

Saint John Wall Catholic School

A Catholic School For All



Mission Statement

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



Issue 30

Weekly Information Bulletin

Date: Friday 8 May 2026



Catholic Life Annual Theme:
Termly Catholic Social Teaching:
Termly SJW Values:

Building Bridges, Breaking Barriers
The Common Good
Generous and Grateful

This week in Afternoon Prayer...

"This week in Afternoon Prayer we prayed for the themes of this year and term. We prayed that we can all continue to be **bridge builders** who work for the **Common Good**. We also thought about how we are **grateful and generous** for different things in our lives. We also prayed for Year 11 as they are entering their GCSE's. We prayed that they feel **peace** and calm. It's important that we pray for Year 11s we want them to succeed. The afternoon prayer is calming after an intense day which is a nice way to end the school day."

By Year 10 Pupil

Class Mass

"This week, we went to Mass as a class and it was so **peaceful**. As we entered, we went to genuflect to the altar as a sign of respect. After Mass, Fr George gave us all the answers to so many questions we had. Overall, it was a wonderful experience."

By Oluwadarasimi Olawoyin 7ARD

Important Dates to Note

- **GCSE/AS/Cambridge Nationals External Exams Begin**
Friday 8 May 2026 to Friday 19 June 2026
- **The Birmingham Repertory Theatre – 20 Year 7 Pupils**
Thursday 21 May 2026 – 9.20am to 3.00pm
- **Half Term**
Monday 25 May 2026 to Friday 29 May 2026



SJW Values



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GCSE Examinations

Dear Parents and Carers, as we approach the start of the GCSE examination period, we would like to take this opportunity to highlight the importance of the weeks ahead for our Year 11 pupils. Examinations will begin on **Monday next week**, and this is a crucial time in your child's education.

GCSEs play a significant role in shaping future opportunities, including further education, apprenticeships, and career pathways. We encourage all pupils to approach this period with focus, determination, and a positive mindset.

It is **vital** that pupils:

- **Arrive at school early each day**, allowing enough time to settle before their examination.
- **Bring all necessary equipment** for every exam (e.g. pens, pencils, calculator, ruler, and any other subject-specific items).
- **Check their examination timetable** carefully and ensure they are fully prepared for each subject.

Your support at home is invaluable. Encouraging good routines, such as adequate sleep, a healthy breakfast, and calm preparation time, can make a significant difference to performance and wellbeing.

We are very proud of the effort our pupils have shown so far and are confident they will do their very best. Thank you for your continued support during this important period.

If you have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

The examination timetable is displayed at the end of this newsletter.

By Mr Mull

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In addition to this, bespoke intervention will continue between 17:00-17:30 on Tuesdays and Thursdays from now up until 5 June 2026. The pupils involved have been very positive in their feedback regarding the bespoke programme. Some additional pupils may be given the opportunity to attend these sessions; contact home will be made shortly. Again, your support for pupils to engage with this invaluable opportunity will be much appreciated.

By Mrs Ilyas

Masterclasses

Pupils will continue to receive letters over the next week to invite them to bespoke revision sessions called masterclasses. These sessions will run after normal revision sessions after school between 16:15-17:00 and will run for selected pupils only. Pupils selected are expected to attend and we greatly appreciate your support with their attendance:

- **Tuesday 12 May - Maths**
- **Thursday 14 May - Science**
- **Tuesday 19 May - Maths**
- **Thursday 21 May - RE**
- **Tuesday 2 June - Maths**
- **Thursday 4 June - Maths**

By Mrs Ilyas

Saturday and May Half Term Revision

Saturday Revision	
	Saturday 16 May 2026
9.30am-12.00pm	Science

May Half Term Revision			
	Wednesday 27 May 2026	Thursday 28 May 2026	Friday 29 May 2026
9.30am-12.00pm	Maths	Science	History Geography
12.30pm-3.00pm	GCSE PE Statistics	Catering	

By Miss Lally





Revision - Exam Breakfast and After School

During the examination period, Year 11s will be provided with exam breakfast and after school revision support in subjects from 8am each day and after school. We will be providing breakfast to pupils, please see the table below for the subjects taking place each day next week.

	11th May 2026	12th May 2026	13th May 2026	14th May 2026	15th May 2026
	Exams	Exams	Exams	Exams	Exams
Exam Breakfast 8am Onwards	<p>English</p> <p>Room 4: JON/ABD Room 5: HAS Room 7: BAI Room 9: WIO Room 10: FLI</p>	<p>R.E.</p> <p>Room 111 (JEL/BEG/ELL) Room 112 (BRO) Room 113 (HAN/PRI)</p>	<p>Geography</p> <p>Room 24: BRS</p>	<p>Maths</p> <p>Room 11: MUH Room 12: HOS Room 13: JAS Room 14: ALL Room 31: GRE Room 34: HUS</p>	<p>History</p> <p>Room 21: THO Room 22: GUE Room 32: LAL</p>
After School	<p>R.E.</p> <p>Room 113 (BEG) Room 112 (BRO) Room 111 (JEL/ELL) Room 33 HAN Room 32 (PRI)</p> <p>Year 10 in Biology</p> <p>Room 16: HAB</p>	<p>Geography</p> <p>Room 24: BRS</p> <p>Computer Science</p> <p>Room 3: ESM</p> <p>History</p> <p>Room 21: THO Room 22: GUE Room 32: LAL</p> <p>Maths</p> <p>Room 11: MUH Room 12: HOS Room 13: JAS Room 14: ALL Room 31: GRE Room 34: HUS</p>	<p>Maths</p> <p>Room 11: MUH Room 12: HOS Room 13: JAS Room 14: ALL Room 31: GRE Room 34: HUS</p>	<p>History</p> <p>Room 21: THO Room 22: GUE Room 32: LAL</p> <p>Science</p> <p>Room 15: CAL Room 16: ILY Room 17: FOR Room 19: RAH Room 110: HEW</p>	<p>Science</p> <p>Room 15: CAL Room 16: ILY Room 17: FOR Room 18: KIY Room 19: RAH Room 110: HEW</p>



Year 8 Football

What a fantastic encounter it was for our Year 8 team as they took on Lordswood Boys in a thrilling, end-to-end contest that truly showcased the spirit and quality of both teams. With attacking intent from the very first whistle, the game was played at a high tempo, with both teams determined to make their mark.

SJW opened the scoring to take a 1–0 lead before Lordswood responded to level the match at 1–1. Undeterred, our team continued to press forward with confidence and purpose, regaining the lead to go into half time ahead at 2–1. The first half was a great example of our philosophy to play positively and win through attack.

The second half brought even more excitement. Lordswood fought back once again to make it 2–2, but SJW showed resilience and character, pushing forward relentlessly to take the lead again at 3–2. Despite our efforts, Lordswood managed to find an equaliser late on, bringing the final score to 3–3.

Goals for SJW came from Kaylan and Matthias. While there was some disappointment at the final whistle - reflecting the team's high standards and strong desire to win - this reaction was something to celebrate as it demonstrated a mindset where only the very best will do.

This result also marks the conclusion of a remarkable season for our Year 8 team. Finishing unbeaten across the entire campaign, they truly deserve to be called *The Invincibles*. An outstanding achievement that reflects their consistency, hard work, and togetherness as a squad.

Well done to all involved - an exceptional season and a team that continues to **shine** both on and off the pitch.

By Mr Arshad and Mr Holden





Year 11 Alton Towers Trip

On Friday 1 May, Year 11 pupils were treated to a reward trip to Alton Towers. Pupils had a wonderful time at the theme park and enjoyed as many rides as possible.



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GCSE Examination Timetable

Date	Start Time	Length	Level	Exam	Board	No. of Cands.
08/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 15 mins	CNAT	Sport Studies: <u>Cntmpry Issues Sprt</u> - Sport Studies: <u>cntmpry Issue Sprt Wtn</u>	OCR	9
11/05/2026	09:15	2 hour 00 mins	GCSE	English Literature - English Lit Component 1 Shakespeare	WJEC GCSE	119
12/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Religious Studies Route B - Rs Route B Comp 1 Found. Catholic	WJEC GCSE	119
12/05/2026	10:55	1 hour 15 mins	CNAT	<u>Enginring:prncpl Engnring Dsgn</u> - <u>Enginring:prncpl Engnring Dsgn Wrtn</u>	OCR	17
12/05/2026	13:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Combined Science Option F - Paper <u>One:biology(f)</u>	Edexcel GCSE	64
12/05/2026	13:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Combined Science Option H - Paper <u>One:biology(h)</u>	Edexcel GCSE	43
12/05/2026	13:15	1 hour 45 mins	GCSE	Biology Option H - Paper One(h)	Edexcel GCSE	15
13/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Geography - Geography Paper 1	AQA	25
13/05/2026	13:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Computer Science - Principles Of <u>Comp.sci</u>	Edexcel GCSE	14
14/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Mathematics Option F - Non Calculator (f)	Edexcel GCSE	47
14/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Mathematics Option H - Non Calculator (h)	Edexcel GCSE	72
15/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 20 mins	GCSE	History Option Br - Crime & Punishment	Edexcel GCSE	77
15/05/2026	13:15	1 hour 30 mins	CNAT	It: It In The Digital World - It: It In The Digital World <u>Wtn</u>	OCR	13



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Date	Start Time	Length	Level	Exam	Board	No. of Cands.
18/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Combined Science Option F - Paper Two:chemistry(f)	Edexcel GCSE	64
18/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Combined Science Option H - Paper Two:chemistry(h)	Edexcel GCSE	43
18/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 45 mins	GCSE	Chemistry Option H - Paper One(h)	Edexcel GCSE	12
19/05/2026	09:15	2 hour 30 mins	GCSE	English Literature - English Lit Component2 Prose &poetry	WJEC GCSE	119
19/05/2026	13:15	2 hour 00 mins	GCSE	Computer Science - Application Comp.thinking	Edexcel GCSE	14
20/05/2026	09:15	35 mins	GCSE	French Tier F - French Listening Test Tier F	AQA	12
20/05/2026	09:15	45 mins	GCSE	French Tier F - French Reading Test Tier F	AQA	12
20/05/2026	09:15	45 mins	GCSE	French Tier H - French Listening Test Tier H	AQA	4
20/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 00 mins	GCSE	French Tier H - French Reading Test Tier H	AQA	4
20/05/2026	13:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Religious Studies Route B - Rs Route B Comp 2 Applied Catholic	WJEC GCSE	119
20/05/2026	14:52	1 hour 15 mins	GNAT	Ent & Mkt: Entorpse & Mktng Concpis - Ent & Mkt:entorpse Mktng Concpot Wtn	OCR	33
21/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 45 mins	GCSE	English Language - English Language Paper 1	AQA	119
22/05/2026	09:15	35 mins	GCSE	Italian Tier F - Italian Listening Test Tier F	AQA	1
22/05/2026	09:15	45 mins	GCSE	Italian Tier F - Italian Reading Test Tier F	AQA	1
22/05/2026	09:15	45 mins	GCSE	Italian Tier H - Italian Listening Test Tier H	AQA	3
22/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 00 mins	GCSE	Italian Tier H - Italian Reading Test Tier H	AQA	3
22/05/2026	09:15	1 hour 00 mins	GCSE	Physical Education Mod Upld - Pe: Physcl Fctr Affctng Perf Wtn	OCR	14
01/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 00 mins	GCSE	Italian Tier F - Italian Writing Test Tier F	AQA	1
01/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 00 mins	GCSE	Physical Education Mod Upld - Pe: Socio-ctrl Issues Sprr Psych Wtn	OCR	14
01/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 15 mins	GCSE	Italian Tier H - Italian Writing Test Tier H	AQA	3
01/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 00 mins	GCSE	Religious Studies Route B - Rs Component 3 Judaism	WJEC GCSE	119
02/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Combined Science Option F - Paper Three:physics(f)	Edexcel GCSE	64
02/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Combined Science Option H - Paper Three:physics(h)	Edexcel GCSE	43
02/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 45 mins	GCSE	Physics Option H - Paper One(h)	Edexcel GCSE	12
02/06/2026	13:15	35 mins	GCSE	Panjabi Tier F - Panjabi Listening Test Tier F	AQA	3
02/06/2026	13:15	35 mins	GCSE	Polish Tier F - Polish Listening Test Tier F	AQA	2
02/06/2026	13:15	45 mins	GCSE	Panjabi Tier F - Panjabi Reading Test Tier F	AQA	3
02/06/2026	13:15	45 mins	GCSE	Panjabi Tier H - Panjabi Listening Test Tier H	AQA	5





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02/06/2026	13:15	45 mins	GCSE	Polish Tier F - Polish Reading Test Tier F	AQA	2
02/06/2026	13:15	45 mins	GCSE	Polish Tier H - Polish Listening Test Tier H	AQA	5
02/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 00 mins	GCSE	Punjabi Tier H - Panjabi Reading Test Tier H	AQA	5
02/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 00 mins	GCSE	Polish Tier H - Polish Reading Test Tier H	AQA	5
02/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Statistics Option H - Written Paper 1h	Edexcel GCSE	28
02/06/2026	14:50	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Statistics Option H - Written Paper 1h	Edexcel GCSE	1
03/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Mathematics Option F - Calculator (f)	Edexcel GCSE	47
03/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Mathematics Option H - Calculator (h)	Edexcel GCSE	72
03/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 15 mins	CNAT	Hsc: Pmcpls Of Care In Hsc Sitngs - Hsc: Pmcpls Care In Hsc Sitngs Wtn	OCR	17
03/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Geography - Geography Paper 2	AQA	25
03/06/2026	14:52	1 hour 15 mins	CNAT	Hsc: Pmcpls Of Care In Hsc Sitngs - Hsc: Pmcpls Care In Hsc Sitngs Wtn	OCR	2
04/06/2026	09:15		GCSE	History Option Br - Early Elizabethan	Edexcel GCSE	77
04/06/2026	09:15		GCSE	History Option Br - Superpower Relations	Edexcel GCSE	77
04/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 50 mins	GCSE	History Option Br - Superpower elizabethan	Edexcel GCSE	77
04/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	French Tier F - French Writing Test Tier F	AQA	12
04/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 15 mins	GCSE	French Tier H - French Writing Test Tier H	AQA	4
05/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 45 mins	GCSE	English Language - English Language Paper 2	AQA	119
08/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Combined Science Option F - Paper Four biology(f)	Edexcel GCSE	64
08/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Combined Science Option H - Paper Four biology(h)	Edexcel GCSE	43
08/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 45 mins	GCSE	Biology Option H - Paper Two(h)	Edexcel GCSE	15
09/06/2026	09:15	35 mins	GCSE	Spanish Tier F - Spanish Listening Test Tier F	AQA	11
09/06/2026	09:15	45 mins	GCSE	Spanish Tier F - Spanish Reading Test Tier F	AQA	11
09/06/2026	09:15	45 mins	GCSE	Spanish Tier H - Spanish Listening Test Tier H	AQA	12
09/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 00 mins	GCSE	Spanish Tier H - Spanish Reading Test Tier H	AQA	12
09/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	History Option Br - Weimar & Nazi Germany	Edexcel GCSE	77
10/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Mathematics Option F - Calculator (f)	Edexcel GCSE	47
10/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Mathematics Option H - Calculator (h)	Edexcel GCSE	72
10/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 00 mins	GCSE	Punjabi Tier F - Panjabi Writing Test Tier F	AQA	3





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10/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 15 mins	GCSE	Panjabi Tier H - Panjabi Writing Test Tier H	AQA	5
11/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Geography - Geography Paper 3	AQA	25
11/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 15 mins	L2EC	L2 Extended Mathematics - <u>Non-Calculator Paper</u>	Edexcel GVQ	4
11/06/2026	10:55	1 hour 15 mins	L2EC	L2 Extended Mathematics - <u>Non-Calculator Paper</u>	Edexcel GVQ	1
12/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Combined Science Option F - Paper Five chemistry (f)	Edexcel GCSE	64
12/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Combined Science Option H - Paper Five chemistry (h)	Edexcel GCSE	43
12/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 45 mins	GCSE	Chemistry Option H - Paper Two(h)	Edexcel GCSE	12
12/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 00 mins	GCSE	Polish Tier F - Polish Writing Test Tier F	AQA	1
12/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 15 mins	GCSE	Polish Tier H - Polish Writing Test Tier H	AQA	5
12/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 30 mins	GCSE	Statistics Option H - Written Paper 2h	Edexcel GCSE	29
12/06/2026	13:15	1 hour 20 mins	WTA	Hosp & Catering Industry Paper - Hosp & Catering Unit 1: Paper	WJEC GCSE	23
12/06/2026	14:55	1 hour 00 mins	GCSE	Polish Tier F - Polish Writing Test Tier F	AQA	1
15/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Combined Science Option F - Paper Six physics (f)	Edexcel GCSE	64
15/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Combined Science Option H - Paper Six physics (h)	Edexcel GCSE	43
15/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 45 mins	GCSE	Physics Option H - Paper Two(h)	Edexcel GCSE	12
16/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 10 mins	GCSE	Spanish Tier F - Spanish Writing Test Tier F	AQA	11
16/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 15 mins	GCSE	Spanish Tier H - Spanish Writing Test Tier H	AQA	12
16/06/2026	09:15	1 hour 15 mins	L2EC	L2 Extended Mathematics - Calculator Paper	Edexcel GVQ	3
16/06/2026	10:45	1 hour 15 mins	L2EC	L2 Extended Mathematics - Calculator Paper	Edexcel GVQ	2

