



GOSPEL VALUE OF THE WEEK

STRENGTH

LISTEN to the Word of God

TEMPTATION IN THE WILDERNESS

At once the Spirit made him go into the desert, where he stayed forty days, being tempted by Satan. Wild animals were there also, but angels came and helped him. After John had been put in prison, Jesus went to Galilee and preached the Good News from God. "The right time has come," he said, "and the Kingdom of God is near! Turn away from your sins and believe the Good News!"

Mark 1:12-15

RESPOND to the Word of God

As we reflect, give thought to:

- ♥ What do you think helped Jesus to stay strong when he was tempted?
- ♥ What does it mean to be strong on the inside, even when things are difficult?

GO FORTH with a mission from the Word of God

This week, we are called to help one another stay strong and follow Jesus.

Try to be a strength to someone else in our school or at home.

You could encourage a friend who is feeling worried or sad, use kind and positive words to lift other up or pray for someone who needs God's strength.



The Wednesday Word is an outreach which shares Sunday's Gospel with all school families in a unique way. [Click here](#) for this week's latest Wednesday Word to discuss with your loved ones at home.

HOUSE POINTS

"None of us, including me, ever do great things. But we can all do small things with great love, and together we can do something wonderful."

St Teresa of Calcutta (Mother Teresa)

Every child from Nursery to Year 6 has been assigned to one of our four houses: St George, St Margaret, St David, or St Brigid. Children can earn house points for going above and beyond, especially when they demonstrate our Gospel values:

Be Ready to Learn → Diligence

Be Resilient → Courage / Perseverance

Be Respectful → Respect

Be Responsible → Responsibility

Each week, points are totalled, and the winning house enjoys an extra playtime. The house with the highest total at the end of the half term will celebrate with a special afternoon celebration.

THIS WEEK'S WINNING HOUSE IS...

ST DAVID

SPRING 2

	St George	St Margaret	St David	St Brigid
Week 1				
Week 2				
Week 3				
Week 4				
Week 5				
Week 6				
TOTAL POINTS	74	65	89	86



We are delighted to celebrate the personal achievements of our children this week! Each of these stars has been carefully chosen by their teachers for a variety of reasons—whether it's demonstrating outstanding behaviour, producing an excellent piece of work, mastering a tricky concept, showing kindness to others, or going above and beyond in so many ways.

In all they do, these children are shining examples of our school motto: "Only my best will do. Be kind to one another." Through their efforts and actions, they live out our Catholic values each day, inspiring those around them. As Pope Francis reminds us, "Each of us is a masterpiece of God's creation." Well done to all our shining stars!

CLASS	STAR OF THE WEEK
Nursery	Eva
Reception	Aihika
Year 1	Noel
Year 2	Ndanji
Year 3	Anaia
Year 4	Zimal
Year 5	TJ
Year 6	Neveah

	NAME
	Mateusz
	CLASS
	Year 5

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

The national expectation for attendance is 97% and above, but at our school, we aim even higher! Guided by our values of care and responsibility, we monitor attendance and punctuality every day, working together as a school community to support our children in being present and engaged. By attending school regularly, our children can make the most of every learning opportunity and flourish in their talents and abilities.

	Weekly Attendance	Punctuality (Lates)	Attendance to date
Reception	98.0%	7	95.9%
Year 1	96.0%	2	93.2%
Year 2	96.2%	12	93.3%
Year 3	97.7%	4	96.2%
Year 4	99.3%	11	96.9%
Year 5	95.8%	9	92.3%
Year 6	97.1%	7	95.4%
Total	97.2%	52	94.7%

SPRING TERM 1 CLASS OF THE WEEK - ATTENDANCE STARS							
	R	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
Week 1					★		
Week 2							
Week 3							
Week 4							
Week 5							
Week 6							

We know that regular attendance has a direct impact on children's progress, confidence and wellbeing and we are committed to working together to improve this.

To support this, rather than waiting until the end of term to highlight achievement, we recognise 100% attendance of the week! Any child who achieves 100% attendance for the week will be invited to choose a reward from the class attendance prize box. We fully understand that children will sometimes be unwell and must remain at home when necessary. By



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recognising 100% attendance each week, we hope to provide more achievable milestones for our pupils.



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TERM DATES 2025 – 2026

Below are important dates for your reference in which children do **NOT** attend school

EASTER HOLIDAYS
Friday 3 rd April – Friday 10 th April 2026

BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY
Monday 4 th May 2026

INSET 3 – STAFF TRAINING
Friday 5 th June 2026

INSET 4 – STAFF TRAINING
Monday 8 th June 2026

SUMMER – MAY HALF TERM
Monday 25 th May – Thursday 4 th June 2026

INSET 5 – STAFF TRAINING
Monday 20 th July 2026

SUMMER HOLIDAYS
Tuesday 21 st July – 31 st August 2026

Please ensure you check term dates carefully before booking any holidays as they will not be authorised.

TERM DATES 2026 – 2027

IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

We're excited to share the schedule of events for this term! Our aim is to give parents | carers plenty of notice so you can join in at family events (highlighted in yellow) and support your children whenever possible.

Information regarding specific child attendance, timings & location of events etc will be shared with families privately via school APP ClassDoJo.

Please note that there may be additional activities, workshops, or competitions throughout the term that are not listed here yet, as we are waiting for confirmation of some events.

We aim to keep you updated as soon as new information becomes available.

SCHOOL CALENDAR – SCHOOL WEBSITE

Date	Year Group	Event
01.03.2026	Y4	With You Always Holy Communion Registration & Session 1
02.03.2026	Nursery – Y6	National Careers Week
02.03.2026	Selected Pupils	Beacon Fire Project (Y5 & Y6)
03.03.2026	N – Y6	Beautiful New Beginnings Coffee Morning for parents carers
04.03.2026	Selected Pupils	LDPS Cross-Country – Race 6
05.03.2026	Nursery – Y6	World Book Day
06.03.2026	Reception	LSSP EYFS Fundamentals Movement Programme
09.03.2026	Nursery – Y6	British Science Week
10.03.2026	Y1 – Y6	Guide Dogs for the Blind Assembly
10.03.2026	Selected Pupils	LDPS Cross-Country Championships – City 1
13.03.2026	Reception	Mothering Sunday Assembly
16.03.2026	Y6	PGL Residential
19.03.2026	Selected Pupils	British Gymnastics Championships
23.03.2026	Selected Pupils	LSSP KSI & KS2 Dance Festival

EXTRA-CURRICULAR INFORMATION – SCHOOL WEBSITE

HOLY COMMUNION WITH YOU ALWAYS PROGRAMME – SCHOOL WEBSITE



MRS J MCCORMICK'S CELEBRATION SHOUT-OUTS

"Fill your minds with those things that are good and that deserve praise: things that are true, noble, right, pure, lovely, and honourable."

Philippians 4:8

Each week, I love to take a moment to celebrate and give a little shout-outs to children, staff or classes who have really shone this week. It might be for showing kindness, living out our school motto, working hard in their learning, being a brilliant team member, or simply making a positive difference in our school community. It's such a pleasure to recognise the efforts and kindness that make our school a special place.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

On Monday, we gathered together for our Ash Wednesday service, reverently led by our Year 5 pupils. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent – a special time in the Church's year when we reflect, pray and prepare our hearts for Easter.

Year 5 led the liturgy beautifully, reading clearly and confidently, and helping us all to understand the importance of this sacred day. They reminded us that Lent is a time to grow closer to God through prayer, fasting and acts of kindness.

Thank you to Year 5 for leading with such maturity and respect. You helped our whole school community enter into this important season thoughtfully and prayerfully.

IMPROVED ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

Welcome back to everyone after the half-term break! I hope you all had a lovely and restful time with your families. It has been wonderful to see the children return to school so happy, settled and ready to learn.

A huge shout out to all of our classes for the fantastic improvement in attendance and punctuality this week. We know that being in school every day and arriving on time really makes a difference to children's learning, confidence and friendships. It was especially lovely to see how excited the children with 100% attendance were when receiving their prizes - well done to you all!

Let's keep this momentum going. Roll on next week for even better attendance and punctuality. Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Together, we can help every child to flourish and achieve their very best. Keep it up!

Y1 VISIT TO THE FIRE STATION

A special shout out to our Year 1 children, who enjoyed a fantastic visit to Kensington Fire Station this week as part of their learning. After the trip was unfortunately cancelled at short notice before half term due to an emergency call-out, the children were absolutely delighted that it was finally able to take place.

During their visit, they learnt all about fire safety and how firefighters serve and protect our local community. A real highlight was watching the firefighters demonstrate their powerful water hose – there were lots of wide eyes and excited smiles!

It was a lovely morning out, full of curiosity and enthusiasm. Thank you to Ms Tabone & Ms Chan for organising the visit and our parent helper who supported the trip. The children represented our school beautifully and were a credit to you all. Well done, Year 1!



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HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK

“Encourage one another and help one another, just as you are now doing.” – 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Our school is a hive of activity, with every class busy learning, exploring and growing together.

Each week, we share highlights from every class - this could be linked to exciting learning in a particular subject, positive behaviour, teamwork, kindness, creativity or a special achievement that the children are proud of. Take a look below to see what has made each class shine this week!

NURSERY

Ms Alderton & Ms Williams

We have a wonderful week back settling back into our routine. We have been learning all about Chinese New Year doing lots of amazing activities like making our own lanterns. In maths we have also been learning how to subitise and doing amazing counting up 10.

RECEPTION

Mrs Brewerton & Mrs Reynolds

Reception have had a fantastic week back into school. This week in our PE lessons we have been practicing our balancing skills and different ways of moving. We created a huge obstacle course in our garden and took it in turns to navigate it. It has been lovely to see that since then, the children have been working as a team to independently set up their own obstacle courses during their own play times and have a go. Well done Reception!

YEAR 1

Ms Tabone, Ms Chan & Ms McKeown

Year 1 had a fantastic time on our trip to the fire station this week as part of our History topic 'The Great Fire of London'. We were amazed at the size of a fire truck up close and all had a turn getting into the back of the truck. The firemen were so impressed with our knowledge they even let us have a turn using the hose!

This week, we have also enjoyed learning about Lent and making our own Lent promises.

YEAR 2

Mrs Rabbette, Ms Perez, Mr Morton & Ms McKeown

This week in RE, the children listened to The Cure of a Paralytic - Luke 5: 17 - 26. They recognised that the miracles of Jesus are signs that he is the Son of God. The children looked at an image of the story and discussed the symbolism they could see. They then enjoyed doing a craft activity linked to this scripture. In Maths, the children have started work on fractions. They have been introduced to new vocabulary, like numerator and denominator.

YEAR 3

Mrs Fitchett-Sabbagh, Mrs Oyewale & Ms Conway

We have had a wonderful week learning about Lent and the temptations Jesus faced. The children showed great curiosity and thoughtfulness as we explored this important time. We also learned about Chinese New Year and enjoyed taking part in the celebrations by creating a special craft. The children loved getting creative and learning about traditions from around the world!

YEAR 4

Mrs Cooney & Ms Bullen

Year 4 have really responded so well in to all the learning that has taken place throughout the week. We were especially eager to reflect on the story of the Prodigal Son. We held a lot of talk around the meaning of how this relates to us in our own lives. It was great to see such wonderful drawings linked to this. We have also excelled at working together to produce group dances linked to solids, liquids and gases.



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YEAR 5

Ms Rozycka, Mrs L McCormick, Mrs Maguire & Mrs Xhafa

Year 5 have had a lovely first week back with starting a new topic in Maths and opening a new book in English.

In DT, year 5 we began to look at mechanisms in DT and of course mountains in Geography - we were so impressed with the homework returned from the half term!

Finally, the week ended with a 'Stay and Pray' to help us reflect on this week's gospel value - strength.

YEAR 6

Ms Kaur & Ms Doyle

Year 6 have worked so hard this first week back, from being resilient and motivated to prepare for SATs to being creative and designing our dream restaurant menus on a website in Computing! We have spoken a lot about Lent and how to avoid temptation, with lots of children explaining what they have given up too!

We are ready to have a super half term!