



St Gabriel's Catholic Primary School

Part of the St John Paul II Multi Academy Company

Newsletter

Thursday 15th October 2026

With Jesus Christ at the heart of our loving Catholic community

Dates for Diary

**Tuesday 20th
October**

**Thursday
22nd October**

Autumn Term
Parents
Evening

**Thursday
22nd October**

Feast of St
John Paul II

**Friday 23rd
October**

End of Half
Term

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are looking forward to our visit from RISE Theatre tomorrow! RISE will be leading us in an exciting day of workshops, performances and prayer. The day will be focused around Catholic Social Teaching and how we can respond to this in our own lives.

Next Friday (23rd 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 23rd. You can find out more about Mary's Meals at <https://www.marysmeals.org/>

We look forward to welcoming parents and carers to our Autumn Term Parent's Evenings next week. If you have not had the chance to book an appointment, please make sure you do so before booking closes on Sunday.

God Bless

Mr Bright

Principal

Tuesday 6th October 2026-
10:00am-11:00am

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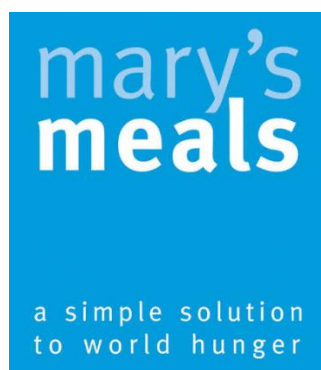


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On Friday 23rd October we will be raising money for Mary's Meals as we do each year. This is a charity that is important to us as it raises money to help feed children so they can access education.

There are two ways we are raising money:

1. Wear your own clothes! You can make a donation via ParentPay.
2. Flapjack will be available to buy at playtime on the 23rd October. Please order this on ParentPay by Monday 19th October.

Who are Mary's Meals and what do they do?

Mary's Meals raises money to give children a nutritious breakfast to ensure they can concentrate and learn at school. It costs just £19.15 to feed a child with Mary's Meals every day for a full school year.

Why do we fundraise?

We are called as Catholics to follow in the mission that Jesus left. The Catholic Social Teaching of Solidarity reminds us that we are one global family called to support our brothers and sisters.

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The poster is for a fundraising event for Mary's Meals. It features the Mary's Meals logo in the top left, which includes the text 'mary's meals' and 'a simple solution to world hunger'. To the right, the event details are written in a blue, handwritten-style font: 'Fundraising Day', 'Friday 23rd October', and '2026'. Below the logo, it states '£19.15 to feed a child with Mary's Meals every day for a full school year.' The central text 'You can:' is followed by a numbered list: '1. Wear your own clothes' and '2. Order a piece of flapjack to have at playtime'. At the bottom left, there are two speech bubbles containing question marks, followed by the text 'WHY do we fundraise?' and 'We are following the Mission that Jesus gave us to look after others.' On the bottom right, there is an illustration of a green book with the text 'I was hungry and you fed me' and 'Matthew 25:35'.

mary's meals
a simple solution to world hunger

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Fundraising Day
Friday 23rd October
2026

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2. Order a piece of flapjack to have at playtime

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Visit to the National Space Centre



Year 5 had a wonderful visit to the Space Centre in Leicester yesterday!

We learnt lots of interesting facts and went to two different workshops where learnt about rocket fuel and how your body functions in space (ask us how astronauts poo in space!)

We also watched a brilliant show in the planetarium. A great day was had by all!

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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TREASURE WITHIN

RISE Theatre's new primary day

RISE Theatre's BRAND NEW theatre production & interactive day - a treasure hunt theatre adventure for whole primary schools exploring the 7 principles of Catholic Social Teaching and how these inspiring treasures can be applied to every child

We are looking forward to visiting St Gabriel's on Friday 16th October!



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St Gabriel's Open Days



Where are we located?

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Primary School
Wilnecote Lane,
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Are looking for a reception place for your child for September 2027/2028?

Please come to one of our
Open Day sessions:

**Tuesday 6th October 2026-
10:00am-11:00am**

**Tuesday 13th October 2026-
10:00am-11:00am**

**Tuesday 10th November 2026-
1:30pm-2:30pm**

Need more information?

You are welcome to
contact our office
team on:

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or by email:
**office@st-
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Follow us on Instagram:

https://www.instagram.com/st_gabrielsprimary/



We can't wait to meet you!

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Attendance Matters!

**Congratulations to 3LH
who are our Attendance SuperStars this week!**

Weekly Attendance						
RC %	RK %	1CC 95.1%	1LG 97%	2HS 96.1%	2KG 98.1%	3JH 98.2%
3LH 98.4%	4HB 96.6%	4LM 96.9%	5SM 98.2%	5VN 96.1%	6AC 96.5%	6BF 98.1%



**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 Dominic	RK Ayla Rose	1CC Melody	1LG Miller	2HS Archie	2KG Charlotte	3JH Tilly
3LH Mataya	4HB Oliver	4LM Harry T	5SM Jaxon	5VN Roza	6AC Maja	6BF Gabriella

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

Pride in Presentation						
RC Gabrielos	RK Zuzanna	1CC Jos	1LG Sophia	2HS Matilda	2KG Isabel	3JH Freya
3LH Ollie	4HB Finley	4LM Imani	5SM Harlow	5VN Maya	6AC Abi	6BF Henry

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

Mission Disciples						
RC Aura	RK Dolcie-Mae	1CC Karter	1LG Ayla-Rose	2HS Kyriakos	2KG George	3JH Jaxon
3LH Dinura	4HB Logan	4LM Violet	5SM Zofia	5VN Hannah	6AC Ronnie K	6BF Mason



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Parish News

<https://www.tamworthrc.church/sunday-masses>

Remembrance Mass

Remembrance Mass will be on Saturday Nov 7th at 6pm at St John's: in this Mass we particularly remember those who have died in the last 12 months. There are lists at the back of Church. If you want a loved one's name read out, please write their name and the month in which they passed away.

Sacred Heart Youth

Sacred Heart Youth: Meet every Wednesday in the upstairs Kenelm Room, 6.30pm – 8pm. Youth is for school years 6-13 (ages 10-18) and is £1 per session. For more info, contact Rebecca.

Sacred Heart Toddlers

Sacred Heart Toddlers: Every Thurs 10.30am – 12noon, birth - 5 years old. We have a baby area, many different play zones, sensory, crafts, snacks, stories and singing! We are in the upstairs Kenelm room, and it's FREE! Come along and play with 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

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29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – Matthew 20:15-21

Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's



In the Gospel this Sunday, Jesus reminds us that we have two main responsibilities. One is to love God and to try to live our lives the way God wants us to. The other responsibility is to care for each other and to make sure that everyone has their fair share of the good things that God has given us.

This is what Jesus means when he says 'Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's.'

God has given us a world filled with good things. While some of us have all that we could wish for, others of us do not have a house to live in, enough food to eat or safe water to drink.

We can help each other and try to make sure that all people around the world have their fair share of the things that God has given us. A better world needs all of us and we can all play our part.

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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.

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

SCHOOL TERMS AND HOLIDAY DATES 2026/2027

Autumn Term 2026:

INSET DAY 1

TUESDAY 1 SEPTEMBER

INSET DAY 2

WEDNESDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

Term time: **Thursday 3 September - Friday 23 October (8 weeks)**

Half Term: Monday 26 October – Friday 30 October

Term time: **Monday 2 November – Friday 18 December (7 weeks)**

Holiday: Monday 21 December – Friday 1 January

Spring Term 2027:

INSET DAY 3

MONDAY 4 JANUARY

Term time: **Tuesday 5 January – Friday 12 February (6 weeks)**

Half Term: Monday 15 February – Friday 19 February

Term time: **Monday 22 February – Thursday 25 March (5 weeks)**

Holiday: Monday 29 March – Friday 9 April

Summer Term 2027:

Term time: **Monday 12 April – Friday 28 May (7 weeks)**

MAY DAY: MONDAY 3 MAY

Half Term: Monday 31 May – Friday 4 June

Term time: **Monday 7 June – Wednesday 21 July (7 weeks)**

INSET DAY 4 FRIDAY 2 JULY

INSET DAY 5 TO BE CONFIRMED



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Dates for the Year	
Date	Event / s
Friday 16 th October	RISE Theatre – 'Treasure Within' – Whole School Event.
Tuesday 20 th October	Autumn Term Parents Evening
Thursday 22 nd October	Autumn Term Parents Evening
Thursday 22 nd October	Feast of St John Paul II
Friday 23 rd October	End of Half Term
November 2026 – Holy Souls	
Monday 2 nd November	Children return
Friday 6 th November	Whole School Mass led by Y3
Wednesday 11 th November	'Flu Immunisation visit
Monday 16 th November	Anti – Bullying Week
Tuesday 17 th November	Lichfield Cathedral Music Share Concert
Wednesday 18 th November	Tempest Photography
Friday 20 th November	Whole School Mass led by Chaplaincy
Sunday 22 nd November	School Led Mass at 9am Sacred Heart
Monday 30 th November	Feast of St Andrew (Patron Saint of Scotland)
December 2026 – Advent	
Friday 4 th December	Whole School Mass led by Y5 Confessions for Y4, Y5, Y6 and Staff after Mass
TBC	Key Stage Two Carol; Service (6pm, Sacred Heart)
TBC	Early Years Christmas Nativity
TBC	Key Stage One Carol; Service (6pm, Sacred Heart)
Friday 18 th December	Mass in School – Whole School- Y6 End of Autumn Term
January 2027	

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(Christmas season until 10 th January)	
Monday 4th January	Start of Spring Term INSET Day Three
Tuesday 5th January	Children return to school
Friday 6th January	Whole School Mass for Epiphany
Friday 15th January	Whole School Mass
Friday 29th January	Whole School Mass
February 2027	
Tuesday 9th February	Safer Internet Day
Wednesday 10th February	Ash Wednesday – Deacon Service for Ash Wednesday
Friday 12th February	Whole School Mass End of Half Term
Monday 22nd February	Children return to school
Sunday 28th February	School Led Mass at 9am Sacred Heart
March 2027 – Lent	
Monday 1st March	Feast of St David (Patron Saint of Wales)
Tuesday 2nd March	Feast of St Chad (Patron Saint of Archdiocese of Birmingham)
Thursday 4th March	World Book Day
Friday 5th March	British Science Week (until 14th March) Whole School Mass Y4, Y5, Y6 and Staff confessions
Tuesday 9th March	Spring Term Parents Evening
Thursday 11th March	Spring Term Parents Evening
Tuesday 16th March	Y3 Sacrament of Reconciliation 6pm at Sacred Heart Church
Wednesday 17th March	Feast of St Patrick (Patron Saint of Ireland)

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Thursday 18 th March	St Joseph's (House Saint) feast day
Friday 19 th March	Whole School Mass
TBC	KS2 Stations of the Cross (2pm)
TBC	KS1 Stations of the Cross (2pm)
Thursday 25 th March	End of Spring Term
Friday 26th March	Good Friday
Sunday 28th March	Easter Sunday (Easter Season until Sunday 24th May)
April 2027 – Easter	
Monday 12 th April	Start of Summer Term INSET Day Four
Tuesday 13 th April	Children return
Friday 16 th April	St Bernadette's (House Saint) Feast Day
Sunday 18 th April	School Led Mass at 9am Sacred Heart
Friday 23 rd April	Whole School Mass
Friday 23 rd / Sunday 25 th April	Feast of St George (Patron Saint of England)
May 2026 (Easter Season until Sunday 16 th May)	
Monday 3 rd May	Bank Holiday
Thursday 6 th May	Feast of the Ascension
Friday 7 th May	Whole School Mass
Monday 10 th May – Thursday 13 th May	Key Stage Two SATS
15 th May	First Holy Communion (10am, 12 noon; Sacred Heart)
16 th May	Pentecost
Friday 21 st May	Whole School Mass

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Friday 28 th May	End of Half Term
June 2027	
Monday 7 st June	Children return to school Year Four Multiplication Check window opens until Friday 18 th June
Friday 11 th June	Whole School Mass
Monday 14 th June	Year One Phonic Screening Check (until Friday 18 th June)
TBC	Sports Week
Friday 25 th June	Whole School Mass
Tuesday 29 th June	Feast of St Peter and Paul
July 2027	
Friday 2 nd July	MAC Formation Day (School closed)
Thursday 8 th July	Meet the New Teacher Day
TBC	Reports sent home
Friday 9 th July	Whole School Mass
Tuesday 13 th July	Parent – Meet the New Teacher session
Friday 16 th July	Mass in School - Whole School (Led by Y6)
Wednesday 21 st July	Last day of school year for children

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