



Christ is our light

All Souls' Catholic
PRIMARY SCHOOL

19th September 25

NEWSLETTER

Attendance

Attendance for the week ending 12th September 2025:

Year R	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Whole School	Whole School Year to date
98.7%	98.6%	98.6%	99.7%	97.8%	96.3%	99.3%	98.3%	98.1%

Late marks recorded for the week ending 19th September 2025

	Mon 15/09	Tue 16/09	Wed 17/09	Thu 18/09	Fri 19/09	Total
L (before 9:15am)	0	3	2	1	1	7
U (after 9:15am)	0	0	0	0	1	1

Minutes of education lost this week through lateness: **135**

Number of different children late this week: **5**

StudyBugs Parental Take-up: 88% (up 2% on last week)

In you aren't yet registered, please use the following link to get started:

<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>

Late Collections

In recent months there has been a significant increase in the number of children who have been collected late at the end of the school day or after extra-curricular clubs. Whilst we understand that there are instances, outside of parental control, and genuine emergencies which may result in a late collection, it is not acceptable for children to be collected late on a regular basis, which can be distressing for children and cause significant anxiety. It is also unfair on school staff for whom supervising children outside the hours of the school day is not part of their contracted duties. From this term we are implementing a 'late collection' form which adults arriving late to collect children will be asked to complete, for each child they are collecting, before departing. This will help us to better identify any patterns or trends to offer support and therefore further safeguard the wellbeing of the children. Thank you for your understanding.

Please respect the residents of Abercorn Road

This week, we have received several complaints from residents on Abercorn Road regarding driveways being blocked by parents and carers during school drop-off and pick-up times. In one instance, a resident was unable to leave their property for twenty minutes, causing a significant delay to their work commute. The same driveway was then blocked again later that day, preventing the resident from accessing their property upon returning home.

Please take a moment to consider how frustrating and inconvenient this would be if you were in their position.

Blocking driveways is not acceptable at any time, even for a few minutes. Most homes near the school have clearly marked driveways with dropped kerbs, making it easy to identify access points that must be kept clear.

We are fortunate that Fr Paul generously provides access to the church car park, which is just a short walk from the school. We strongly encourage all families to make use of this facility. Maintaining positive relationships with our neighbours is important, and above all, the safety of our children must remain a top priority. We kindly ask that everyone parks considerately, drives at a safe and sensible speed, and avoids sudden or risky manoeuvres such as three-point turns. These small actions help keep our families safe and demonstrate respect for those living nearby.

Thank you for your continued cooperation and support.

Forthcoming Dates for your Diary – those next week are in **bold** type:

Date(s):	Time(s):	What:
23/09/2025	9:30am	Years 3 & 6 Class Mass
23/09/2025	PM	Group of KS2 children – Swim Safe open water swimming session
23/09/2025	3:30pm	Phonics workshop for parents of children in Reception
24/09/2025	All Day	Flu Immunisation (Nasal) Team in School
29/09/2025	AM	Year 3/4 Girls Tag Rugby Competition
29/09/2025	PM	Year 5/6 Girls Tag Rugby Competition
30/09/2025	9:30am	Years 1 & 5 Class Mass
01/10/2025	9:00am	Author Visit to school: Aaron Ashmore
02/10/2025	All day	School photos day – details to follow
02/10/2025	AM	Year 5 Fan the Flame pilgrimage (Holy Family Church)
03/10/2025	All Day	CAFOD – Brighten Up <u>For Harvest day</u> – details to follow
03/10/2025	Evening	PTA Chocolate Bingo
05/10/2025	9:30am	School Celebration Mass
06/10/2025	All Day	Group of Year 5 children – Maths Challenge at Princethorpe College
07/10/2025	9:30am	Years 2 & 4 Class Mass
08/10/2025	PM	Inspiring Athletes Afternoon – details to follow
14/10/2025	9:30am	Whole School Harvest Mass
16/10/2025		School Nurse <u>in to se</u> Year 6 – Health Questionnaire
19/10/2025	9:30am	Year 3 First Holy Communion Commitment Mass
21/10/2025	9:30am	Years 3 & 6 Class Mass
25/10-2/11	ALL DAY	HALF-TERM HOLIDAYS

QUESTION OF THE WEEK!

How would you make someone at All Souls' smile?



Join us for Chocolate Bingo!

The PTA are delighted to invite you and your families to our upcoming **Chocolate Bingo** evening, taking place on **Friday 3rd October from 5:00–7:00pm in the school hall.**

What is Chocolate Bingo?

Chocolate Bingo is a fun-filled family event where participants play traditional bingo games — but with a sweet twist! Instead of cash prizes, winners walk away with delicious **chocolate treats** of all shapes and sizes. It's always a popular event with the children (and adults!) and a great way to bring our school community together.

Entry is £1 per game per person - please make payment via our PTA website <https://all-souls-catholic-primary-pta.sumupstore.com> and use your child's full name and year group as the payment reference to help us match bookings easily. We'd love to see as many families as possible join us for what promises to be a fantastic evening of fun, laughter, and chocolate galore! Hot dogs will be available for purchase. A tuck shop will be open for children. Adults can also enjoy a licensed bar with a selection of alcoholic beverages. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with the PTA team via I your year group PTA representative.

 Chocolate prizes
  Hot dogs
  Tuck shop
  Licensed bar

Visiting Author

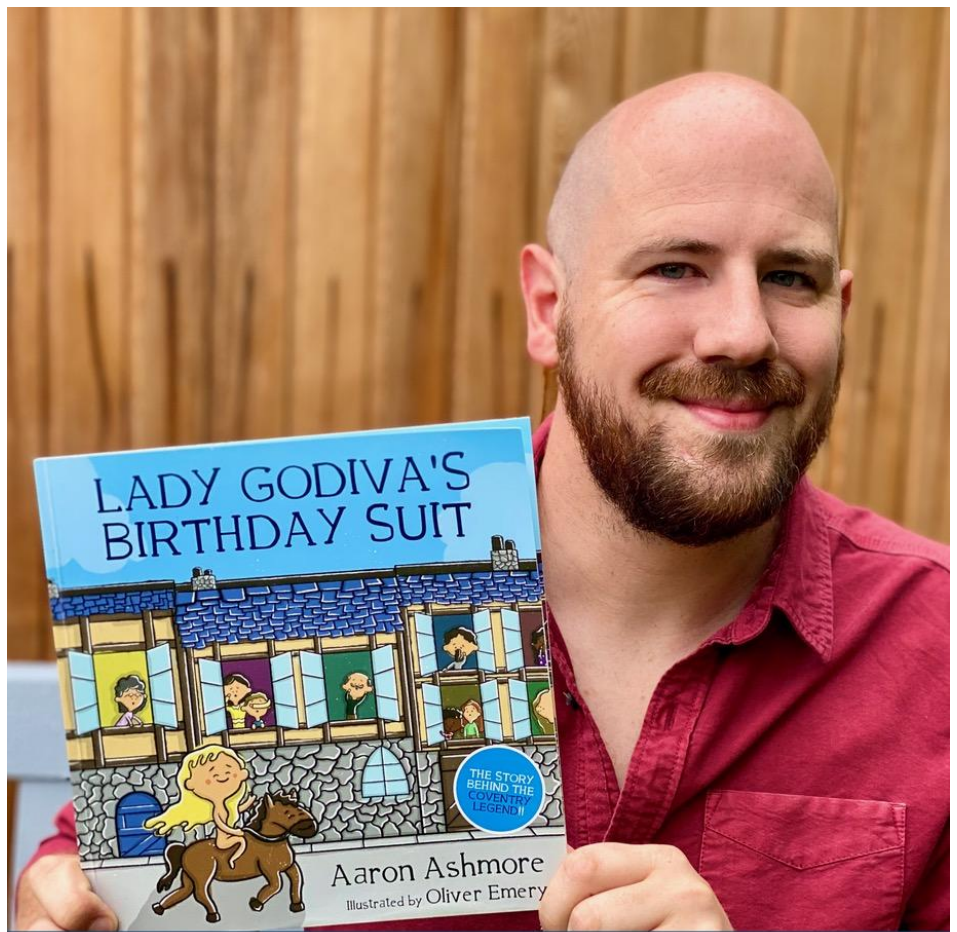
On Wednesday 1st October, local author Aaron Ashmore will be visiting our School to talk to the pupils about his love for Coventry, being an author and sharing some tips for the budding writers!

To celebrate the visit, Aaron has kindly offered a discounted rate of £5 for signed copies of his Coventry books (normally £8) which he will bring with him on the day of the visit.

If you would like to order books, please complete the letter attached to the newsletter, send the correct money in an envelope with the form detailing the book/s you would like to order, including the name of your child, so we can ensure the correct books are given to the children.

You can see the Coventry books that Aaron has available to order here:

<https://etchandpin.co.uk/books>



Inspiring Athlete

We are thrilled to be able to share some more information about an upcoming Great Athletes event. We can't reveal just yet who our special guest will be... but we promise the children will find out on **Wednesday!**

On the event day (Wednesday 8th October), all pupils will take part in a sponsored fitness circuit led by our visiting athlete – a terrific way to get everyone moving, having fun, and realising just how exciting sport can be! Afterwards, the athlete will share their incredible sporting journey – a story of resilience, determination, and inspiration – during an interactive assembly. To finish, there will be a special Q&A session where children can ask their burning questions directly to our role model guest.

Fundraising for the event will begin next week when pupils bring home their sponsorship forms. The money raised will go towards purchasing new sports equipment and helping us to improve physical activity levels across our school.

We look forward to finding out who our inspiring athlete is on Wednesday and for a special sports fundraising day on Wednesday 8th October.

Remembrance Day – 9th November 2025

There will be a Remembrance Day Service and Parade on Sunday 9th November 2025 at 10.30am in the War Memorial Park. Each year the service ensures that memories of ex-service men and women from WW1, WW2 and more recent wars are not forgotten. It would be lovely to see our children and their families share in this event.





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NURSERYADMISSION

2026-27 NOW OPEN

About our School Nursery

All Souls' Nursery, in the heart of Chapelfields, provides a stimulating and supportive environment where children can grow, thrive, and discover their potential. With a creative curriculum, dedicated 'Forest School,' and generous outdoor space, we offer the perfect setting for learning through exploration and fun.

We offer five morning sessions each week, Monday to Friday, 8:30 – 11:30am during term time. Places are available on the basis of attending all five sessions.

For families needing extended care, we also provide afternoon sessions with wraparound care from 7:45am to 5:45pm through All Sorts - our on-site pre-school (subject to availability).

**To apply for a place, please complete the form
or scan the QR code below.**

<https://forms.gle/qhhSsfW8ST2T7VYs9>

The closing date for Nursery applications is
Friday 13th February 2026



All Souls School, Abercorn Road, Coventry, CV5 8ED • Tel +44(0)24 7667 5836
email admin@souls.coventry.sch. www.allsoulsschool.co.uk

Year 5 Visit to the Spirit Bridge Art Studios

As part of Coventry Heritage Month, Year 5 had a fantastic morning learning about our local area and all things art and animation on their visit to Spirit Bridge Art Studio at the Canal Basin.

The animation team treated us to a tour of the repurposed industrial buildings, a live art tutorial, an exclusive preview of their latest animation series and a special visit from Bucky The Unicorn Bear!

A huge thank you to the team at Spirit Bridge Studios. We can't wait for the official book launch of Bucky The Unicorn Bear and The Elves of Christmas Eve, this coming Saturday. Get your copy before it sells out!



<https://spiritbridgestudio.com/bucky-the-unicorn-bear/#>

Are your contact details correct? Please remember to inform us of any changes, for example, if you change address, have new emergency contacts or a new work telephone number. Email the office – admin@souls.coventry.sch.uk - with the new details so we can update these for you. Thank you!

Beginners' Irish Language Course

Autumn 2025

With Irish language teacher and Journalist, Dr Ian Malcolm.

5 week online course | October - November 2025 - £70

Registration closes
30 September!



Please contact us at cis@covirishsoc.org.uk or telephone 024 7625 6629 to obtain a booking form.

Early booking is strongly recommended.



Find out more online

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Bigé linn!

Ciorcal Comhra - Conversation Circle

Beidh deis agat do chuid Gaeilge a chleachtadh le cupán tae nó caife.

First Wednesday of the month
11am - 12 noon

The Coventry Irish Society
2nd Floor, Eaton House
Eaton Road

Saor in aisce
(free - no
booking!)



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An introduction to the School Nursing Team

A GUIDE FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENTS

The Coventry School Nursing service provides vital resources enabling you to build your child's emotional and mental resilience. As your child grows so do their needs. This guide aims to support you and your child during the primary school years, building on the support you received from the health visiting service.

PARENTING SUPPORT

Parenting can pose challenges as you guide your child through the various stages of Primary School. The School Nursing team are here to assist by providing guidance, referrals, and connections to suitable agencies.

Below are parenting videos the school nursing team have created in response to many parents requesting support in these areas. Additionally we also offer hearing screening clinics for reception aged children.

Toileting Advice



Sleeping Tips



Behaviour Challenges



Understanding Anxiety



Challenges in Eating



Hearing Screening

Did you know that we offer free audiology clinics for children in reception class? For further information, please contact the team via email address in the footer.



WWW.NHS.UK



Explore the NHS website for detailed information on healthcare services, medical advice and support resources.



SCAN HERE

ChatHealth for parents in Coventry
07507 329114



ChatHealth is a free service for parents to send confidential SMS messages to School Nurses for impartial health advice and support. Available anytime, replies are provided during opening hours (9am - 4:30pm, Monday to Friday) for various health issues.

01926 495321 Ext 7494

swg-tr.contactschoolnursescoventry@nhs.net



ChatHealth: 07507 329 114 (Parent Line)

ChatHealth: 07507 331 949 (For 11-19 year olds)



Coventry School Nursing Team



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SCHOOL NURSE SUPPORT SERVICES

Alongside the support services outlined on page one, we also provide the following:

- Nutritional and dietary support
- Delivering the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) for reception and year 6 students
- Puberty advice
- Year 6 Health Questionnaires
- Emotional well-being and relaxation advice
- Parent health questionnaires (completed the summer term before your child starts school).
- Social media: we regularly share advice and information about our services on our social media pages (links provided in the footer).
- School Nurse Newsletters: we regularly distribute newsletters through schools, covering various topics and providing health and lifestyle advice.

IF YOU HAVE ANY OF THE BELOW CONCERNS, CONTACT...

Pharmacist & Self Care

Grazes, cold Symptoms, sore/sticky eyes, sore throat, cold sores, diarrhoea or constipation, indigestion, aches and pains, repeat prescription service.



Dentist

Tooth pain, swelling to your mouth, injury to your mouth, pain or bleeding gums, and advice on oral hygiene.



Optician

Blurred vision, pain in or around your eye, reduced vision, flashes, and floaters.



GP

A range of clinicians, including doctors, nurses and sometimes physiotherapists to help you with both mental and physical health issues.



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If you need non-emergency advice or same-day attention when your GP is unavailable, call NHS 111-24/7.



Minor Injuries Unit

Cuts and minor burns, sprains and strains, suspected broken bones and fractures.



A&E or 999

Suspected heart attack or stroke, chest pain, breathing difficulties, severe bleeding, unconscious, serious burns.



Testicular Torsion Awareness

Testicular Torsion is a serious emergency that occurs when the testes twist, resulting in severe pain. If your son complains of sudden severe testicle pain or testicle pain for more than an hour, go to A&E.

More info



DID YOU KNOW?

What are the Year 6 Questionnaires?

We offer all year 6 students the opportunity to complete a health questionnaire about them. They will receive a health care plan to support them with making healthy choices. All health questionnaires are reviewed and if required the student will be given the opportunity to speak to one of the school nurses.



HOW TO CONTACT YOUR SCHOOL NURSING TEAM



The school nursing service operates Monday to Friday 9am - 4.30pm, excluding public and bank holidays. You can reach us using the contact details provided in the footer:

01926 495321 Ext 7494

swg-tr.contactschoolnursescoventry@nhs.net



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Hearing Screening Clinics for Reception Children



Did you know your child is entitled to a free hearing test whilst they are in reception class? Here are signs that may indicate hearing difficulties:

- Not responding when called
- Speaking very loudly
- Frequently asking for repetitions or responding inappropriately
- Increasing volume on devices
- Appearing to daydream
- Slow to learn or unclear speech
- Frequent frustration or aggression

New Reception Starters from September 2025

September

**Tuesday 30th
September 2025**
9:00am - 4:30pm
**Moat Family
Hub, Deedmore
Road
CV2 1EQ**

October

Monday 27th October 2025
9:00am - 3:30pm
**Central Library , West Orchard
Way, Coventry CV1 1FY**

Tuesday 28th October 2025
9:00am - 3:15pm
**Woodside Family Hub,
Upper Ride, Willenhall,
Coventry CV3 3GL**

November

**Tuesday 11th
November 2025**
9:00am - 4:00pm
**Mosaic Family
Hub, Jardine
Crescent,
Coventry
CV4 9PL**

To book an appointment, contact the School Nursing team using the details below. Please include the following details: child's full name, child's date of birth, school attended by the child, contact email address, telephone number and preferred clinic location and date.



Main contact tel: 01926 495321 Ext 7494



Email: Swg-tr.contactschoolnursescoventry@nhs.net

THE SCHOOL COUNCIL PRESENTS

SILENT SPOOKTACULAR DISCO

THURSDAY 23RD OCTOBER 2025

SAVE THE DATE - MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW



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COSTUMES OPTIONAL! PLEASE ENSURE THEY ARE APPROPRIATE: NO WEAPONS, BLOOD OR FROM TV/FILMS THAT ARE NOT SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN (E.G., SQUID GAMES, HORROR FILMS). THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

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The WINTER Warmer

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FRIDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2025

In The Main Hall
3.15PM - 6PM