

18th September 2026

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NEWSLETTER



GOSPEL VALUES

During our Celebration Assembly this morning, we focused on the Gospel Value of Perseverance. We talked about how Jesus never gave up, even when He was tempted during His time of fasting and prayer in the desert.

We also enjoyed revisiting the story of The Hare and the Tortoise and thinking about how important it is to keep trying, even when we find things difficult. We reminded the children that we all have different gifts and talents, and that we should always make the most of them rather than take them for granted.

It was lovely to recognise three of our wonderful children this week who have been displaying our Gospel Values around school. A big well done to them for setting such a positive example to others!



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WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK

Monday

- Forest School Years 3-5
- Chess Club - after school

Tuesday

- LAMDA - Lunchtime
- Computing Club

Wednesday

- P.E. lessons
- Gardening Club - Lunchtime
- Little LAMDA's - Lunchtime
- Sports Club - after school

Thursday

- Toddler Group 9:30-11:00am

Friday

- Swimming Years 3-6
- PTA Cake Sale after school



PTA Meeting

The Parent Teacher Association held their Annual General Meeting on Tuesday evening and on behalf of the children, Mr Usher thanked them for all of their help and support over the past academic year. The children have enjoyed an abundance of trips, activities and new school equipment in order to enrich their learning experiences. The message was certainly for more of the same if funds allow! Thank you for supporting the many events that the PTA organise.

CAKE SALE

The first fund raising event to be organised by the PTA this year will be the Cake Sale. This will take place after school on Friday 25th September. Thank you in advance for your support!



CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY

The annual CAFOD Harvest Fast Day this year will be on Friday 2nd October. CAFOD is one of the school's chosen charities that we like to support during the school year. The theme this year is 'Love your neighbour, as yourself' and the children will be exploring this theme within their Religion lesson that week. In order to raise funds for CAFOD, we will be holding a Non-Uniform Day and ask that the children make a donation of £1.00.



PARENTS' MEETINGS

The teachers have contacted the parents of the children in their respective classes to arrange a mutually convenient time to meet next week. If any parents have not yet made an appointment, please speak to your child's class teacher as soon as possible. This will be a lovely opportunity to meet your child's teacher, hear a little more about the year ahead and discuss important information such as classroom routines, homework and general expectations. It will also provide an opportunity for parents to share anything that may be helpful for your child's teacher to know as we begin the year working together in partnership.

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

The photographer will be in school during the morning of Thursday 15th October.

EDUCATIONAL VISITS

The diary is starting to fill up with some educational visits that have been organised by the teachers.

On Friday 2nd October, the children in Key Stage 1 will be attending the Hat Museum in Stockport in order to enrich their learning on everything to do with hats! More details to follow from Mrs Jones and Miss McLoughlin.

On Monday 16th November, the children in Years 5 and 6 will be attending a Crucial Crew event in Stockport Town Centre where they will participate in workshops organised by the emergency services. Mr Usher and Mrs Attisha will be sending more details in due course.

There are a few more trips for this term in the pipeline. More details are to follow once arrangements have been finalised.

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK

Don't forget to check out and follow our Facebook page! We'll be sharing regular updates throughout the year, giving you a glimpse into all the exciting things the children have been getting up to in school. From special events and trips to classroom activities and celebrations, it's a lovely way to keep up with life at Stella Maris and celebrate the children's achievements with us.



HALLOWEEN DISCO

The annual Family Halloween Disco, organised by the PTA, will be held on Thursday 15th October from 6-7:30pm. All welcome!



ATTENTION YEAR 6 PARENTS

The deadline for applying for a secondary school place for September 2027 is 31 October 2026.

Please remember to complete the Stockport Council secondary school application, even if your child is sitting the grammar school entrance test or you are hoping for a grammar school place. It is important to name at least one state school as part of your application.

Apply and find further information here:
<https://www.stockport.gov.uk/secondary-school-application-dates>

Pre-Prep

This week in PP we have welcomed a new member of the class - Eoin. He has settled in so well and the other children have been so kind and helpful towards him. We have had a lot of fun playing at the tray table, finding out about colours by mixing and pouring. We have also talked about how important it is to share and take turns at school so that everyone can have fun and play together.

Key Stage 1

This week the children have been working on partitioning two digit numbers to understand their place value. They have been using the maths equipment to support them with this. In our literacy lessons we have been exploring the story of The Three Billy Goats Gruff which has been lots of fun!

Year 3

In English, the children have been busy sharpening their reading comprehension skills, mastering clever techniques like skimming and scanning to hunt down key words in a text with ease.

During maths, Year 3 have performed well displaying their understanding of place value, confidently comparing and ordering numbers well over 1,000

Finally in Science, we've been diving into our Keeping Healthy topic, exploring the wonderful world of vitamins—discovering where we find them and how they power our bodies to grow strong and stay healthy.

Year 5

The Year 5 children have had a brilliant week and have continued to give their best. In English, they have been revising and building upon their knowledge of fronted adverbials and expanded noun phrases, which they have applied when describing different settings from our class text, the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe. In Maths, we have been continuing with our unit on place value, and the children have been working hard on partitioning numbers to one million.

Year 6

Year 6 have been working hard on recognising and ordering numbers to ten million during their Maths lessons. In English, they've been looking at strategies to edit and improve sentences within their story openings. They loved their P.E lesson learning how to send and receive a rolling ball whilst on the move. Art was also enjoyable as they made their very own papyrus!

Extra Activities

Monday

Chess Club - Mr Usher - FREE
After-school (3.05pm-3.45pm)

Tuesday

Computing Club - Mr Brown FREE
After-school (3.05 pm – 3.45 pm)

Gardening Club - Mrs Jones - FREE
(Lunchtime for all ages)

Wednesday

Multi-Sports Club - An after-school club led
by coaches from Stockport County C.T. -
Years 1-6 - £3.50 per session (3.05 pm – 4 pm)

Speech Club - Mrs Mesagno - £8.00 per
sessions (Lunchtime for Year 1-6)

Thursday

Art Club - Mrs Baldwin - £10 per session
(Lunchtime club for all ages.)

SCHOOL BANK DETAILS

The account number is 01287257 (ref: child's
name)

The sort code is: 01-08-38

PTA BANK DETAILS

The account number is: 49669060.

The sort code is: 30-54-66.

