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Mission Statement

'To educate each and every unique child in our care to hear and respond to what God calls them to be'



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Catholic Life Annual Theme: Pilgrims of Hope on the Path of Peace Termly Theme: 'In our care' Termly Catholic Social Teaching: The Option for the Poor Termly SJW Values: Eloquent and Truthful

This week in Weekly Worship...

"We focused on our Lent Launch. We listened to a reading that spoke about how we should always be loving and compassionate to those around us. This Lent as a school, we will be supporting the St Vicent de Paul Society. This is a charity that helps those in need in local communities or around the world by providing food, water and shelter. Throughout this Lenten period, we will have a Reverse Lenten Calendar, in which pupils from each form will bring in an item to donate to SVP. Instead of receiving, we will give and help those who don't have as much as us".

By Nikodem Jaron 9ILY

This week in Afternoon Prayer...

"We prayed for Ramadan. Ramadan is a time when our Muslim brothers and sisters fast for a month. We prayed they have the strength to get through this period of time. We also prayed for languages day. We thought about the 7,000 languages around the world and the importance of them. We also prayed for **Pilgrims of Hope**, thinking about how we can all be a source of **hope** to those around us. I like Afternoon Prayer as it is a chance for everyone to come together as a school community".

By Parampreet Singh 9ILY

Class Mass

"This week as a class we went to Mass at St Augustine's Catholic Church. I enjoyed this Mass as it is my local parish and the one I go to every Sunday. Fr Subba spoke to us about the importance of school and working hard so that we can be what we want to be in the future".

By Nikodem Jaron 9ILY

Dates to Note

- Year 11 Mock 2 Examinations
 Monday 24 February 2025 to Friday 7 March 2025
- Ash Wednesday
 Wednesday 5 March 2025
- World Book Day Thursday 6 March 2025

Birmingham Diocesan Education Service

Birmingham Diocesan Education Service are currently advertising the following vacancies:

- Operations Director
- IT Manager
- Finance Manager
- Gift Aid Officer

Full details and closing dates can be found at www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/jobs





Year 11 Mock 2 Timetable

Monday 03 March	Tuesday 04 March	Wednesday 05 March	Thursday 06 March	Friday 07 March
RE 2 1 Hour 30 mins	Maths 3 Calculator 1 hour 30 mins			
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Break		sh	P	Dr
History 2 EEE/SP	Geography 2 Human	Ash Wednesday	PE Practical	Art/Drama/Music
1 Hour 50 mins	1 Hour 30 mins	dnes	ictic	/Mus
Lunch		da	<u>a</u>	sic
GCSE PE 2	French Writing	₹		·
1 Hour	F 1 hour H 1hour 15 mins			
Catering & Hosp	Italian Writing			
1 Hour 20 mins	F 1 hour H 1hour 15 mins			
	Spanish Writing			
	F 1 hour H 1hour 15 mins			





Promoting safety at school

At our school, staff are committed to maintaining a safe and supportive environment. This includes the ability to search pupils with their consent for banned items such as weapons, drugs, cigarettes, and vapes. In certain cases, pupils may be searched without consent if there are reasonable grounds for suspicion. Pupils may also be screened using metal detectors to further ensure safety.

Additionally, the school may use drug search dogs as a tool not only to ensure a drug-free environment but also to educate students about the risks of drug use and raise awareness of related issues. The presence of these dogs can also highlight potential job opportunities in the field of law enforcement and animal training. Any prohibited or banned items found will be confiscated and disposed of, depending on the nature of the item. We follow strict guidelines to ensure searches are respectful and fair, with pupil wellbeing at the heart of what we do.

Later in this newsletter Mrs Ellis has written information that parents might like to use when tackling the topic of peer pressure.

As part of the school's values@ programme we regularly teach pupils about the risks and dangers of banned and/or illegal items including vapes, drugs and knives.

We also regularly cover these topics during tutor time and in weekly worship.

We aim to support pupils with making sensible and safe choices and we refer to our rewards and sanctions as explained in the school behaviour policy. We talk to our pupils about the law on possession of specific items too, this is to ensure our pupils understand the possible consequences inside and outside of school.

The behaviour policy is available online at <u>Saint John Wall Catholic School - Policies</u> if you would like to talk to your child about school expectations regarding safety and banned items.









Alton Castle Residential Trip

This week, 30 pupils from Year 7 and 8 spent 3 days in Alton Castle with the Kenelm Youth Trust. The theme for this year's trip was "Rooted", exploring how we can all grow as individuals just like how a tree grows from a small seed. The theme helped the pupils to think about their own unique gifts and talents and how they can grow as individuals. Each day, pupils had prayerful moments and reflections. They also took part in exciting activities including bike riding, survival, archery, trekking, low ropes and a night walk. It was fantastic to see all the pupils getting involved in all the activities and to see many grow in confidence over the few days. Thank you to all the Kenelm Youth Trust team at the Castle for providing such a wonderful opportunity for our pupils, they thoroughly enjoyed themselves. A big thank you to Mr Lloyd-Price and Miss Pollock for their support in planning and leading the trip. By Mr Lysaght

























Catholic Life

Visit to St Mary's Coffee Club

We have had fun today line dancing and playing chess. Pupils were very brave to volunteer for line dancing and were helpful collecting plates, cups and tidying up. Father Hilary was very impressed with Denis' Chess skills!

By Mrs Clayton





Class Mass

This month, we have continued to celebrate Mass each Thursday morning at St Augustine's. Thank you to all those pupils who have been **generous** in offering to read during Mass this month and to all pupils for showing they are **faith filled** in responding so well. Thank you also to our class teachers for their support with all Masses this month and to Fr Subba and the Parishioners for their warm welcome each Thursday morning.



Lent

This week, pupils in the Chaplaincy Teams worked on finding out more about Lent. This is the period of six weeks leading up to Easter, the most important festival in the Christian calendar. Lent will start next week on Ash Wednesday.

In their session, pupils found out more about Lent, thinking about Jesus' time in the desert. They reflected on different symbols of Lent including prayer, fasting and charity and how Lent is celebrated. Pupils were **curious and active** in thinking about what they can do this Lent to think about and help those around them.





Jubilee Display Board

When we returned after half term, pupils in our Year 8 team helped to create a new display board along the RE corridor. Pupils helped to take down the old display and created a new one all about the Jubilee Year and our yearly theme of Pilgrims of Hope on the Path of Peace. This display board is filled with lots of different things including information about the Jubilee, prayers and pictures from our Launch Day back in January. Thank you to the Year 8 pupils for being so attentive when creating the display and for working together as a group to ensure that everything was put up in the right place!











Safer Internet Day

Before we broke up for half term, pupils in the Chaplaincy teams focused on Safer Internet Day. The theme this year was 'too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams online'. During the session, pupils thought about how they can stay safe online and explored a range of different scenarios, deciding if they were real or a scam. Well done to pupils for showing they were learned and wise through their conversations and when thinking about a range of tips to ensure they always stay safe online.



Fair Begins Here

This month, pupils in our Chaplaincy Teams also focused on the Together With Refugees Campaign called Fair Begins Here. This is a new campaign calling for a fair new pair for refugees that works for everyone. During the session, pupils focused on the importance of the following things: that those fleeing war are persecution are fully protected, why decisions on applications for asylum should be fast and fairer and how everyone can work together to ensure there are safe routes to refugee protection. Well done to all pupils for being so compassionate and loving when discussing this topic.





By Mr Lysaght

Head of Year News

Head of Year 11

As we approach the end of February, we want to acknowledge the hard work and dedication you have all shown during your Mock 2 exams. These mock exams are an important step in your academic journey, providing valuable practice and insights to help you prepare for the real exams later this year.

Well done to everyone who has been diligently preparing and sitting their Mock 2 exams. This is a time to reflect on your progress and identify areas where you can improve.

Remember, feedback from your teachers is crucial. Take note of their comments and use them to guide your studies in the coming months.

Make sure to utilise T2 during break and lunchtimes to support your learning.

Support and Well-being:

- It's important to maintain a healthy balance between study and relaxation. Make sure to take breaks, exercise, and get enough sleep.
- If you're feeling overwhelmed or need someone to talk to, staff are available for support. Don't hesitate to reach Out
- Ensure you have all the necessary materials for your final exams. If you need any additional supplies, please inform your teachers.
- Keep an eye on your emails for any important announcements or updates from school.

Lastly, we want to encourage each of you to stay positive and focused. Your hard work will pay off, and we are here to support you every step of the way. Let's make the most of the remaining months and finish the year strong.

Best of luck in your exams and studies!

By Mrs Chand

B21 8HH



Head of Year News

100% Attendance and Punctuality

It's amazing to see so many of you showing up to school every single day and on time. Your dedication to attendance and punctuality is setting you up for a fantastic future.

Remember, being in school every day and arriving before 8:50am means you're getting the most out of your learning. Regular attendance helps you build great habits, avoid missing out on important lessons, boost your academic performance, and create a strong sense of community with your classmates.

Keep up the awesome work, and everyone let's strive for 100% attendance and punctuality. Your future self will thank you!

By Mr Hussain

Nabil	Ahmed	8AHM
Sunny	Atobrhan	8HEA
Riya	Bains	10ANT
Janna	Bargil	9RAH
Kritika	Basra	10SIM
Eline	Behane	7BRK
Sham	Behane	10BRO
Amrit	Bhopal	7RES
Ernesto	Breton Johnson	9CAL
Rakeem	Douglas	7MAV
Valerie	Ejianreh	8AHM
Elisha	Ezebuiro	7PHA
Samadhi	Fernando	7MAV
Erica	Agyemang	10ANT
Kailen	Graham	10BRO
Rihana	Guesh	10ANT
Yorkabel	Habtemichael	9LEV
Mudazir	Hassan	10TOW
Rana	Hassan	9RAH
Seth	Holder	8AHM
Anna	Horvathova	10SIM
Favour	Ifeosame	7PHA
Annabel	Ika	7PHA
Amarachi	Isife	7PHA
Chinomso	Isife	8AHM
David	Kadzik	8BRS
Priya	Kaur	10BRO

Shayan	Khan	SFC
Luka	Leleviciute	7MAV
Sandra	Lutrzykowska	10TOW
Ellie	Mai	10ARD
Zakariya	Malik	9ILY
Jose	Malundama	11MUH
Daiana	Mancescu	10TOW
Jennifer	Masih	8HEW
Peter	Masih	9ESM
Zion	Matondo	7RES
Elaine	Mensah	9CAL
Sulayman	Miah	8HAB
Joshua	Michael Berhe	9LEV
Akram	Morisho	7HAS
Dieudonne	Nah	8AHM
Silvia	Nah	10SIM
Arielle Elise	Njike Yomi	9ILY
Chisom	Nwaichi	10SIM
Daniel	Oji	11JON
Denzel	Okyei	11MCI
Muhammed	Rafaqat Begum	11JON
Akhil	Ram	9ILY
Sana	Rani	7BRK
Kavishnan	Sanker	9ESM
Malachi	Scarlett	8HAB
Jaspreet	Sheemar	7BRK
Kuba	Szklarski	9LEV
Mateusz	Teterycz	10SIM
Jayden	Tyrell	8HEA
Edward	Ung	8HEA







Supporting Your Child with Peer Pressure

Peer pressure is something every child faces at some point, and it's never too early to help them develop the confidence to stand up to it. While friends play an important role in their lives, your voice as a parent or carer remains the most influential.

Understanding Peer Pressure

Peer pressure happens when your child is influenced by others in their age group. This influence can be both positive and negative, and it's important to help your child navigate these situations.

Strategies to Support Your Child

1. Model How to Say 'No'

Show your child how to calmly and confidently say 'no' when they feel pressured.

Practice this with them, especially when they ask to join in with things others are doing that don't feel right.

Respond calmly but firmly when your child pushes back with pleas like, "It's not fair!" or "Everyone else is doing it!"

2. Encourage Healthy Friendships

Talk about what makes a good friend—someone who truly cares about them and respects their feelings.

Support activities that build your child's confidence and selfworth, so they feel less dependent on others for approval.

3. Coach Decision-Making Skills

Help your child think through their choices. Ask open-ended questions like, "What might happen if you did that?" or "How do you think you'd feel afterward?"

Teach them to pause and consider their options instead of reacting impulsively to peer influence.

Why Peer Pressure Can Be Challenging for Secondary Students

For secondary students, peer pressure becomes more intense as friendships deepen and fitting in feels more important. During this stage, children are often testing boundaries and making choices that may surprise you.

When Your Child Struggles with Peer Pressure

If your child gives in to peer pressure, it's important to stay calm and open to conversation:

Avoid judging them and instead try to understand their perspective.

Use questions like, "Help me understand why you wanted to do that," to encourage them to reflect on their decisions.

The Importance of Listening and Empathy

Parenting through peer pressure can be hard for you, too. It's natural to feel worried or frustrated but remember that empathy and support are key.

If you need to, reach out to a partner, friends, or other parents. You're not alone—many families are navigating the same challenges.

By modeling confidence, supporting good friendships, and staying connected, you can help your child build the skills they need to navigate peer pressure successfully.

By Mrs Ellis

What's on during March

- Cannon Hill Junior Parkrun: Every Sunday until March 24th at 11am – free
- Sutton Park Parkrun: Every Saturday at 9am Free
- Hockey Club Sessions with The City of Birmingham Hockey Club: 16th / 19th / 23rd March – Free
- Tamworth Castle: 2-for-1 entry on 15th & 16th March.
- Birmingham Spring 2025 Fair (University + Apprenticeship Opportunities) - 6th March at Edgbaston Stadium – Free

By Miss Cummings















English

Riccardo-Mario Sfeta 10ANT - For fantastic assessment progress.

Africa Beauty Garcia George 10BRO - For going above and beyond in her English revision.

Shoaib Ghalib 11JEL - For brilliant progress and contributions.

Karen Karenga 11KIY - Brilliant effort in all lessons.

Muhammed Sheraz Rafaqat Begum 11JON - Hardworking attitude.

Yousma Mustafa 11JON - Thoughtful contributions in lesson.

By Miss Jones

Robert Gregoryan 10BRO - For his dedication, outstanding achievements, consistent effort and politeness. **Yasin Aden 11MCI** - For his dedication, outstanding achievements, consistent effort, and unwavering politeness.

By Mrs Wieremiewicz

Marietou Fall 8XW - Well done for the great improvement shown recently especially with written work. Keep up the hard work.

Okeoma Iloabachie 7YS - Great contribution to class discussion which shows your understanding. Well done.

Asim Zaman 9XW - A definite improvement shown in all areas of the subject. Well done for making a greater effort in this subject.

By Mrs Pitman

Harjot Singh 9RAH - For always making an effort to go above and beyond on his Bedrock homework and has consistently achieved above 100 points each week.

Armanpreet Singh 9LEV - For always making an effort to go above and beyond on his Bedrock homework and has consistently achieved above 100 points each week.

By Mr Bains

Divya Dhariwal 7MAV – is consistently helpful and friendly plus works hard at every task in form time and English lessons.

By Mrs Mavrogenis

Science

Josue Matthews 8HAB - For excellent contributions in science lessons.

Amritpreet Malhi 8HEA - Superb work in lessons.

Ri'kiyah McCann 8BRS - Superb work ethic.

Lamario Wright-Ashley 9ESM - Excellence, Achievement and Respect in Science.

By Mrs Ilyaas

















Performing Arts - Music

Meera Badhan 7RES - Effort and dedication to music. Olawumni Ilori 8AHM - Progress and effort in music.

Ernesto Breton Johnson 9CAL - Hard work and progress in music.

Carlisle Co 10TOW - Focus and effort in music lessons.

Kobi Mensah 11MUH - Consistent effort in coursework.

Michelle Odebiyi 11MUH - Consistent effort in coursework.

By Miss Antonucci

Maths

Kara Williams 7HAS - Positive attitude to learning and excellent engagement in lessons.

Mankirat Singh 7PHA – For consistent effort and engagement in lessons.

Safaa Safeer Awan Saghir 7PHA - For excellent engagement and attitude towards learning.

Alex Dirda 8AHM – For consistent effort and engagement in lessons.

Hairan Kimba Musah 9CAL - For a Constantly high standard of work produced in lessons.

Khalid Ali 9RAH - Excellent behaviour, attitude and effort in lessons.

Natasha Glenn 11JEL - For showing excellent resilience and perseverance when solving challenging exam questions in lessons.

Osama Ahrouch 11KIY - good attitude in lessons and looking to improve subject knowledge.

By Mr Mughal

Computing, Enterprise and IT Department

Business and Enterprise

Maninderdeep Sidhu 9RAH - Perseverance and continued good progress in GCSE Business.

Bradley Nguefack 10TOW - Good quality coursework and justifications produced as well as great Exam Results for CNAT Enterprise and Marketing qualification.

Bryan Le 10BRO - for consistent and good quality work.

IT

Ashtaz Islam 9LEV - showing a great commitment to his learning in Information Technology.

Computing

Tanaka Johwa 8HEA - Willingness to complete Computing work and showing a real progression.

Christina Morisho 8HEA - Consistently applying logical reasoning to break down complex problems.

Nabil Ahmed 8AHM - Showing a real progression and willingness to complete Computing work.

David Kadzik 8BRS - For being diligent in his computing lessons with Python.

Filip Daszkiewicz 8BRS - For being diligent in his computing lessons with Python.

















Computer Science

Mateusz Teterycz 10SIM - Demonstrating growth and dedication in Computer Science. **Krish Harjiv 11MCI** - Showing incredible progress and commitment to mastering Computer Science.

SEND Interventions

Reciprocal Reading

Jasmina Mihai and Ansh Kumar 7X - For excellent effort with understanding in their reciprocal reading intervention.

Isharma Chowfen and Pavla Farbarova 7Y - For excellent achievement in their reciprocal reading intervention.

Marietou Fall and Melissa Andreea Cantaragiu 8X - For effort to support others in their reciprocal reading intervention.

Daniels Jonuss Steponavics and Maja Zdunkiewicz 8Y - For achievement with their reading in their intervention with understanding and focus.

Dyslexia Gold

Jayda Corbett-Brooks 7PHA - For being intentional and active showing enthusiasm and being punctual to her sessions. **Kimora Williams 9ILY** - For punctuality and being a bright and cheerful member of the group and being curious and attentive towards her learning.

Dilpreet Sandhu 11JON - For being committed and punctual to her intervention and being a cheerful member of the group. **Elana Harris 8HEW** - For trying really hard to remember to come to her intervention and being attentive and curious when she does

Serafein Khan 7BRK - For having a fabulous attitude towards her learning and always being on time.

Lexia

Nigel Mthinsi 10ARD and Harjot Singh 9RAH - For continued attendance and commitment in their Lexia intervention. **Ashley Gabor 8BRS** - for his improved commitment to Lexia. **David Oye 8HEA** - for his improved commitment to Lexia.

Valentina Opoku 10BRO - for her continued excellence in Lexia.

1 to 1 reading

Alzbeta Kalokova 8HEW - For effort and achievement in her Reading Intervention and being focused and attentive in everything that she does.

Health and Social Care

Sidia Saidy 9CAL - Great improvement in attitude in lesson.

Sarah Mon Thomas 10TOW - Amazing improvement on coursework.

Sema Mahmood 11JEL - improving revision in readiness for mocks.

By Miss Reynolds

















Core PE

Baljeet Bharaj 7HAS - showing enthusiasm towards the Fitness Unit. **Ella Prescott-Hopkins 10SIM** - Working extremely hard within lessons demonstrating excellence.

CNAT Sport

Sebastien Kaso 9ESM - For working hard to complete coursework in lessons. **Arjan Badhan 10SIM** - For a fantastic assessment result.

Health and Social Care

Deborah Fadola 11MCI - For fantastic effort and detail in coursework.

By Miss Young

KS3 Core

Akram Morisho7HAS - Always tries in lesson. Gets changed quickly. Polite and always offers to help set up and pack up.

KS4 Core

Janna Bargil 9RAH - Significant improvement in behaviour and attitude in PE. Makes the class fun with his competitive element but stays on task.

GCSE PE Y10

Ryan Kanna 10ARD - Good work on his Mock Test. Sharing revision and techniques for the class. Contributes well and does good on practice papers throughout the term so far.

GCSE PE Y11

Zaakir Hussain 11KIY - Contributing a lot more and better in lessons as he has grown in confidence with his subject knowledge. Put in significant effort to improve AEP also.

By Mr Arshad

Patrick Westwood 8HEW - Great attitude to learning & effort! **Aqib Khan 11MUH** - Great effort in lessons always.

By Mr Ahmed

Kaylan Phu 7PHA - Fantastic effort in all PE lessons, giving 100% effort to a range of sports and a good role model to others.

By Mrs Ratcliffe















Stars of the Month

Geography

Lydia Binham 9ESM - For completing additional work in Geography. **Deborah Fadolah 11MCI** - For completing extra work for Geography revision. **Halima Ali 11MCI** - For making a good effort to catch up and build confidence in Geography.

By Ms Levine

Eryk Romanowski 11JEL - For showing determination and effort in your geography revision lessons. Well done! **Jamie Van Le Ashford 11JON** - For showing determination and effort in your geography revision lessons. Well done! **Hazem Omar Rahma Al Ashrafani 10BRO** - For making a noticeable improvement in focus in his Geography lessons.

By Mr Brayshaw

History

Roberto Nguyen 7BRK - Focused and well thought out verbal contributions in History.

Meera Badhan 7RES - For always putting 100% effort into her History lessons.

Tyler Jackson-Smith 7RES - Active and curious in History lessons, Always making great verbal contributions. Well done!

By Ms Levine

Hamza Hussain 7RES - For always completing work and listening to advice in History. **Annabel Ika 7PHA** - For always being an excellent role model in History.

By Mr Brayshaw











House News

House competition Spring term 2- Deadline: 9th April

Country in a box

Discover the World in a Box!

Get ready for an exciting new project where each class will explore a different country and bring it to life in a creative and informative way! In a challenge designed to expand our global knowledge, every class will create an **Information Box** showcasing key facts about a country. The best part? It all fits inside a box no bigger than a copier paper box!

How Does It Work?

Each year group has been assigned a world region:

- Year 7 A European country
- Year 8 An African country
- Year 9 A South American country
- Year 10 A country in Asia

What Must Your Box Include?

Your box must be able to close and should contain:

- The country's name and its flag
- A map showing its location in the world
- Information on:
 - National food a famous dish from the country
 - o **Population** how many people live there
 - Weather the typical climate and seasons
 - Capital city the name and a brief description
 - Tourist attractions key places people love to visit

How to Complete the Project

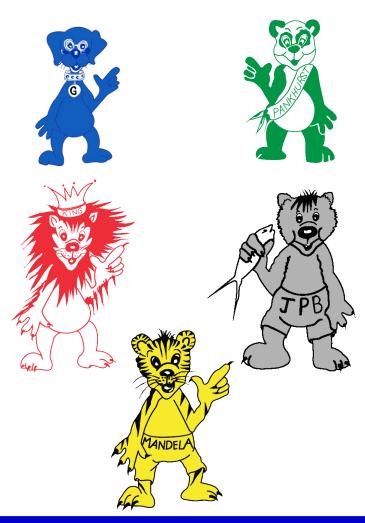
Each week, you'll work on a different aspect of your Information Box to ensure it is well-structured and visually engaging.

This project is a fantastic opportunity to learn about different cultures, explore new places, and develop research and creativity skills. We can't wait to see your amazing Information Boxes and learn about countries from around the world!

Sustainability Matters!

As part of this project, we encourage everyone to think sustainably by using recyclable materials to create their Information Boxes. Instead of purchasing new materials, try repurposing old cardboard, magazines, or newspapers to decorate and display your research. By doing so, we can reduce waste and contribute to a more environmentally friendly school project!

By Miss Young







School Games February 2025 Newsletter



St Clares Leadership Program



Finn, Nikodem, Khalid and Dervarnte completed their final leadership session with St Clares Primary School before February half term. There sessions were engaging and exciting and students from St Clares were sad to say goodbye. The final session, the boys handed out rewards to students using the St John Wall values as recognised characterisitcs.

The students all received certificates and chocolate during weekly workship the final week of term to celebrate their hard work and commitment to the leadership program.

Thank you for this opportunity! This half term will see another group attending the Primary on a Tuesday PM, leading a session, hopefully a new sport, gaining valuable experience!

KS2 Cross Country Event











Thank you to the following schools for their attendance at the KS2 Cross Country Event held at St Pauls Girls School:

- 1. Cherry Orchard
- 2. Grestone Academy
- 3. The Oratory Roman Catholic School
- 4. Dorrington Academy
- 5. St Teresa Catholic School

The Students performed so well, running the course outside in the cold.

A massive thank you to the St Pauls Girls leaders for supporting the event, and Grace for being the pace setter in all races!

Ms Toolan Bell Head of PE also brought her dog along to support and encourage students 😊



Up and coming events - Spring T1/T2

Primary

Monday 3 March 2025 – KS2 Indoor Athletics at George Dixon Academy

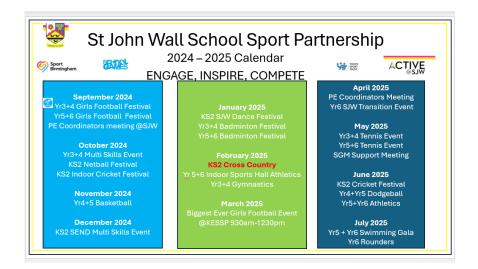
Competitive event - 10am-12:30pm - Yr5/6 Girls and Boys - students per team - 12 total.

Thursday 13 March 2025 - Yr5/6 Mixed Indoor Hockey Festival - venue TBC

Engage and Inspire Event

Monday 17 March 2025 - Gymnastics Festival at Windsor

Engage/Inspire - 10am-12pm - KS2 Yr3/4 - 6 students per team (mixed











Secondary

Talent Show - 26th February 2025 - please can all participating schools send me their music / prop requests by 7th February at the latest.

Biggest Ever Girls Football Session, 4th March 2025 - thanks to all for such a good sign up for this one!

Go Lead Girls Football Leadership, 18th March 2025 - if you are signed up and haven't yet confirmed your attendance, please do so as we will need to order kit for the girls.

If schools have any basketball results, please forward the girls results to me and the boys results to Chris at Handsworth Boys school. The deadline is Easter for all games to be played.

Year 7+8 Sports Hall Athletics, 4th April - qualifying teams (Windsor Olympus & Hamstead Hall) - please confirm your attendance with me as soon as possible.

Basketball League Results - the deadline for all matches is Easter.

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Sprint Works A34 Birmingham Southbound Trinity Road Junction

from Thursday 27 February 2025

Transport for West Midlands would like all your students and staff to be aware of the upcoming works at Trinity Road junction, off the A34 Southbound in Birmingham and encourage them to plan their journeys.

Please **share** the following information with students, staff and parents as soon as possible.

What is happening?

From Thursday 27 February, works will take place at Trinity Road junction off the A34 Birchfield Road southbound.

As a result there will be no right turn into Heathfield Road.

To access Handsworth Wood from the north of Birmingham, please use the A4040

Wellington Road right turn from the One Stop roundabout.

Due to this right turn closure, there will be some changes to bus stops on Heathfield Road and Trinity Road.

NX 52 Bus towards Birmingham will be diverted continuing along A34 Birchfield Road, taking a U turn at Six Ways junction and returning along the A34 Birchfield Road to take a left into Heathfield Road.

These works are taking place as part of A34 Sprint Phase II work.

Sprint is a bus priority corridor linking Walsall with the centre of Birmingham, Solihull & Birmingham Airport - joining the A34 with the A45 to create one continuous bus route.

For detailed information please visit: www.tfwm.org.uk/sprint-works

Travel advice

- Plan ahead and allow more time for your journey
- Be mindful of the bus stop changes and bus diversion. Allow more time for your bus journeys.

To plan your journey by bus use JourneyPlanner

Follow the signed diversion route for the upcoming road closure

Disruption Alerts

Use this service to:

- Sign up to automatic email and text message disruption alerts.
- You'll get an alert every time there is a disruption to your bus, tram or train service.

















VET SCHOOL

28th July -1st August 2025

WANT TO BE A VET?

This summer, the RSPCA are offering an on site one week summer school offering A-Level students the opportunity to learn more about the industry.

Led by RSPCA Vet Dr Antonina Babchuk and Veterinary Lecturer Dr Mark Stroyd of Nottingham Vet School

Includes lectures, shadowing consults and video streams from theatre, Interview prep and practice plus hone your Vet school application.

To apply, please scan the QR code below and complete the application form



Closing date for applications - 2/6/25
Successful applicants informed by - 13/6/25





Vet Nurse School

23 June to 27 June 2025

Considering becoming a vet nurse?

The RSPCA are offering the chance to learn more about this rewarding vocation at Newbrook Farm in Birmingham.

Led by RSPCA Vet Antonina Babchuk and Vet Nurses Kelly Robinson and Davina Osborne.

Includes lectures, practicals, shadowing nurses and video streams into theatre, as well as understanding the various routes into becoming a vet nurse.

To apply, please scan the QR code below and complete the application form.









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