

Newsletter

Friday 16th January 2026



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Dear parents, pupils, governors, staff and parishioners,

Dates for the Diary – Year 3 Sacramental programme.

Sacramental Meeting for parents of pupils in Year 3 - Thursday 29th January 3.20pm
Sacramental enrolment Mass for First Reconciliation & First Holy Communion – Sunday 8th February at 11.30am
First Reconciliation – Friday 13th March – 2pm in church
First Holy Communion – Saturday 16th May at 10am (slight change of time)



Nursery Parent Workshop - Thank you.

Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined our Nursery Class for their 'Making Music session on Wednesday'. Everyone learnt about how making and listening to music helps children to develop good listening skills, brain and language development and the children had the chance to make their own instruments and join in with some wonderful music making! 😊 Please keep an eye out for any future sessions.



Future Scientists at Cardinal Newman

Year 5 were invited to our Secondary Feeder School, Cardinal Newman for an exciting science session in one of their laboratories. The children were asked to help solve the crime of who had stolen the school safe through carrying out a range of forensic investigations. The children loved taking part in this science investigation and using all the specialist equipment. Thank you to Cardinal Newman for providing this opportunity for our children to develop their science skills in this way.

New Course for Parents - Maths in the Primary School

Following on from the success of our 10-week parent course 'English in the Primary School' that several parents attended and enjoyed, we are pleased to be offering a new course 'Maths in The Primary School' for the spring term. This will be held every Monday morning from 9am - 11am for 10 weeks which started on 12th January 2026. The course aims to give parents more confidence in supporting their child with Maths, help you to understand the methods and vocabulary that the children are learning in school and provide you with games and activities to share at home. Please email school if you would like to be added to the group or speak to Miss Carey/Mrs Fowler on the gate as it is not too late to join.

Inclement Weather

Whilst we will always endeavour to keep school open if it is safe to do so, if we do need to close due to snowy weather, this will be communicated to parents via email and on our Twitter (X) feed as soon as possible. Please ensure contact details are up to date. Thank you.

Breakfast is Best It can be tough to get children up, ready and fed in time for school, childcare, but a good breakfast is important. Skipping breakfast can make children feel tired, restless, or irritable. In the morning, their bodies need to refuel for the day ahead. Their mood, concentration and energy can drop by midmorning if they don't eat something for breakfast. A number of children have shared with school staff recently that they have not had time for breakfast before school. Please can we urge all parents to check that their child has something to eat whether it is breakfast at home or something suitable to eat on their journey, like a cereal bar or some fruit. Thank you for your ongoing support.



Top Tweets (X) From This Week

First Lego club of this term! Children built some fantastic models 😊



Year 3 P.E - Yesterday afternoon, children learnt some basic partner balances.



The children created their very own calendars in the first art club of the year! They drew a picture for each season. Well done everyone 😊



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New Year Reminders

UNIFORM: The children are generally looking smart on return to school and in line with our winter uniform policy. **Just a reminder that all pupils in Key Stage 2 should be wearing a shirt and school tie.**

PE: Physical Education sessions with Mr Dingley are as follows this term: **Year 1 & 2 – Thursday Year 3 - Tuesday Year 4 – Friday Year 6 – Friday (Please note change).** Year 5 will be attending swimming lessons on Monday mornings at the Wave as their PE curriculum this half term.

Children may come to school in PE kits on their PE days – However this **MUST** be St Osburg's PE kit which consists of our logo PE T-Shirt worn with either a PE hoodie or School jumper/Cardigan. Black/grey bottoms and any trainers.

PUNCTUALITY

Our school day starts at 8.55am with learning activities available from 8.40am every day once the doors open. The number of children arriving late was high over the autumn term. Please can we make an effort to improve this. Children do not like walking into class or assembly late and it means they are missing out on learning too. Persistent lateness could result in a penalty fine from the Local Authority.

UPPER HILL ST

Please can we urge all parents and grandparents to drive and park safely outside school. It is a very narrow and busy road at drop off and collection times. Please take special care when the children are crossing the road, do not drive fast, park on zig-zags or allow children to jump out in the middle of the road. All children should be wearing seat belts or in car seats suitable for their age and height. Thank you for helping to keep all our children safe.

HEALTHY PACKED LUNCH

Please can we remind parents to try to ensure that they are sending a healthy lunchbox into school if their child is on packed lunch. There should not be any sweets, chocolate bars or fizzy drinks. Dentists also recommend that the best drink for children is water, non-sugar squash or milk at lunch time as even fruit juices contain a high amount of natural sugars that would then be present on teeth until they are cleaned (probably not until bedtime). Thank you for your support and co-operation.



Attendance & Punctuality – Whole school for this week: 93.6%. Please ensure your child arrives on time each day as there are 30 late marks this week.

Mrs Roberts Year R		Miss Doran		Mrs Oluermi Year 2		Mr Dingley Year 3		Mrs Bardell/Mrs Crowley Year 4		Mr Jordan Year 5		Mrs McDevitt Year 6	
86.3%	8 lates ☹️	97.1%	1 late	97.6%	8 lates ☹️	88.5%	4 lates	98.9%	2 lates	90%	2 lates	96.8%	5 lates ☹️

Next week at a glance:

Date	Time	Activity
Monday 19 th Jan 2026 Y5 Swimming– PE kits	9am	Mission Assembly
	3.15-4pm	Creative Club (Y1/2)
	3.15-4pm	Lego Club (Y2,3,4,5)
	3.15-4.15pm	Netball Club (Y6)
Tuesday 20 th January Year 3 PE day	AM	Guitar lessons
	3.15-4pm	Coding Club Y3,4,5,6)
	3.30-4.15pm	Netball match v St Elizabeth's (Home)
	3.30-5pm	Governors – Quality & Standards Committee
Wednesday 21 st Jan	3.15-4.15pm	Pop Choir (Years 3,4,5,6)
	3.15-4.15pm	Football with Sky Blues (Y2,3,4)
	3.30-4.30pm	Netball match v St Thomas More (away)
Thursday 22 nd January Year R, 1 and 2 PE day	AM	Year 5 STEM workshop
	PM 3.15-4.45pm	Year 6 STEM workshop Football match v St John Vianney (away) NO football training (Y5,6)
Friday 23 rd January Year 4 & 6 PE day	9am	Assembly

Wishing you all a lovely weekend

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This term we are thinking especially about being **Curious & Active**

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