

25th September 2026

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NEWSLETTER

GOSPEL VALUES

During our Celebration Assembly this week, we focused on the Gospel Value of 'Courtesy' and reflected on how small acts of kindness can make such a big difference within our school community. We talked about the importance of using simple words such as 'please', 'thank you' and 'sorry', and how these small words show respect, kindness and consideration for others. It was lovely to remind the children that courtesy is something we can all practise every day, helping to make our school a happy, welcoming and caring place for everyone.

We were delighted to celebrate three children who have been putting our Gospel Values into practice and making a positive difference within our school community. Their kindness and thoughtful actions have not gone unnoticed, and we are very proud of the example they are setting for others. A huge well done to all three!



WHAT'S ON NEXT WEEK

Monday

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

Tuesday

- LAMDA - Lunchtime
- Computing Club

Wednesday

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

Thursday

- Toddler Group 9:30-11:00am
- Guitar lessons
- Art club - Lunchtime

Friday

- KS1 at the Hat Museum
- CAFOD Harvest Fast Day
- Non-Uniform Day (£1 donation)
- Swimming Years 3-6
- PTA Cake Sale after school

Parents' Meeting

Thank you to all the parents who have attended our parent meetings this week. The meetings have been a really useful opportunity for teachers to get to know you and your child a little better, and to share important information as we begin the year together. We hope that parents have found them equally helpful and informative. If you have not yet had the opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher, please contact them as soon as possible to arrange a convenient time.



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CAKE SALE

Thank you for supporting the Cake Sale organised by the PTA this afternoon. We'll have a grand total of how much was raised in the newsletter next week.

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Rev Liz Rowles and the parishioners of St. John's Church would like to extend a warm welcome to our school community this coming Sunday, 27th September at 11:15am. During the service, there will be a special collection in aid of Wellspring. All donations will be greatly received.

CAFOD HARVEST FAST DAY

A gentle reminder that our CAFOD Harvest Fast Day will take place next Friday, 2nd October. As part of our fundraising, we will be holding a Non-Uniform Day and we kindly ask children to bring in a £1 donation to support CAFOD and its work with communities in need. Thank you, as always, for your continued generosity and support.

DAILY MILE

The Daily Mile walk continues to be very popular with the children and staff. Parents are very welcome to join us at 9:00am each morning. Now that we are entering the autumn season, the children have been reminded that they must have appropriate footwear and a warm coat if they wish to participate.



SECRET READER

We are delighted to continue our Secret Reader initiative in Pre-Prep and Key Stage 1! Each Tuesday afternoon, Mrs Jones welcomes a special guest into school to share a favourite story with the children — and we would love to invite more parents, grandparents and family members to take part.

Reading to children is such a wonderful way to nurture a love of books, develop listening and language skills, spark imagination and create special memories together. Having a familiar grown-up from our school community come in to read also makes the experience particularly exciting for the children, especially when they don't know who their Secret Reader will be!

If you would like to be our next Secret Reader, please speak to Mrs Jones. We would be delighted to welcome you into school and share the magic of a good story with the children!



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SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS

Please note that there has been a change to the date for when the photographer will be in school. Photographs will now take place on Tuesday 13th October.



HALLOWEEN DISCO

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

SCHOOL NATIVITY

The children's annual performance of the Nativity will take place on Wednesday 16th December starting at 7:00pm at St. John's Church.

YEAR 5 + 6 RESIDENTIAL

The Residential has been booked from 14th to the 16th April and all pupils in Years 5 and 6 are invited to attend. A letter with further details will be sent home next week.

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>

SCHOOL AGED IMMUNISATION PROGRAMME

Please be aware that there has been a change to the consent process for the School Aged Immunisation Programme, organised by Intrahealth. Intrahealth are now using a new digital tool called Mavis, and consent forms will be sent directly to parents of pupils.

The immunisation session has been booked for Monday 2nd November. Please look out for an email from the Intrahealth team with further information and details of how to provide consent.



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Pre-Prep

This week in Pre-Prep we started work on the story of The Gingerbread Man. We have listened to the story and enjoyed joining in with the rhyme. We have begun work on a large display depicting the story, so far we have made a winding road, a cottage and a river. Watch this space as we fill the scene with the characters from the story next week.

Key Stage 1

The children in KS1 have been working really hard on their writing this week! They have retold the story of the Three Billy Goats Gruff and used brilliant descriptive words! In maths we have been challenging ourselves to make our own number lines and know when to use our equipment to solve difficult calculations. It's been a brilliant week all round with lots of progress made!

Year 3

Year 3 has been very focused this week!! In English, our young authors are bringing their creative stories to life using powerful dialogue verbs like whispered, boomed, and giggled rather than a simple 'said'. In Verbal Reasoning, the class has been showing off their growing skills by cracking tricky anagrams and learning that synonyms are words of similar meaning. Keep up the fantastic effort, Year 3!

Year 5

The Year 5 children have worked hard again in our lessons this week. In English, we have been exploring how figurative language can be used to create atmosphere and enhance our creative writing; whilst in Maths we have been comparing, ordering and rounding numbers, as well as recalling times tables facts daily. The children particularly enjoyed playing times tables Bingo!

Year 6

The children in Year 6 have worked really hard this week. In Maths, they have been working on addition and subtraction problems. In English they have learnt about parenthesis and how additional information can improve their sentences when writing stories. They are loving their Science lessons at the moment as they learn more about healthy foods for their bodies.

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.

