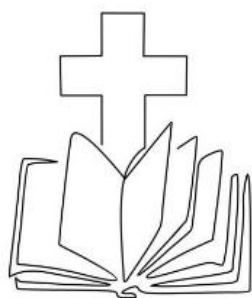




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GOSPEL VALUE OF THE WEEK

HUMILITY

LISTEN to the Word of God

The most holy body & blood of the Lord

"I am telling you the truth: if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you will not have life in yourselves."

Matthew 9: 36 - 10:8

RESPOND to the Word of God

As we reflect, give thought to:

- ♥ Jesus' teaches us to be humble by caring for others with kindness, compassion and a willingness to serve. He saw people who were lost & hurting and he responded with compassion. He sent his disciples to help, heal and serve others with humble hearts.
- ♥ Life is a gift from God and we are called to use that gift to help those around us.

GO FORTH with a mission from the Word of God

Loving God,

Help us to be humble like Jesus, to notice those who need kindness, and to use our gifts to serve others.

Guide us to make gentle, caring choices each day, and remind us that every person is precious to You.

Give us the courage to act with compassion and the wisdom to put others before ourselves.

Amen.



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 BRIGID

SUMMER 2

	St George	St Margaret	St David	St Brigid
Week 1				
Week 2				
Week 3				
Week 4				
Week 5				
Week 6				
TOTAL POINTS	162	177	161	177



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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	Delilah
Reception	Joseph
Year 1	Carter
Year 2	Milan
Year 3	Luke
Year 4	Gabriel
Year 5	Cavani
Year 6	Punit

	NAME
	Ezaan
	CLASS
	Year 6



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.

Y4 HOLY COMMUNION

A huge well done to our Y4 children who made their First Holy Communion last Saturday. It was wonderful to see them looking so proud, calm and grown-up as they took this special step in their faith journey. We are all incredibly proud of them. Thank you to families and St Sebastian's community for surrounding our children with such care and support.

CONGRATULATIONS MRS BREWERTON

We are delighted to share the wonderful news that Mrs Brewerton welcomed a beautiful baby boy last weekend – Elijah (Eli). We're sending her so much love as she begins her maternity leave and enjoys this precious time with her little one. A truly joyful moment for her family and for our whole school community.

Y1 FATHER'S DAY ASSEMBLY: CELEBRATING SUPERHEROES

Our Y1 children end this week with their beautiful Father's Day assembly. It was such a warm, joyful celebration of all the special men in our children's lives – Dads, Step-Dads, Grandads, Uncles, Godfathers, and every male role model who shows up with love, patience, and encouragement.

The children sang the Superhero song with so much pride and the little thank-you love hearts they handed out were just gorgeous – so thoughtful and full of meaning. And the portraits and drawings.. they captured the men in their lives exactly as children see them: strong, funny, kind, and completely adored. Thank you to Mrs Langley & Ms Chan for preparing the children for today.



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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

Nursery enjoyed the Samba Bamba workshop- playing percussion instruments and dancing to a beat! We have also enjoyed learning all about underwater animals taking part in lots of creative activities linking to this like making our own fish using paint!

RECEPTION

Ms Kilroe & Mrs Reynolds

Reception have had a fantastic week! We have been enjoying learning about summer, the different clothes we wear and why. In Maths, we have been exploring different patterns including colours, sizes and shapes. Of course, the highlight of the week was our Samba Bamba session where we listened to amazing music, played instruments and even tried out samba dancing!

YEAR 1

Ms Tabone, Ms Chan & Ms McKeown

What a fun week we have had in Year 1. We have all worked so hard to complete our Maths Quizzes and thought really carefully about everything we had learnt in Year 1 this year. Yesterday, we enjoyed our Samba Bamba workshop. We were all given percussion instruments and loved moving and playing our instruments to the beat of the music. We ended our week by performing our 'Fathers Day' assembly for our grown ups, we celebrated all special men in our lives. You are all superheroes too!

YEAR 2

Mrs Rabbette, Ms Alderton, Mr Morton & Ms McKeown

Year 2 has had an exciting week of learning. On Monday, we welcomed Anna from the charity Mary's Meal. We reflected on how we can help our global neighbour. Yesterday we had a wonderful music workshop - Samba Bamba. The children thoroughly enjoyed playing percussion instruments and moving to the rhythm of the beat. Mr Keegan brought Bee-Bots and maps into the computing lesson so the children could practice their programming skills. In our new DT topic, Miss Walker let the children taste a variety of fruits that originate from Africa.

YEAR 3

Mrs Fitchett-Sabbagh & Ms Conway

This week, Year 3 enjoyed a variety of exciting learning experiences. In RE, we learned about Passover, exploring why it is an important festival and how it is celebrated. We also attended a music workshop, where we had the opportunity to develop our musical skills and enjoy making music together. As part of My Money Week, we took part in activities that helped us learn about saving, spending, and making sensible financial choices

YEAR 4

Ms Perez & Ms Bullen

This week in Year 4 we had lots of fun at a Samba Bamba workshop, learning all about the Brazilian carnival and making music with different instruments!
For My Money week we thought about problems in our local community, and explored how we can use money wisely in order to make a difference.
Following a lovely Holy Communion service at the weekend, we began fundraising for our celebration next month by selling some delicious cakes around school!



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YEAR 5

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

This week, year 5 have LOVED the Samba Mamba workshop. We loved everything about the music, and it reminded us of the dance topic we completed last year.

The children tried so hard in their writing - and so many of our children are using such fantastic SPAG skills without prompts.

Our sewing skills have also been brilliant - we have been recapping different sewing skills, in preparation for making tote bags at the end of the half term! How exciting!

YEAR 6

Ms Kaur & Ms Doyle

Year 6 have had a fantastic week with a Samba Bamba workshop for Make Music Day and designing a new playground with budgeting and presenting for My Money Week!

We have noticed our new RE, History and Music topics follow similar themes of celebrating influential humans from history, especially recognising women and equality throughout history too! We are so excited to begin building our bird boxes for DT to end the week!



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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	92.1%	8	95.1%
Year 1	96.2%	9	94.9%
Year 2	93.3%	7	93.8%
Year 3	93.8%	4	96.4%
Year 4	91.7%	4	96.8%
Year 5	91.6%	21	92.3%
Year 6	96.8%	2	95.4%
Total	93.6%	55	95.0%

SUMMER TERM 2 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 recognising 100% attendance each week, we hope to provide more achievable milestones for our pupils.

ATTENDANCE & WELFARE PROCEDURES

As shared in our newsletter on 12.02.2026, we have now implemented updated attendance & welfare procedures in line with Keeping Children Safe in Education 2025. These procedures came into effect from the week beginning 27.02.2026 & form part of our ongoing commitment to ensuring that every child in our school community is safe, supported & able to thrive.

REPORTING ABSENCE

If your child is unwell or unable to attend school, please remember that parents and carers must telephone the school office before **9.15am**.

Messages sent via ClassDojo cannot be accepted as notification of absence.

If you leave a voicemail, a member of staff will return your call as part of our safeguarding first-response procedures. This ensures that we have spoken directly with a parent or carer & can confirm the reason for the absence.

If we have not received notification by 9.15am, the school will begin our safeguarding first-response process, which may include follow-up phone calls and, where necessary, a home visit.

WELFARE VISITS AFTER 48 HOURS OF ABSENCE

A member of the Senior Leadership Team will carry out a welfare home visit for any child who has been absent for more than 48 hours, even if the school has already been contacted by the family.

These visits are not a sign of concern or mistrust. They are a proactive safeguarding measure designed to check on your child's wellbeing and to check in with parents & carers to see whether any further support is needed to help your child return to school.

Our Catholic mission calls us to care for the whole child & to walk alongside families, especially during times of difficulty.

Welfare visits help us:

- ✓ ensure every child is safe and accounted for
- ✓ maintain strong, supportive communication between home and school
- ✓ identify any barriers that may be preventing a child from returning to school
- ✓ offer practical help, guidance, or signposting where needed
- ✓ uphold our statutory safeguarding responsibilities

These procedures are not intended to cause worry or inconvenience. They are in place because the safety, wellbeing & flourishing of every child is at the heart of our work.



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TERM DATES 2025 - 2026

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

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.

<u>TERM DATES 2026 - 2027</u>

PTFA
FREEZY FRIDAY
 Ice pops for sale on the school playground every Friday!
 Price: 50p (cash only)

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
23.06.2026	N - Y6	World Cup Celebration Day
23.06.2026	Y2	Monthly Class Mass
23.06.2026	N - Y6	National Writing Day
23.06.2026	Y6	LLP MHST Y6 Transition Event
24.06.2026	Selected Pupils	Liverpool & District Catholic Schools Association: Small Inter Athletics
26.06.2026	R - Y5	Transition: Meet Your New Class
26.06.2026	Y1	Stay & Pray Family Session
29.06.2026	Selected Pupils	KS2 Wellbeing Residential (Hucklow)
29.06.2026	Selected Pupils	Rotary & Choir: Tawd Vale Trip
01.07.2026	New to R	New to Reception Parent Meeting
03.07.2026	N & R	EYFS Stay & Pray Family Session
06.07.2026	Selected Pupils	LDCSA Athletics Champion of Champions
07.07.2026	Y4	Whole School Holy Communion Mass (R - Y6)
07.07.2026	Y3	Bikeability
08.07.2026	Y4	Bikeability
08.07.2026	N - Y6	EOY I:I Parent Meetings (1/2)
09.07.2026	N - Y6	Primary Golf Experience Day
09.07.2026	Y3 & Y4	Bikeability

<u>EXTRA-CURRICULAR INFORMATION - SCHOOL WEBSITE</u>
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PTFA INFORMATION

SUPPORT OUR PTFA FOR FREE WITH EASYFUNDRAISING!

Earn cashback for St. Sebastian's Liverpool PTFA
£2.05 raised
2 supporters
Start raising free donations today
Join thousands of others raising for good causes.

We're excited to let you know that our PTFA has signed up to easyfundraising, a simple way to raise money for our school without asking parents to give up their time, attend extra events or spend any additional money.

When you shop online through easyfundraising, thousands of retailers will donate a percentage of what you spend to our PTFA at no extra cost to you. It only takes a few minutes to sign up and then you can raise funds while doing your normal online shopping.

From now until 17th July, for every parent who signs up, our PTFA will receive an extra £3 bonus donation.

If lots of families join, these extra donations will quickly add up and make a real difference to the opportunities and resources we can provide for our children.

Please take a couple of minutes to register and start supporting us today, using the link below:

[ST SEBASTIAN'S EASYFUNDRAISING](#)

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WORLD CUP CELEBRATION DAY

TUESDAY 23rd JUNE 2026



FIFA

We are delighted to announce that we will be holding a World Cup 2026 Celebration Day in school on **Tuesday 23rd June**. This will be a wonderful opportunity for the children to come together, learn about this global sporting event and enjoy a day filled with fun, teamwork and football-themed activities.

Children are invited to come to school wearing the colours of their chosen World Cup team or a football kit from any country competing in this year's tournament. We kindly ask for a **£1** donation, which will go towards supporting future sports and enrichment activities in school.

Throughout the day, the children will take part in a variety of engaging activities designed to help them learn more about:

the history and significance of the World Cup

the countries participating in the 2026 competition

key players to watch and their footballing journeys

the values of teamwork, resilience, and fair play

To add to the excitement, we will also be running a series of football-themed events, including:

Football Skills Workshops led by staff and sports coaches

A lively Beat the Goalie challenge

A Penalty Shoot-Out competition for each year group

We are very much looking forward to a vibrant, energetic day celebrating sport, culture, and community.

