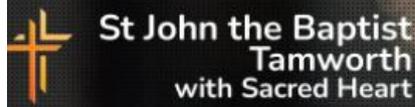
**House Points**

Well done to St Joseph house who earned over 840 house points!





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**Parish News**

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

**Youth Masses:**

In a fortnight's time there will be a weekend of Youth Masses 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> of March where young people will read the readings at all Masses. Please speak to Alex this weekend if you would like to read or drop her an email, asap please.

**Children's Worship:**

Could you spare an hour once a month? We need leaders/supporters at the 10.30am, 9.00am and 12.00 Masses to guide our children through the Gospel. Training will be given; we have suitable resources, just a love of children & the Gospel is required. Email [alex@tamworthrc.church](mailto:alex@tamworthrc.church)

**Sports Report**

**Indoor athletics - County Finals**

A huge congratulations to our year 5/6 indoor athletics team who competed in a tournament last Friday and finished third overall in the entire county. What a great achievement! The whole team played their part and well done to our captains, Rosa and Maya for leading the team so well.

Many thanks to all the parents who attended and thanks to Mr Fowler, Mr James and Mr Birtwhistle for training the child and supervising them at the event.

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Third Sunday in Lent – John 4:5-42

*The water that I will give will become  
a spring of water welling up to eternal life.*

In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus tells the Samaritan Woman at the Well that He can give her a 'living water' which brings with it eternal life!

After hearing this message, the Samaritan Woman ran home telling everyone that she had 'met the Christ.' Jesus's living water is for everyone – like the Samaritan Woman we are called to share this Good News.

Let us proclaim joyfully that we too know that Jesus gives each of a 'living water' which will well up to eternal life!





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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



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Dates	
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 20 <sup>th</sup> March 2026	Mass in School- Whole School Mass – Chaplaincy
<b>Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b>	Mass in School Whole School (Led by Y4) <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> <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 ( 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> 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

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<b>Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2026</b>	Mass in School - Whole School (Led by Y6) <b>Last day of school year for children</b>
Monday 20 <sup>st</sup> July 2026	INSET Day 5

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