



St Catherine's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter

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Attendance

A fantastic start!

It has been a fantastic start to the year for attendance — thank you to all our families for helping children attend school regularly and arrive on time. Let's keep up the brilliant work!



Catholic Life

We began the new academic year with a joyful Mass led by Father Boniface. A child from each class presented a leaf carrying our hopes for pupils as they grow in faith, learning and friendship. Accompanied by Scripture, the leaves formed a beautiful symbol of our shared journey with God.

We are also proud to share that we have achieved the Participant Level of The Oscar Romero Award for Catholic Schools. The Award recognises the school's commitment to embedding Catholic Social Teaching across school life and truly

Don't forget you can keep up to date with all aspects of the Catholic Life of our school on our Ethos in Action blog.



Grandparents and Special Friends Mornings

We had a fantastic turnout for our Grandparents and Special Friends Mornings this morning. A huge thank you to all who joined us and we look forward to seeing more of you on Monday for our second morning.



Smartphone Free Childhood

Smartphone Free Childhood is a growing movement of families and schools working together to delay smartphone and social media use, giving children more time to play, grow and connect with the world around them.

Inspired by this national initiative, we have begun making early plans to move towards becoming a smartphone-free school in the future. We believe this approach will help protect childhood, strengthen wellbeing and support pupils to thrive socially and academically.

If you wish to find out more, there is a talk from a panel of experts taking place at **6.30pm on Monday 5th October**. A separate message will be sent out today with details of how to sign up.



Diary Dates

What's coming up...

SEPTEMBER

Mon
21



EYFS, Y2, Y3, Y5
Grandparents Morning
9.00am to 10.00am

Thur
24



Y4 Swimming

Fri
25



Y3 Forest School
French Afternoon

Mon
28



Marchants Hill
Information Meeting
for Y6 Parents/Carers

OCTOBER

Thur
1



Y4 Swimming

Thur
8



Y4 Swimming

Fri
9



Y3 Forest School

Mon
12
to
16



Y6 Marchants Hill
Residential Trip

More dates and information
can be found on our website.



Magic Show

We are inviting pre-school children and their families to a free magic show in the hall at **10.00am on Saturday 10th October 2026**.

Following the show, families will have the opportunity to enjoy a tour of the school and discover what makes St Catherine's such a special place to learn and grow. Children in our current Reception class and their families are also warmly invited to join us.

Please share with any families who may be looking for a school place next September — we would love to welcome them!

Please sign up using [this link](#).



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