



St. Stephen's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter: Friday 15th May 2026

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School News...

Y6 SATs Assessments

Well done to Y6 who completed their end of Key Stage 2 SATs assessments this week. We have been so impressed with the maturity and focus the children have shown this week. All we asked is that they try their best and they certainly did across three English tests and three Maths tests. We are very proud of you, Y6!

Ascension Mass & First Holy Communion Thanksgiving

Yesterday, we celebrated the Feast of the Ascension and our First Holy Communicants with a special Mass at church. Our school and parish community celebrated those in Y4, Y5 and Y6 receiving Holy Communion at a school Mass for the first time. The children looked wonderful in their outfits again and the whole school enjoyed a party lunch when we returned to mark this special day. Our First Holy Communicants enjoyed a special cake and some goodies too!

May Devotions to Our Lady – Flower Donations

On Monday in school, we will be celebrating a special Celebration of the Word with the children to mark the month of May being dedicated to Mary, Jesus' mother. In our special celebration, we will be giving thanks to Mary and crowning her. We intend to decorate around our school statue of Mary with flowers. We ask that the children bring in a flower or small bunch of flowers on Monday that can be added to our flower garden and left on display for the week in the hall. We thank you in advance of any flower donations that you can make!

RE Newsletter – Summer Term 2026

Attached to our newsletter today is our Summer Newsletter which contains information and key dates about what will be covered in Religious Education lessons as well as Masses at church and class assemblies.

Y2/Y5/Y6 Forest Skills sessions next week

Years 2 and 5 will have their next Forest Skills session next Tuesday 19th May and Y6 will spend the day in the forest on Wednesday 20th May. The sessions will take place regardless of the weather. Therefore, for these sessions, pupils are to wear old clothes that parents/carers don't mind getting muddy or dirty. Children can wear old trainers or wellies but must bring a change of footwear in to change into after their outdoor session. Please wear sun cream and bring a cap too!

Sports Day 2026 – Friday 22nd May

Following the huge success of last year's Sports Day, we will be keeping the same format for this year. We hope this will make it easier for parents/carers attend, provide cooler temperatures and shade for the children to compete in and avoid a 'rush' that we typically have at the end of the day each year.

This means that pupils in Reception Class and Years 1 and 2 will take part in the usual team events from 9.30am - 10.30am on the school field. Parents/carers are welcome to come and watch the events from the viewing area and can leave once the children return to class at 10.30am.

Pupils in Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 will take part in their sports events from 11.00am - 12.15pm. Parents/carers are welcome to come and watch the events from the viewing area on the field and can leave once the children return to class at 12.15pm.

All pupils are to wear the correct school PE kit to compete in sports day and must have a cap, water bottle and sun cream applied at the start of the day.





Please note there will be no KS2 Football Club next Friday after school. All pupils will finish school at 3.15pm.

Whit Holidays

We break up next Friday 22nd May at 3.15pm and reopen on Monday 8th June at 8.45am



Let's Celebrate...

Gospel Value: Compassion			Proud Work of the Week:		
	YR	Naomi		YR	Bella
	Y1	Vito		Y1	Bailey
	Y2	Anthony		Y2	Scarlett
	Y3	Nicolas		Y3	Dauids
	Y4	Leah		Y4	Communicants
	Y5	Max		Y5	Gabriel
	Y6	Jaxon V		Y6	Whole Class
	Lunchtime Stars:			Sports Stars:	
	YR	Emily		EYFS/KSI:	
	Y1	Calub		Elizah in Y2 for showing incredible determination in her sprint training	
	Y2	Bennett		KS2:	
	Y3	Corey		Harley in Y6 for displaying great positivity and teamwork during competitive games	
	Y4	Eva			
	Y5	Maisie			
Y6	Emily				



Rainbow Champions



R: Elijah, Jasmina, Gheorghe, Maya-Maria, Kai, Purna, Matej, Sofia, Axel, Maia, Naomi, Akwaugo, Emily

Y1: Mohammad, Jan, Esme, Anna, Bailey, Lola, Oliver, Albert

Y2: Elizah, Sienah, Dominik, Lily, Dexter, Teddie, Lyla

Y3: Alan, Olivia K, Corey, Olivia W, Jess, Laura, Charlotte, Niamh


Y4: Harper, Alaya, Antoni, William, Barbora, Eva, Theo S, Rhys S, Leah, Thomas

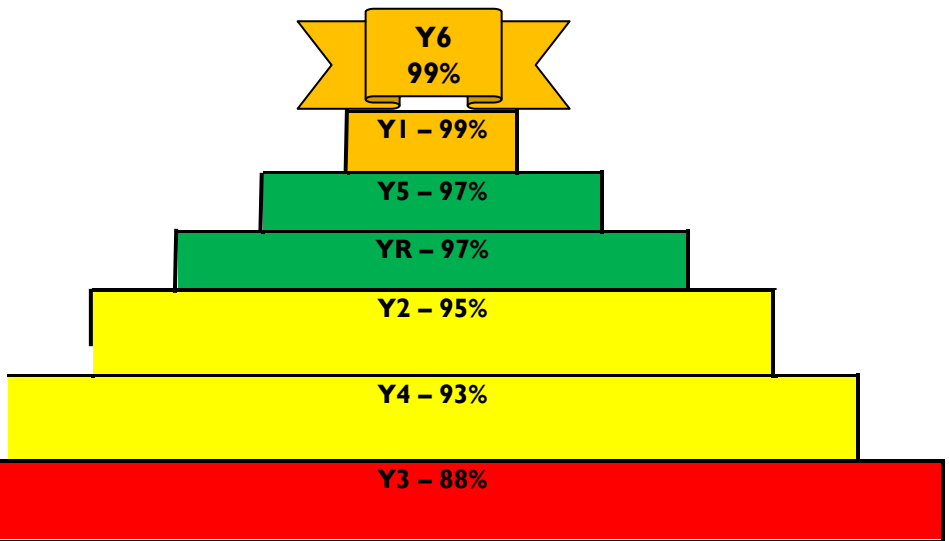
Y5: Szymon, Ihe, Alexia, Hallie, Luke, Fatima, Jayden, Gabriel, Sophie

Y6: Olivia, George, Lucas

Attendance Update...

Congratulations to Y6 for having the best attendance this week!

 Attendance Matters Every student. Every day.	
98-100%	Excellent
96-97%	Good
93-95%	Needs to Improve
90-92%	Cause for Concern
Our attendance target is: 96%	



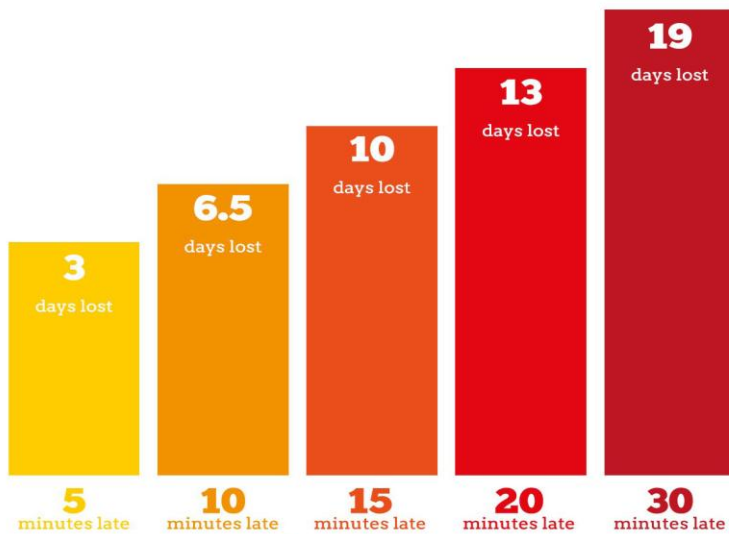
Where a child has 10 or more unauthorised absences (equivalent to 5 full school days) in an academic year, this may result in a Fixed Penalty Notice (FPN) being issued.

Fixed Penalty Notice Charges:
 £80 per parent, per child if paid within 21 days.
 £160 per parent per child if paid within 28 days.

Punctuality Reminders:

Do you know what good time keeping means?

Lost minutes = Lost learning



*Over one full academic year

- School gates open at 8.40am to all pupils each day.
- Pupils are to be in their class lines on the playground for 8.45am where they will be accompanied into class and the registers and lunch orders will be taken.
- Registration closes at 8.50am and the main pedestrian gate will be closed and locked.
- Any pupils arriving to school after 8.50am must be brought to the school office and signed in by an adult who must provide a reason for the lateness.

Make sure your child is at school and ready to learn, before the bell rings!

This means arriving early
 Try to get to school 10 minutes early, get settled and ready to learn!

Did you know?
 Being 15 minutes late each day is the same as missing two weeks of school!*

Summer Term Diary Dates 2026



Date	Time	Event
19/5/26	All day	Y2 & Y5 Forest School
20/5/26	All day	Y6 Forest School
22/5/26	Morning	Sports Day morning with parents/carers from 9.30am
22/5/26	3.15pm	School closes for Whit holidays
8/6/26	8.45am	School reopens to all pupils
8/6/26	All week	Y1 Phonics Screening Week
8/6/26	All week	Y4 Multiplication Check Week
9/6/26	Afternoon only	Y5 Growing Up Talk with School Nurse
10/6/26	All day	Y2 & Y3 Forest School
12/6/26	9.15am	Y2 Class Assembly with parents/carers
15/6/26	All day	Y5 Retreat Day at Church with Cardinal Newman
16/6/26	All day	Y5 Taster Day at Cardinal Newman
16/6/26	All day	Y2 trip to Safety Central
17/6/26	All day	Judaism workshops for all classes
18/6/26	All day	Y6 & Y1 Forest School
18/6/26	2.15pm	Parent Coffee Afternoon
19/6/26	9.15am	Reception Class Fathers' Day Stay and Pray
22/6/26	Morning only	Tempest Photography Class Photos
24/6/26 - 26/6/26	All day/ overnight	Y6 Residential Trip to Boreatton Park
29/6/26	All morning	Prayer Stations for pupils only
30/6/26	All day	Y5 trip to Safety Central
1/7/26	All day	Y6 High School Transition Day 1
1/7/26	All morning	Transition Morning for Reception – Year 5
2/7/26	All day	Y6 High School Transition Day 2
2/7/26	All day	Y2 & Y3 Forest School

We are on Week 2 of the menu next week.

SCHOOL MEALS

Available daily as an alternative: - Filled jacket potatoes served with vegetables, a dessert and drink. An alternative dessert from a selection of seasonal fresh fruit, yoghurt, soren and cheese & biscuits
Available daily - Unlimited fresh salad and wholemeal bread, drinking water or fresh milk.




Week One	Week Two	Week Three
<p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">Meat Free Monday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Vegetarian Sausage Roll Herby Diced Potatoes and Baked Beans Mousse/ Soreen/ Raisins <p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 10px 0;">Tuesday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pork Sausage with Yorkshire pudding Creamed Potatoes, served with Carrots and Peas ✓ Quorn Sausage Yorkshire pudding Creamed Potatoes, served with Carrots and Peas ✓ Fresh Fruit Salad or Yoghurt <p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 10px 0;">Wednesday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Veggie Fajitas served with savory rice and sweetcorn. Beef Broccoli Burger in a Bun served with herby Diced potato and Fresh Side Salad ✓ Quorn Burger in a Bun served with herby Diced potato and Fresh Side Salad ✓ Orange Jelly and Fruit <p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 10px 0;">Thursday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> BBQ chicken Pitta served with Baked Wedged Potatoes, and Sweetcorn ✓ BBQ Quorn chicken Pitta served with Baked Wedged Potatoes, and Sweetcorn Homemade Blueberry Cake/Muffin <p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 10px 0;">Friday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crumb Coated Chicken served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans Oven baked Fish Fingers Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans ✓ Quorn Vegan Dippers Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans Homemade Cooks Choice Biscuit 	<p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">Meat Free Monday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Margarita Pizza Rounds Served with Baked Jacket Wedges and Sweetcorn Oven Baked Jam Doughnut <p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 10px 0;">Tuesday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roast Turkey with Creamed Potato, Roast Potato, Carrot and Broccoli ✓ Quorn Chicken Roast Dinner ✓ Fresh Fruit Salad or Yoghurt <p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 10px 0;">Wednesday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Beef Spaghetti Bolognaise served with garden peas ✓ Quorn mince Spaghetti Bolognaise served with garden peas Garlic and Herb Chicken served with Vegetable rice and Broccoli. Arctic or Chocolate Ice Cream <p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 10px 0;">Thursday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Brunch Lunch (Sausage, Beans, Hash Brown, Omelette) ✓ Vegetarian Brunch Lunch (Quorn Sausage, Beans, Hash Brown, Omelette) ✓ Raspberry Jelly and Fruit <p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 10px 0;">Friday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Oven Baked Chicken Poppers Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans Oven baked Battered Salmon served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes Garden Peas or Baked Beans ✓ Quorn Vegan Dippers Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans Homemade Cooks Choice Biscuit 	<p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 0;">Meat Free Monday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tomato and Mascarpone Pasta Bake ✓ Served with Seasonal Vegetables Mousse/ Soreen/ Raisins <p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 10px 0;">Tuesday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Chicken Katsu Curry served with Rice ✓ Quorn Chicken Katsu Curry served with Rice ✓ Fresh Fruit Segments or Yoghurt <p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 10px 0;">Wednesday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Selection of Pizza (pepperoni/cheese) Served with Jacket Wedges, Salad ✓ Jelly and Fruit <p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 10px 0;">Thursday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pork Meatballs in Tomato and Basil Sauce Served with Pasta and Garden Peas ✓ Quorn Meatballs in Tomato and Basil Sauce Served with Pasta and Garden Peas Vanilla and Chocolate Marble Cake <p style="color: #e91e63; font-weight: bold; margin: 10px 0;">Friday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Crumb Coated Chicken Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans Oven Baked Fish Stars Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans ✓ Quorn Vegan Dippers Served with Chunky Chipped Potatoes, Garden Peas or Baked Beans Homemade Cooks Choice Biscuit

Menu Cycle Week One: 17th June, 8th July, 2nd Sept, 23rd Sept, 14th

Menu: 2024



Holiday Dates 2025/26

	Open	Close	No. of Days
Autumn Half Term 1	Wednesday 3 rd September 2025	Friday 24 th October 2025	38
Autumn Half Term 2	Monday 3 rd November 2025	Friday 19 th December 2025	35
Spring Half Term 1	Tuesday 6 th January 2026	Friday 13 th February 2026	29
Spring Half Term 2	Monday 23 rd February 2026	Wednesday 1 st April 2026	28
Summer Half Term 1	Wednesday 15 th April 2026	Friday 22 nd May 2026	27
Summer Half Term 2	Monday 8 th June 2026	Wednesday 22 nd July 2026	33
			TOTAL: 190

School closed: Bank Holiday Monday - Monday 4th May 2026

INSET Days: School closed for pupils

- Monday 1st September 2025
- Tuesday 2nd September 2025
- Monday 5th January 2026
- Tuesday 14th April 2026
- Thursday 23rd July 2026



Holiday Dates 2026/27

	Open	Close	No. of Days
Autumn Half Term 1	Thursday 3 rd September 2026	Friday 23 rd October 2026	37
Autumn Half Term 2	Monday 2 nd November 2026	Friday 18 th December 2026	35
Spring Half Term 1	Tuesday 5 th January 2027	Friday 12 th February 2027	29
Spring Half Term 2	Monday 22 nd February 2027	Wednesday 24 th March 2027	23
Summer Half Term 1	Wednesday 7 th April 2027	Friday 28 th May 2027	37
Summer Half Term 2	Monday 14 th June 2027	Friday 23 rd July 2027	29
			TOTAL: 190

School closed: Bank Holiday Monday - Monday 3rd May 2027

INSET Days: School closed for pupils

- Tuesday 1st September 2026
- Wednesday 2nd September 2026
- Monday 4th January 2027
- Friday 2nd July 2027 – Warrington Walking Day (TBC)
- Monday 26th July 2027