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2nd November 2025

Dear parents,

I hope that you have all had an enjoyable week. Now it is the start of what is the busiest half term of the year!

Before I begin with forthcoming events, I would like to thank you for your overwhelming attendance to school events last term. The number of you able to attend parents' evening and open classroom events was amazing, demonstrating your commitment to supporting your child's education - we thank you for this.

Celebrations from last half term:

On 29th September **we formally celebrated joining the St Gabriel the Archangel Multi-Academy Trust.** We are one of 64 schools within this trust, the second largest in the UK. Two of our Liturgical Leaders represented the school at a Mass, held in St Austin's Church, Stafford. Thank you to them for being fantastic ambassadors for our school and for bringing back the St Gabriel lantern, depicting the school crests of each of the 64 schools in our new trust family.



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In order to operate effectively, the MAT has been split into 3 regions – we are joined with the other Wolverhampton schools and those in Dudley to form Region 3. Key improvement partners have visited the school and are getting to know us quickly. Please see the MAT website for more information about the structure and organisation: <https://www.sgacmat.co.uk/> Our school remains in need of a Foundation Governor (this needs to be a practising Catholic). If you are interested, please see Mrs Davis for further information.

The Harvest donations for the Good Shepherd were exceptional again this year. Thank you to all for the difference that you have made. Thank you to all of the Liturgical leaders for leading us in the Harvest celebration and to the St Thomas More Ambassadors for packing and sharing the food with Brother Charles from The Brothers of The Good Shepherd – a van bursting at the seams this year!



Black History Month

This October we have been taking time to celebrate the history, achievements and contributions of Black people globally. Children of all ages have learned about some key figures and considered issues of racial inequality and how to prevent these today and in the future. Key figures we have learned about include Rosa Parkes, Dr Martin Luther King, Mae C. Jamison, Barak Obama and Katherine Johnson. Ask your child about their learning.



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Please keep an eye on our Instagram account to see our ongoing celebrations, visits and achievements.



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MarvellousMe has now come to an end and you should have received some logon information for a company called Juniper. Please download this app for future communications. At present there will only be general communication sent via this app as there have been a few teething complications, with emergency contacts receiving accounts for children. It is only parents that should be receiving account information. Please be assured that no personal data can be accessed. This should soon be rectified – please let us know if you spot any problems with your account setup.



Coming up...

As we journey towards Christmas, we have many things to look forward to. Please see the busy calendar attached. Please note, the Carol Service is held in church and pupils involved are from Y2 and above only. This is so we can fit parents in who wish to attend. **Y1 pupils will treat us** with some Christmas songs of their own as part of the **assembly on Friday 12th December**.



Fundraising for the British Legion

We have not yet received any poppy merchandise this year. It is likely to arrive at some point tomorrow. A message will be sent regarding availability. We start with the youngest children as these have not had previous opportunities.

Multi-skills with Soccer 2000 is now available for pupils who have registered interest from **St Martin's class** for this half term. A link has been sent by text to register your interest or you can click here: <https://forms.gle/uK8tg5KVMA6aiqzAA>

Assemblies with the PCSO: Our local PCSO will be in school this half term, delivering assemblies and workshops to all of our children. Nursery and Reception will be focusing on 'People who help us', whilst KS1 children will talk about 'Keeping safe/strangers.' Pupils in LKS2 (Y3/4) will discuss 'Keeping safe online' whilst UKS2 (Y5/6) will focus on 'Anti-bullying, including



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knife crime'. These sessions are all delivered in an age appropriate manner – please ask if you have any queries.



Christmas Season Events – Please see the calendar for the range of Christmas Liturgical Celebrations. In addition to these, we will be focusing our charitable work on World Gifts. Each year we ask for contributions to the CAFOD World Gifts rather than children to spending money on Christmas Cards. This also supports our continued aims as a Live Simply school to protect the planet with reduced waste and production of short-term consumables as well as showing children that they can have an impact on the standards of living for their brothers and sisters across the world. More details to follow in a couple of weeks. We will also be supporting the **REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR** appeal – where we will ask for a toiletry donation to support the needy. More information closer to the time.

In addition to these events, the PTFA will be arranging some Christmassy activities for pupils at the end of term.

We will also be supporting fund raising for St Anthony's Church through their Christmas raffle – one raffle ticket book will be sent home per family. Please return these if you do not wish to participate as additional books are always sought by others.



Finally, as we move into a colder season, please ensure **that ALL UNIFORM and COATS are freshly labelled with your child's name**. We have a full lost property basket of items with no labels.



Don't forget – children to wear **ODD SOCKS on Monday 10th November** to mark the start of antibullying week – the sillier the better. This is to be worn with usual school uniform.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Kind regards,

Mrs T Davis



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Dates for your diary (new items indicated by *)

Wednesday 5 th November	Reception Parents – phonic workshop 9-10am – please confirm your attendance: https://forms.gle/8k3gcmMi2bTKT1kJ6
*Thursday 6 th November	Play Leader training 10-12pm with Soccer 2000
Thursday 6 th November 	2:30pm Service of Light Y6 pupils preparing for Confirmation – parents to attend <i>(Baptism candles needed – please send with your child if you are not able to attend)</i>
Friday 7 th November	St Bernadette's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Monday 10 th November 	Odd Socks Day (Start of Anti-bullying week – theme 'Power for Good'). Pupils to wear odd socks with their school uniform to celebrate being different.
*Monday 10 th November	PCSO Workshops for St Patrick's and St Bernadette's
*Tuesday 11 th November	Short Remembrance Services across the school 11am
*Thursday 14 th November	PCSO assembly Y5/6
Friday 14 th November	St Patrick's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
*Friday 21 st November	Jubilee Year finale – online event whole school 9:30-10am
Friday 21 st November	St John Bosco's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
*Tuesday 25 th November	PCSO Workshops for St Veronica's, St Martin's and St John Bosco
Friday 29 th November	St Martin's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Monday 1 st December	Vaccine catch-up session YR – Y6
Wednesday 3 rd December	9:30am Mass for the start of Advent
Wednesday 3 rd to Friday 5 th December	Y6 ARTHOG Adventurous Activity Residential
Friday 5 th December	St Veronica's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Wednesday 10 th December	Morning Nursery and Reception - St Francis Nativity performance and family craft session 9:15-10:30am.
Wednesday 10 th December	Afternoon and 30-hour Nursery and Reception - St Joseph Nativity performance and family craft session 1:45-3pm
Friday 12 th December	Christmas Jumper day (non-uniform) Reverse Advent Calendar Day – we will be asking for donations to support Fr Hudson's Homes – more information closer to the time
*Friday 12 th December	PCSO Workshops for Holy Family (YN), St Joseph's and St Francis
Friday 12 th December 	Y1 Mini Christmas Performance at the end of celebration assembly – Y1 parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.



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Wednesday 17 th December	Reception/KS1 Christmas disco party 2pm; KS2 disco party 3:15 – 4:30pm. All children to come to school in their party clothes (<i>Nursery will share their own date for their Christmas party</i>)
*Wednesday 17 th December	PCSO Workshop for St Mary Magdalene
Thursday 18 th December	Carol Service Years 2-6 only - 2pm in church (parents welcome)
Friday 19 th December	Mass 9:30am – parents welcome
Friday 19 th December 	Break up for Christmas – early finish 2:15pm; (Nursery 2:30pm)
Monday 22/12 – Fri 2/1	SCHOOL CLOSED – CHRISTMAS BREAK
Monday 5 th January	Back to school
Tuesday 6 th January	Epiphany Mass 10am followed by classroom blessings
*Thursday 8 th January	PCSO Workshops for St Maximilian, St Cecilia and St Stephen
Friday 9 th January	Class newsletters sent home with relevant dates and curriculum information
Tuesday 13 th January	Parents' meeting for Y3 preparing for First Holy Communion 3:15-3:45pm
Friday 16 th January	St Francis's class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Friday 23 rd January	St Joseph's class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Friday 30 th January	St Stephen's class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Friday 6 th February	St Cecilia's class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Wednesday 10 th February	Parents' Evening 3:40-6:30pm
Thursday 11 th February	Parents' Evening 4-7pm
Friday 13 th February	SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY
Monday 16 th – Friday 20 th February	SCHOOL CLOSED – HALF TERM (<i>Ash Wednesday 18th February when children are not in school</i>)
Wednesday 25 th February	9:30am Lent Mass – parents welcome
Thursday 26 th February 	6pm Y6 Sacrament of Confirmation
Thursday 5 th March	World Book Day – children to dress as book characters (<i>please ask if support is needed as we have a number of costumes available</i>).
Friday 6 th March	St Maximilian's class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Wednesday 11 th March	Reception Parents – Phonic Workshop 9-10am
Friday 13 th March	St Mary Magdalene's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Friday 20 th March	St Bernadette's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.



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Thursday 26 th March 	Y3 Sacrament of Reconciliation 1:30-3pm in church – parents welcome. <i>This is mostly a silent service – parents do not need to be present but are of course welcome.</i>
Friday 27 th March	Whole school Mass 9:30am – parents welcome
Friday 27 th March 	Break up for Easter – early finish 2:15pm; (Nursery 2:30pm)
Monday 30/3-Friday 10/4	SCHOOL CLOSED – EASTER HOLIDAY <i>Holy Week occurs during the school holiday again this year</i>
Monday 13 th April	Back to school
Friday 17 th April	9:30am Easter Mass – parents welcome
Monday 20 th April	Open Classroom Nursery 12:45pm (<i>Parents will be invited in once pupils have come through the gates and settled in</i>)
Tuesday 21 st April	Open Classroom Reception 2:20pm
Wednesday 22 nd April	Open Classroom Nursery 8:50am (<i>Parents will be invited in once pupils have come through the gates and settled in</i>)
Friday 24 th April	St Patrick's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35pm for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Monday 27 th April	Open Classroom KS1 2:30pm
Monday 27 th April	Open Classroom UKS2 9-9:30am
Thursday 30 th April	Open Classroom LKS2 9-9:30am
Friday 1 st May	St John Bosco's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35pm for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Monday 4 th May	BANK HOLIDAY – School closed
Tuesday 5 th May	Culture Day - non-uniform day to celebrate diversity of the community. This will underpin learning and experiences provided during the day.
Friday 8 th May	St Martin's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35pm for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Saturday 9 th May 	Y3 First Holy Communion service – 10am
Monday 11 –Thurs 14/5	Y6 SATS Test week
Friday 15 th May	St Veronica's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Thursday 21 st May	Crowning Mary Celebration in church 2:15pm – children are asked to bring in fresh flowers. Parents welcome.
Friday 22 nd May	INSET DAY – School closed
Monday 25/5-Friday 29/5	SCHOOL CLOSED – HALF TERM
Monday 1 st June	Y4 multiplication check fortnight
Monday 8 th June	Y1 phonic screening assessment week (+ Y2 resits)
Friday 12 th June	St Anthony's Feast Day – Mass 9:30am
Friday 12 th June	St Francis's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.



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Friday 19 th June	St Joseph's Class assembly – parents welcome – enter at 2:35 for a prompt start. We will not be able to accommodate late comers.
Monday 22 nd June	Sports Day: YN 8:45; YR 9:45; KS1 11; KS2 1:30pm
Thursday 25 th June	Reserve sports day
Monday 29/6-Friday 3/7	Y6 transition (most secondary schools hold their transition events this week) Y6 pupils who are onsite to attend in games kit Monday-Thursday – sessions with Soccer 2000 Reception to Y5 pupils visit their new classes for September
Friday 3 rd July	Class talent shows (all ages). <i>Children (who would like to) are to prepare a short act to share a talent to their class. Costume and props can be brought in along with music clips. Etc. Please ask if you are not sure. Class to vote 2 acts per class to go to the final next week.</i>
Wednesday 8 th July	Theatre Club production 6:45pm
Wednesday 8 th July	End of year reports to parents
Friday 10 th July	Whole school talent show 1:30pm – <i>sadly we cannot invite parents as we do not have the space.</i>
Monday 13 th July	1:30pm Garden Party for the Parishioners – served by Y6
Wednesday 15 th July	Y6 leavers disco and food 5:45pm followed by parents' bistro at 7:15pm. 2 parents ONLY can attend – <i>this is a chance to watch an assembly/performance of your Y6 children and a chance to take photos. Snacks/drinks provided.</i>
Friday 17 th July	9:30am Leavers' Mass – parents welcome
Friday 17 th July 	Break up for Summer– early finish 2:15pm; (Nursery 2:30pm)
Monday 20 th July	SCHOOL CLOSED – INSET DAY
Tuesday 21 st July	SCHOOL CLOSED – SUMMER HOLIDAY

School Term dates:

2025 - 2026

Autumn Term 2025

- Term Time: Monday 1 September 2025 to Friday 24 October 2025
- Half term: Monday 27 October 2025 to Friday 31 October 2025
- Term Time: Monday 3 November 2025 to Friday 19 December 2025

Spring Term 2026

- Term Time: Monday 5 January 2026 to Friday 13 February 2026
- Half term: Monday 16 February 2026 to Friday 20 February 2026
- Term Time: Monday 23 February 2026 to Friday 27 March 2026

Summer Term 2026

- Term Time: Monday 13 April 2026 to Friday 22 May 2026
- Half term: Monday 25 May 2026 to Friday 29 May 2026
- Term Time: Monday 1 June 2026 to Monday 20 July 2026



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INSET DAYS (School closed to pupils):

- Friday 13th February 2026
- Friday 22nd May 2026
- Monday 20th July 2026

Bank Holiday: Monday 4th May 2026

Early finish (2:15pm or 2:30pm for Nursery) -

- Friday 19th December '25
- Friday 27th February '26
- Friday 17th July '26



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