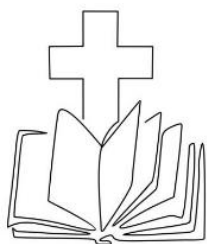




## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2026



### GOSPEL VALUE OF THE WEEK

## HUMILITY

#### **LISTEN** to the Word of God

##### **Sermon of the Mount : The Beatitudes**

Happy are those who are humble; they will receive what God has promised!

Happy are those whose greatest desire is to do what God requires;

God will satisfy them fully!

Happy are those who are merciful to others; God will be merciful to them!

Happy are the pure in heart; they will see God!

Happy are those who work for peace; God will call them his children!

*Matthew 5: 1 - 12*

#### **RESPOND** to the Word of God

As we reflect, give thought to:

- ♥ *What does Jesus teach us about being humble?*
- ♥ *How can we show humility at home and in school?*
- ♥ *Why is it important to celebrate other people's achievements as well as our own?*
- ♥ *How can we follow Jesus' example by putting others before ourselves?*

#### **GO FORTH** with a mission from the Word of God

In the Beatitudes, Jesus reminds us that we do not need to be the loudest, strongest or most important person to make a difference. Instead, He calls us to be gentle, kind and thoughtful, recognising the gifts of others and putting their needs before our own.

At St Sebastian's, we can show humility by celebrating the achievements of others, admitting when we make mistakes, accepting help and treating everyone with kindness and respect.

##### **MISSION CHALLENGE:**

**Try to do something kind for someone without expecting praise or reward. Remember, even the smallest acts of kindness can make the biggest difference.**



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.



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:

*"Guided by Christ, inspired by St Sebastian:  
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   | Marzan           |
| Reception | Miles            |
| Year 1    | Rowen            |
| Year 2    | Alessandra       |
| Year 3    | Darius           |
| Year 4    | Amani            |
| Year 5    | Fallon           |
| Year 6    | Krishoan         |



#### **NAME**

Aron

#### **CLASS**

Year 4

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2026****HOUSE POINTS**

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**

**AUTUMN 1**

|        | St George                                                                           | St Margaret                                                                         | St David                                                                            | St Brigid                                                                           |
|--------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Week 1 |                                                                                     |  |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| Week 2 |  |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| Week 3 |  |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| Week 4 |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |  |                                                                                     |
| Week 5 |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |  |                                                                                     |
| Week 6 |                                                                                     |  |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |
| Week 7 |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |                                                                                     |  |

**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.

| STATUTORY CLASSES | Weekly Attendance | Punctuality (Lates) | Attendance to date |
|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Reception         | 92.9%             | 5                   | 93.9%              |
| Year 1            | 97.7%             | 10                  | 95.7%              |
| Year 2            | 96.0%             | 5                   | 98.2%              |
| Year 3            | 94.0%             | 8                   | 93.3%              |
| Year 4            | 99.5%             | 4                   | 95.5%              |
| Year 5            | 97.1%             | 5                   | 96.7%              |
| Year 6            | 95.4%             | 15                  | 96.0%              |
| Total             | 96.1%             | 52                  | 95.6%              |

**AUTUMN 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 |   |    |  |    |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |
| Week 7 |   |    |                                                                                       |    |  |                                                                                       |                                                                                       |

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.

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

**ATTENDANCE POLICY****SAFE HANDOVER & COLLECTION POLICY****LATE COLLECTION POLICY****MASS TIME-TABLE**

We invite you to come, celebrate and grow in faith at our local churches. ALL ARE INVITED & WELCOME!

**Saturday (4.30pm) at St Oswald's | Sunday (9.30am) at St Oswald's | Sunday (11.00am) at St Sebastian's**

*Guided by Christ, inspired by St Sebastian: Only My Best Will Do. Be Kind To One Another. Amen*



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### MRS J MCCORMICK'S CELEBRATION SHOUT-OUTS

*Guided by Christ, inspired by St Sebastian:  
Only my best will do. Be kind to one another. Amen.*

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 St Sebastian's such a special place.

#### DAYCARE & EYFS: TUESDAY TALES

It was lovely to welcome so many of our families into daycare & EYFS on Tuesday for our 'Tuesday Tales: Read With Me' session. Staff shared that there was a real buzz of excitement as children enjoyed sharing stories and spending special reading time with their loved ones. It was wonderful to see our youngest children so excited and a great opportunity to develop their love of reading from the very earliest stage. A huge thank you to all the families who joined us and made the session so special!

#### Y5 MONTHLY MASS

This week, our Y5 children attended monthly mass, joining St Sebastian's parish in prayer and worship. It is always lovely seeing our children taking an active part in parish life and growing in their faith. A special thank you to Fr Liam and our parishioners for always making our children feel so welcome. I am incredibly proud of the respect and reverence our Y5 children showed throughout Mass, representing St Sebastian's beautifully.

#### PTFA HALLOWEEN DISCOS

A huge thank you to our wonderful PTFA for organising the first event of the year: Halloween Discos for EYFS & KS1 (Tuesday) and KS2 (Wednesday). What a fantastic time the children had! It was lovely to see everyone enjoying themselves, with some very impressive dance moves on display! A particular highlight was the KS2 disco, where the children voluntarily formed a huge circle and took turns showing off their best dance moves in some brilliant dance-offs! Thank you PTFA, what a fun way to end the half-term!

#### GOOD LUCK MRS FITCHETT-SABBAGH

On behalf of everyone at St Sebastian's, I would like to wish Mrs Fitchett-Sabbagh lots of love and best wishes as she starts her maternity leave after half-term. We hope she enjoys this very special time with her family as they prepare to welcome their new arrival. We can't wait to hear the exciting baby news!

#### HAPPY HALF-TERM

As we reach the end of our first half term, I would like to say a huge thank you to all our children, families and staff for your continued support. It has been a busy few weeks, with so many lovely moments to celebrate across our school. Thank you, as always, for working with us to ensure our children are happy, healthy and making the most of every school day. **Wishing all our St Sebastian's families a happy, safe and restful half term. We look forward to welcoming everyone back after the break!**

#### STAFF TRAINING: CSED

Over the past three weeks, our staff meetings, led by Mrs Rabbette, have focused on evaluating our practice to support our Catholic Self-Evaluation Document. Staff have explored three key areas: Catholic Life and Mission, Prayer and Liturgy and Religious Education, celebrating our strengths and identifying areas for further development. Listening to the discussions, I couldn't help but feel incredibly proud of our school and appreciate just how much our staff and governors give to our children.

From our youngest children in Daycare and Nursery talking about why they are special and thanking God for His wonderful creation, to our Year 6 children discussing Catholic Social Teaching and how they can make the world a better place, it was lovely to hear how our children are growing in faith and becoming wonderful ambassadors of Christ. I often say that St Sebastian's is a family. We are all God's children, called to love and serve Him and one another. These sessions really reinforced that for me. Our Catholic mission isn't just words on a wall; it is something we live every day.

A huge thank you to Mrs Rabbette for leading these sessions and to all our staff for their contributions and continued dedication to our children. There is always room to grow, but we should also be incredibly proud of all that we do.

#### ALDER HEY PJ DAY

On Thursday, our children and staff swapped their uniforms and usual work clothes for their pyjamas to raise money for Alder Hey Children's Hospital!

It was lovely to see everyone getting involved, all for such a wonderful cause. Alder Hey does incredible work supporting children and families, including so many within our school community so this is a charity particularly close to our hearts.

Thanks to your generosity we raised a fantastic **£277.40!** A special thank you also to those families who kindly brought in items from Alder Hey's donation wish list. As always, we are so blown away with your kindness and generosity, it really is appreciated!

#### WELL DONE LUKE, REMMY, ALBA & VALENTINA

A huge congratulations to Luke (Y4), Remy and Alba (Y5) and Valentina (Y6) who have been selected to represent Liverpool Primary Schools at the British Cross Challenge Cross Country event at Sefton Park on Saturday 28th November 2026!

This is a fantastic achievement! Hundreds of children from primary schools across Liverpool have competed in cross country events this season, so to be chosen to represent our city is something to be incredibly proud of. Their hard work, determination and enthusiasm have certainly paid off, and we couldn't be prouder of them here at St Sebastian's!

Well done to all four children! We wish you the very best of luck in November – we'll be cheering you on!



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2026

### HIGHLIGHTS OF THE WEEK

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

St Sebastian's 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!

### DAYCARE (9MONTHS – 2 YEARS)

#### **BABY ROOM**

**Ms Hannah & Mrs Natalie**

This week in the Baby Room, we've continued embracing the theme of "Autumn" and also enjoyed our first "Early Years Read with Me" session, where parents joined us to share delightful stories together. Creativity has shone brightly this week in our Baby Room as we've explored exciting ways to move our bodies to music and enjoyed familiar nursery rhymes, dancing and mimicking actions with friends, as well as creating beautiful canvas paintings of pumpkins for our families at home. We're also looking forward to wearing our pyjamas to support Alder Hey and help raise money for charity. We hope all our little ones have a wonderful half-term, and we can't wait to see everyone back with us again soon!

#### **TODDLER ROOM**

**Ms Chloe & Mrs Marilyn**

This week in the Toddler Room, we have been developing our listening skills through a range of fun and engaging activities. The children enjoyed listening to a variety of autumn sounds and using their listening skills to identify and guess what they could hear. We also took part in a musical circle time, exploring a variety of songs and rhythms from different cultures. The children enjoyed listening and playing along with musical instruments in celebration of World Children's Day.

We are looking forward to ending the term with a cosy pyjama day, as part of fundraising for Alder Hey Children's Hospital. We wish all our families a wonderful half-term break and look forward to welcoming everyone back soon!

### EARLY YEARS

#### **NURSERY : PRE-SCHOOL**

**Ms Gould & Ms Gleeson**

What a fantastic final week we have had in Nursery! Our last week has been full of pumpkin fun! We have loved learning how pumpkins grow from a tiny seed and discovering that they are actually a fruit! We have enjoyed a pumpkin hunt, pumpkin painting and even making our own pumpkin soup!

We ended our week in our cosy PJs supporting Alder Hey!

What a wonderful first half-term we have had! It has been a pleasure teaching our Nursery children, and we are so proud of how well they have settled and how much they love our Learning Loft! Have a lovely half-term everyone!

#### **RECEPTION**

**Mrs Feeney & Ms Williams**

Reception have had an amazing last week of their very first half term in Reception. We have been continuing to develop our phonics knowledge and our teachers have been blown away by our blending skills as we begin our reading journey. We've loved having some trick or treat themed dressing up in our home corner as well as some pumpkin fun.

Reception also delighted in participating in some Baptism role play with the children showing a wonderful understanding of how this celebration welcomes us into the family of God.

Finishing the week in our cosy PJs and having some time to relax and reflect on all of our hard work this term has been wonderful and I hope the children feel as proud of themselves as the teachers are of them!

### KEY STAGE 1

#### **YEAR 1**

**Ms Alderton, Mrs Langley, Mrs Reynolds**

We are so proud of Year One for completing their first half-term and demonstrating such fantastic learning, enthusiasm and hard work! This week, the children have impressed us with their wonderful writing in both English and History, as well as creating some amazing final pieces of artwork, showcasing their creativity and artistic skills. We also loved seeing everyone having so much fun at the Halloween disco! We hope all our families have a lovely, restful half-term break. You have certainly earned it, Year One!

#### **YEAR 2**

**Mrs Rabbette, Mrs Fitchett-Sabbagh, Ms McKeown & Ms Chan**

This week, Year 2 has worked hard in English to complete a circular narrative, based on the book, 'A River'. The children impressed us with their use of expanded noun phrases and writing in paragraphs.

The children were excited to share their ideas for planning this week's Celebration of the Word for the whole school, based on the Gospel value 'Obedience'. The children loved wearing their pyjamas to school today, to raise money for Alder Hey Children's Hospital. We are grateful for all money donations received, as well as brand-new items for sick children.

Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2026****KEY STAGE 2****YEAR 3****Mr Myles, Mr Morton & Ms Conway**

We've had another busy and exciting week in Year 3! In Maths, we have been developing our column addition skills, learning how to set out our calculations correctly and use exchanging when needed. In English, the children have been getting creative with The Iron Man, writing descriptive sentences about their imaginative traps and choosing exciting vocabulary to bring their ideas to life. We have also been working hard on our weekly spellings and practising different spelling patterns. In History, we have continued exploring Prehistory, looking at the different tools people used during the Stone Age and how these helped them survive. Finally, in RE, we have been reflecting on Psalm 19 and the wonders of God's creation, discussing how the beauty of the world around us shows just how amazing creation is. Well done, Year 3, for another fantastic week of learning!

**YEAR 4****Ms Kaur & Ms Case**

What a way to end our first half term in Year 4! We've enjoyed working so hard on our Newspaper Reports in English and cannot wait to immerse into a new vehicle text next half term! We had the best time finishing Branch 1 in RE, showing off our amazing knowledge and understanding of God's Covenant with Abraham and how to put our faith into action. We had so much fun starting our Addition and Subtraction unit in Mathematics, using place value charts and counters to help us with exploring new learning. Some of us attended the KS2 Halloween Disco on Wednesday and danced the evening away in our fantastic costumes! Finally, we supported Alder Hey on our last day of half term by wearing our pyjamas and completing an Extended Write on how to stay safe during Halloween! We cannot believe how much we have achieved as a class and individually in Autumn 1, it has got us excited for what is to come in Autumn 2!

**YEAR 5****Ms Perez & Ms Bullen**

We have had a busy and exciting last week of term this week. We attended Monthly Mass with Father Liam on Tuesday, and in RE this week we thought about 'The Common Good', exploring the work that CAFOD do to help others and creation flourish. In Art we made our final Autumn cushions, using our fantastic sewing skills and decorating them with colourful and cosy designs! In History, we finished our Viking topic, reflecting on all we had learned about the Vicious and Victorious Vikings! On Thursday, we wore our pyjamas in support of Alder Hey. We are looking forward to exploring our new topics after half term!

**YEAR 6****Mrs L McCormick, Mr Mosaid, Ms Doyle & Mrs Maguire**

It has been another busy week in year 6! We have begun tackling long multiplication, multiplying 4 digits by 2 digits. In English we have been analysing our new text, which is commemorating a true hero- Irena Sendler. We have continued our work in RE focusing on vocations within the church and this week have been exploring other vocations within the church such as 'brothers and sisters' who dedicate their life to church and the vows that they take which linked in nicely to our whole school theme of Obedience this week. It has been a busy start to year 6, we have all worked so hard and now looking forward to a week off to recharge our batteries.

**HANDWRITING OF THE MONTH**

Each month, staff will select one child from every class, from Reception right through to Year 6, who has particularly impressed them with their handwriting, presentation or the care and effort they put into their work.

From early mark-making and developing pencil control in Reception to beautifully presented written work in Year 6, we want to recognise effort, improvement and children taking pride in their learning.

The children's wonderful work is now proudly displayed around school for everyone to see, giving our winners the opportunity to celebrate their achievements and inspire others.

A huge well done to our September winners! It's not about having perfect handwriting, but about making progress, taking pride in your work and showing that "Only my best will do!"



| OCTOBER   |         |
|-----------|---------|
| Nursery   | Zelina  |
| Reception | Darla   |
| Year 1    | Bobby   |
| Year 2    | Aaliyah |
| Year 3    | Kaima   |
| Year 4    | Grace   |
| Year 5    | Abigail |
| Year 6    | Diana   |

**EXTENDED SCHOOL AFTER SCHOOL CLUB****Updated Collection Arrangements**

From Monday 2nd November 2026, our Extended School After-School Club will be moving back to its original room in the EYFS building.

This means that children attending After-School Club will now have their own dedicated space, rather than using classrooms or the school hall. This will provide a more settled and welcoming environment for children to relax and enjoy activities at the end of the school day.

**How to collect your child:**

1. Go to the EYFS | Daycare entrance and press number 3 on the buzzer to gain access.
2. Walk up the ramp to the next gate.
3. Press the ASC buzzer at the gate at the top of the ramp and wait to be admitted.
4. Make your way to the EYFS building entrance, where your child will be brought to you for collection.

**As there is now a buzzer system in place, you no longer need to telephone the school when arriving to collect your child.**

Important reminder: All children must be collected promptly from EYFS entrance by **5.00pm**.

Thank you for your continued support and cooperation with these arrangements.



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### **ARCHDIOCESE OF LIVERPOOL SCHOOL BUILDING FUND ANNUAL SCHOOL LEVY**

Dear Parents | Carers,

Each year, St Sebastian's contributes to the Archdiocese of Liverpool School Building Fund, commonly known as the School Levy.

This fund helps Catholic schools across the Archdiocese maintain, repair and improve their buildings, ensuring our children continue to benefit from safe, welcoming and well-maintained learning environments.

As a Voluntary Aided Catholic school, we are required to contribute towards the cost of certain building works. The Archdiocese's School Building Fund helps schools meet these costs, with contributions coming from both schools and parishes.

We would be extremely grateful if families would consider making a voluntary contribution towards this year's School Levy. The suggested amount is **£10 per family** for the 2026–2027 academic year, regardless of how many children you have attending St Sebastian's. **However, any contribution, no matter how small, would be greatly appreciated.**

The fund has already made a difference to our school. In recent years, we have benefited from funding towards the replacement of our boundary walls, helping us maintain and improve our school environment.

#### **How can I contribute?**

**If you would like to support the school levy fund, you can make your contribution through School Gateway, with the reference: School Levy.**

We fully appreciate that every family's circumstances are different and we would like to reassure you that contributions are entirely voluntary, with no obligation or expectation to donate.

We are incredibly grateful for the many ways our families support St Sebastian's throughout the year. Every contribution, however big or small, is genuinely appreciated and helps us continue to provide the very best environment for our children.

Thank you, as always, for your kindness, generosity and continued support of our St Sebastian's school community.

### **PUPIL MEDICAL & WELFARE FORM**

We kindly remind parents and carers to complete the **Pupil Medical and Welfare Form**.

These forms ensure we have the most up-to-date information about your child's health, medical needs, allergies, wellbeing support, and any changes that may help us care for them safely and effectively in school.

**Pupil Medical and Welfare Form**

### **MGL ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTERS FOR PARENTS & CARERS**

**"It is essential that children are safeguarded from potentially harmful and inappropriate online material."**

*Keeping Children Safe in Education 2026*



Keeping our children safe online has never been more important. With technology developing so rapidly, particularly the growing use of AI, social media, gaming and online platforms, it can be difficult for parents & carers to keep up with the latest trends, risks and challenges.

We know that screens are now a big part of children's everyday lives, whether they are watching videos, playing games, using apps or communicating with others. Whilst technology can offer wonderful opportunities for learning and enjoyment, **it is important that we know what our children are watching, who they are interacting with and what content they may be exposed to.** Just because a child is sitting safely at home on a tablet, phone or gaming device does not necessarily mean they are safe online.

As parents and carers, we all have an important role in setting appropriate boundaries, monitoring screen time, checking age restrictions, using parental controls and having regular conversations with our children about their online experiences.

To help support our families, MGL produces monthly Online Safety Newsletters, providing practical advice, guidance and important updates about the digital world our children are growing up in.

#### **THIS MONTH'S EDITION FOCUS ON:**

**Tone Matters – How Messages Can Be Misunderstood Online**

### **MGL ONLINE SAFETY NEWSLETTERS FOR PARENTS AND CARERS**

#### **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES Autumn 2**

**Please note that there will be no extra-curricular clubs during the first week back after half-term.**

Our Autumn 2 extra-curricular timetable will be shared with families on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November, with clubs starting the week beginning Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2026.

**WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2026****TERM DATES 2026 - 2027**

Please ensure you check term dates carefully before booking any holidays or making family arrangements.

Any request for leave of absence during term time will **NOT** be authorised, except for medical reasons supported by appropriate evidence.

Below are important dates for your reference in which children do **NOT** attend St Sebastian's.

**INSET 2 – STAFF TRAINING**

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 2026

**AUTUMN - OCTOBER HALF TERM**

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> – Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2026

**CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS**

Monday 21<sup>st</sup> December – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> January

**INSET 3 – STAFF TRAINING**

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2027

**SPRING - FEBRUARY HALF TERM**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2027

**EASTER HOLIDAYS**

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2027

**INSET 4 – STAFF TRAINING**

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2027

**MAY DAY**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2027

**SUMMER – MAY HALF TERM**

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> June 2027

**INSET 5 – STAFF TRAINING**

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2027

**SUMMER HOLIDAYS**

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2027

Our Governing Body has now approved the 2027–2028 school term dates, which can be viewed using the link below. Please check these dates carefully before booking any holidays or making family arrangements.

**TERM DATES 2027 - 2028****IMPORTANT DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

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.

Therefore, we have updated our school website calendar for the full academic year (as much as reasonably possible), with upcoming activities, workshops, competitions, PTFA events, parent meetings etc. Information regarding specific child attendance, timings & location of events etc will be shared with families privately via ClassDoJo | FAMILY.

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

We aim to keep you updated as soon as new information becomes available. Please use the link below to access the school website calendar:

**SCHOOL WEBSITE CALENDAR**

| Date            | Year Group                | Event                                       |
|-----------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 02.11.26        | Daycare – Y6              | Number Confidence Week                      |
| <b>02.11.26</b> | <b>Y1 – Y6</b>            | <b>All Souls Mass (Led by Y5)</b>           |
| 03.11.26        | Y3 & Y5                   | LSSP Power Programme                        |
| <b>04.11.26</b> | <b>Y5 &amp; Y6</b>        | <b>Scholastic Book Fair</b>                 |
| 05.11.26        | Y6                        | Faith in Action                             |
| <b>05.11.26</b> | <b>Y3 &amp; Y4</b>        | <b>Scholastic Book Fair</b>                 |
| 06.11.26        | Y1 & Y2                   | Diwali – Festival of Light                  |
| <b>06.11.26</b> | <b>Daycare – Y6</b>       | <b>Family Friday: Learn with Me Session</b> |
| <b>06.11.26</b> | <b>Y1 &amp; Y2</b>        | <b>Scholastic Book Fair</b>                 |
| <b>08.11.26</b> | <b>Daycare &amp; EYFS</b> | <b>Scholastic Book Fair</b>                 |
| <b>09.11.26</b> | <b>Y3 – Y6</b>            | <b>Scholastic Book Fair: KS2 Last Look</b>  |
| 09.11.26        | Daycare – Y6              | Anti-Bullying Week                          |
| 09.11.26        | Daycare – EYFS            | World Nursery Rhyme Week                    |
| 09.11.26        | Y6                        | Spooky Science Event (Liverpool University) |
| 10.11.26        | Y3 & Y5                   | LSSP Power Programme                        |
| <b>10.11.26</b> | <b>Y1 – Y6</b>            | <b>Remembrance Service</b>                  |
| <b>10.11.26</b> | <b>Daycare – Y2</b>       | <b>Scholastic Book Fair: Last Look</b>      |
| <b>12.11.26</b> | <b>Daycare – Nursery</b>  | <b>New to Reception 2027 Open Evening</b>   |
| 13.11.26        | Selected Pupils           | Y3 & Y4 LSSP Sports Hall Athletics          |
| 17.11.26        | Reception                 | Reception Dental Session                    |
| 17.11.26        | Y3 & Y5                   | LSSP Power Programme                        |
| 18.11.26        | KS2                       | KS2 LSSP SEND NAK Competition               |
| 19.11.26        | Y6                        | Faith in Action                             |
| 20.11.26        | Selected Pupils           | LFC Community Cohesion Event at Anfield     |
| 24.11.26        | Y3 & Y5                   | LSSP Power Programme                        |
| <b>24.11.26</b> | <b>Y4</b>                 | <b>Monthly Mass</b>                         |
| <b>24.11.26</b> | <b>Daycare – EYFS</b>     | <b>Tuesday Tales: Read with Me Session</b>  |



## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER – THURSDAY 22ND OCTOBER 2026



### St Sebastian's Catholic Primary School





## New to Reception 2027



**Thursday 12th  
November 2026  
(4.15pm – 5.15pm)**

Come and find out more about our welcoming school, meet our staff, explore our learning environment and see our fantastic early years provision.



Please contact the school office to book your attendance.



Guided by Christ, inspired by St Sebastian.  
Only my best will do. Be kind to one another.

### RECEPTION ADMISSIONS 2027 - 2028

Reminder to families applying for Reception places for September 2027.

The closing date for applications is:

**15TH JANUARY 2027.**

Please follow this link to apply:

<https://liverpool.gov.uk/schools-and-learning/school-admissions/how-to-apply/>

**PARENTS ARE REMINDED THAT ATTENDANCE AT ST SEBASTIAN'S NURSERY DOES NOT GUARANTEE OR PROVIDE AUTOMATIC ADMISSION TO ST SEBASTIAN'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL.**

**APPLICATIONS FOR RECEPTION PLACES ARE MADE THROUGH THE USUAL SCHOOL ADMISSIONS PROCESS.**

### RECEPTION ADMISSIONS 2027 - 2028

For applications to be considered under the Catholic faith criteria, there is a **requirement for baptism** to take place by this date also.

Please take prompt action if you wish your child to be baptised and contact your parish office.

If you are applying for a place at St Sebastian's we ask that you also complete a **Supplementary Faith Request Form** which is to be returned to school via email to:

[sebastians-s1@st-sebastians.liverpool.sch.uk](mailto:sebastians-s1@st-sebastians.liverpool.sch.uk) or by post:

St Sebastian's Catholic Primary School, Holly Road,  
Fairfield, Liverpool L7 0LH

Please give details of your child's baptism on this form and return to school by the **15th January 2027** for your application to be ranked correctly.

For those children baptised in St Sebastian's or St Oswald's church, you should state the approximate date of baptism and the parish records will be checked. We require a copy of the baptism certificate if your child was baptised in another parish.

If you require support completing admission applications or have any questions, please contact the school office (Mrs Von-Bargen) on 0151 260 9697 or via the above email.

### YEAR 7 ADMISSIONS 2027 - 2028

A reminder for parents/carers of Y6 children that the deadline to apply for a Y7 Secondary School place for your child for September 2027 is

**31ST OCTOBER 2026.**

Please visit [www.liverpool.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.liverpool.gov.uk/admissions) where all the necessary information is posted and links to apply are located.

### LATE APPLICATIONS

Late applications are less likely to be offered a place at your preferred schools. National Offer Day:

**Year 7 - 2nd March 2027**

**Reception - 16th April 2027**