



WHAT'S IN THE NEWS?

You may have realised that Mr Jessop wasn't in school last week. We are pleased to share with you all this was due to him getting married. I know you join will all join with the staff in school congratulating the new Mr and Mrs Jessop, wish them every happiness for their future together and we look forward to him returning to school on 5th October.

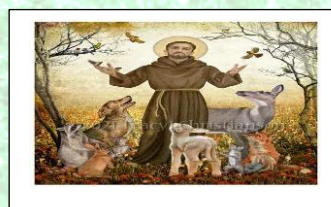


After a recent stock take, we have now uploaded all the remaining uniform we have to sell. Items are limited and on a first come, first serve basis. Once purchased we will endeavour to send home with the child on the same day.

This week children in year 6 will continue with their swimming lessons on Wednesday, On Friday Year 1 will enjoy their next Forest School session and year 5 continue with their DAaRT session. Also, on Friday we will have our first tuck shop of this school year raising money for the parish Live Simply group. As this money is for the parish, we are only able to take cash so if you would like to support this worthwhile cause, please give your child 50p to buy some chocolate.

FEAST DAYS CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK.

On Thursday, we will be celebrating the feast day of St Therese of Lisieux. This will be a non-uniform day for children who are in this house BUT they must wear something red as that is their house colour. If you are unsure which house your child is in, please check the colour of their name on their organiser as that is their house colour. All the children in the house will join together to find out how we will live like St Therese. We can represent her by a little action, sacrifice for God and love. Little things can make a big difference.



On Friday we will celebrate the feast of St Francis. Year 6 have been invited to represent our school at our hub mass which will take place at the Becket School. Our Lay Chaplains have invited us to stay for lunch and join with the Year 6 children from the other feeder primary schools. Parents of children in Year 6 will receive a separate letter with more details so Please ensure the permission slip is signed and returned to school this week.

WORD OF THE WEEK: LISTEN

Week 26 in Ordinary Time **Year A**

Word of the Week

Listen

First Reading
[1] Leviticus 19:25-28
Gospel Reading
[1] Matthew 21:28-32

Hebrew Bible
[2] Proverbs 22:19-29
New Testament
[2] John 9:1-41

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Spend some time in prayer and listen to what God might be calling you to do for those around you.

Daily Breakfast Club 7:45-8:45	EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES	
Monday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Lacrosse (Year 4, 5 and 6)	3:30 - 4:30
Tuesday Breakfast Club	Music Tuition TB Sport: Basketball (Year 1,2 and 3)	All day 3:30 - 4:30
Wednesday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Games (Year 1,2 and 3)	3:30 - 4:30
Thursday Breakfast Club	TB Sport: Basketball (Year 4, 5 and 6)	3:30 - 4:30
Friday Breakfast Club	No afterschool provision	

ATTENDANCE SHOUT OUTS!!

Miss Bradshaw is currently absent from work through illness; we wish her well in her recovery. In her absence Mrs Barfield and Mrs Rogers are monitoring attendance and SLT will carry out home visits where necessary. It was a fantastic week for attendance with all classes in KS1 and KS2 achieving above our target of 97%. Year 6 achieved 98.71%, Year 4 – 98.44%, Year 3 – 98.13%, Year 1 97.83%, Year 5 – 97.1% and Year 2 with 97.04%. Let's continue this over the coming weeks.





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Week beginning:	School Event	Assemblies/Services	After School
31 st August	1 st Sept: INSET DAY 2 nd Sept: INSET Day 3 rd Sept: School opens to pupils	3 rd Sept Welcome back Celebration of the Word	
7 th September	7 th Sept – Meet the Teacher 3:20-4pm 9 th Sept – 11 th Sept Hathersage residential – Year 3 and 4	7 th Sept C.O.T.W 9 th Sept Swimming commences for Year 6 11 th Sept DAaRT begins for Year 5	
14 th September	16 th Sept – Individual and family photos 18 th Sept – Jeans for Genes Non-Uniform day. Cake sale for Macmillan Cancer	14 th Sept Welcome Mass led by Year 6 at 9:15am in church 18 th Sept: Celebration Assembly	EXTENDED SERVICES CLUBS BEGIN 14 th Sept – Year 6 Information Meeting 6pm. 17 th Stion Meeting at Christ the King
21 st September	25 th Sept: International Day	21 st Sept: C.O.T.W 25 th Sept International Day Assembly 2:30pm	
28 th September	29 th September Governor's meeting 1 st Oct St Therese of Liseux Feast Day 2 nd Oct St Francis Feast Day 2 nd Oct: Fairtrade Tuck Shop	28 th Sept C.O.T.W 1 st Oct St Therese of Liseux House Feast Day C.O.T.W 3 rd Oct – St Francis Hub Mass TBC 2 nd Oct: Celebration Assembly	
5 th October	9 th Oct: World Mental Health Day	5 th Oct: C.O.T.W 7 th Oct: Harvest C.O.T.W led by Year 5 at 2:40pm	
12 th October	12 th Oct St Edward Feast Day 12 th Oct Parent / teacher meetings 3:30-6:30pm 15 th October Flu Immunisations	12 th Oct St Edward Feast Day Mass led by Year 4 in church at 9:30am 16 th Oct: Achiever of the Half Term Awards	12 th Oct Parent / teacher meetings 3:30-6:30pm 14 th Oct – Parent / teacher meetings 3:30-5:30pm
19 th October	HALF TERM		
26 th October	HALF TERM		
2 nd November	4 th Nov Provision Map reviews all day 6 th Nov Provision Map reviews all day 6 th Nov – Fairtrade Tuckshop	2 nd Nov: C.O.T.W 6 th Nov: Celebration Assembly 2:30pm	
9 th November	11 th Nov Remembrance Day Liturgy 10:45am	11 th Nov: Remembrance Day Liturgy 13 th Nov: Celebration Assembly	
16 th November	Anti Bullying Week 20 th Nov Youth Fun Day TBC	16 th Nov C.O.T.W	22 nd Nov: Feast of Christ the King. School lead parish Mass 9am.
23 rd November	24 th Nov Governor's meeting 27 th Nov INSET DAY	23 rd Nov C.O.T.W	
30 th November	4 th Dec Fairtrade Tuckshop	30 th Nov Advent C.O.T.W led by Year -6 4 th Dec: Celebration Assembly	
7 th December	10 th Dec EYFS / KS1 Nativity 9:30am 11 th Dec Reception visit the theatre.	7 th Dec: Advent Mass in church 9:30am	
14 th December	14 th Dec Christmas jumper Day 14 th Dec Christmas Fayre Day 16 th Dec Christmas Dinner and party afternoon	14 th Dec Advent C.O.T.W led by Year 5 18 th Dec: Achievers of the term awards 18 th Dec Christmas Carol Service led by Year 3 and 4	

PUPIL VOICE

Application forms for this important Sacramental preparation programme are now available and is designed for baptised Catholic children in Year 3 and above in school. Please meet with one of the catechists who will be present in each of our parish centres after Mass on Saturday / Sunday to distribute the application packs to those parents who are present at Mass. The closing date for applications is Friday 16th October 2026 and the programme will begin slightly earlier after the autumn half-term holiday.



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PARISH NOTICES:

Home Mission Sunday – The Joy of Knowing Jesus Christ Thank you for your generosity in the collection for Home Mission Sunday last week. The total from all three churches was £452.06 and will be sent to the Bishops' Conference in support of their work in evangelisation.

Celebrate the Season of Creation ...and St Francis' 800th Anniversary of dying by coming along to our Live Simply meal on Sunday 4th October, 1pm at Sacred Heart Community Centre. This year's Season of Creation theme is Living Water, so we're aiming to raise funds for a CAFOD Well which will provide clean water to a community in need. So you pay on the day, as you feel and are able to, towards the cost of the food and hopefully a Well too. Please sign up on the sheet at the back of Church, using a new line for each person attending to ensure there's enough food. Everyone is welcome; under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.

CAFOD Harvest Fast Day is on Friday 2nd October. This Harvest CAFOD is sharing stories of change from northern Zimbabwe where tackling hunger and thirst is helping children get back to learning. Envelopes for this will be distributed today for return next weekend when there will be a Second Collection for Cafod. Please be generous in this collection

Growing in Faith Together. This group began its journey last week and if you missed last Thursday's meeting we will be meeting again this Thursday at 7pm in the café at Our Lady and St Edward's. All are welcome who want to know more about our Church or are thinking about becoming Catholic.

Praying the Rosary Together during the month of October will be led by Deacon Anthony on Monday evenings starting on Monday 5th October at 7pm in the Lady Chapel, St Augustine's Church. Subsequent Mondays will be at OLSE (12th), Sacred Heart (19th) and St Augustine's (26th). All are welcome.

First Holy Communion 2026-2027 Application forms for the preparation for First Reconciliation and Holy Communion next year are available from our parish catechists after Mass from this weekend. Please meet them in the parish centres to pick up an information pack. All applications must be returned to the parish office by Friday 16th October 2026. Applications after this date will not be accepted. Please complete the form in clear block capitals answering all relevant questions. If your child was not baptised in one of our three churches, please obtain a copy of their baptism certificate.

Pope Leo's Prayer intention for October: For mental health ministry. Let us pray that mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

Nottingham Deanery Bishop's Visitation. On Thursday of this week (1st October), the Bishop will begin his formal visitation of the parishes of the deanery and all are invited to a Holy Hour of Adoration and Confessions where the Bishop will speak about the 5-Year Plan and the First Steps that we are taking in our parish to move forward with him. The adoration will be held at Corpus Christi, Clifton and will begin at 7pm. There will be refreshments afterwards for those attending. All are welcome to attend.

Foundation Governors: Our parish schools need Foundation Governors to work with the staff in ensuring their Catholic ethos is forefront in their mission. There will be a meeting for all interested in becoming a governor at Sacred Heart Community Centre on Monday 5th October at 7.30pm. We will be joined by our Head Teachers and current governors who will speak to the role, commitment and training. Please do come along!!

Please Pray for:

- The sick in our parish, especially those in hospital and who carry their illness silently.
- The repose of the soul of Dennis Fogarty RIP whose funeral Mass is on Friday this week.

This week:

- Community Café at Our Lady & St Edward's: this Wednesday 12-3. All welcome.
- Community Café at Sacred Heart Community Centre: this Thursday 12 – 3 All welcome
- Meditation Group: 4-week Introductory Course 1st October 7.30 - 8.30 pm in the Sacred Heart Community Centre. The theme of the talk this coming Thursday is: The Fruits of Meditation. All Welcome to come to one or all sessions.

Year 6 Parents: Don't Miss the Secondary School Application Deadline. If your child was born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 he or she will be starting Year 7 in September 2027. You must apply for a secondary school place through your home Local Authority by Sunday 31st October. If you would like your child to be considered for a Catholic school under a Catholic faith admission criterion, there is an additional step: Complete the school's Supplementary Information Form (SIF). Send the completed SIF directly to the school. Send the required supporting evidence (for example, a copy of your child's Baptism certificate) directly to the school. The Supplementary Information Form and supporting evidence must be sent to the school, not to the Local Authority. The Local Authority application and the school's Supplementary Information Form are separate processes. Both must be completed by the deadline if you wish your child to be considered under the school's faith-based admissions criteria. If the school does not receive the Supplementary Information Form and supporting evidence by the deadline, your child may be placed in a lower admissions category, which could affect their chance of securing a place. If you do not have a copy of your child's Baptism certificate, contact the parish where your child was baptised as soon as possible to request a replacement. If you apply for a non-Catholic school which requires a Minister's Reference, please speak to Fr Chris first as he will not respond to faith reference requests he does not know about.

Gateway Mission Project. Thank you to all who expressed an interest in the project and the useful suggestions that were made following the appeal last weekend. The Steering Group will follow these up at our next meeting. Dates of forthcoming GMP Steering Group Meetings, all held at St Augustine's Church Hall on Monday evenings at 7pm: 5th October (NOTE 7.30pm start), 2nd November, 7th December. Please come along, all are welcome, a very warm welcome is guaranteed. Mark Frettingham.

There will be an additional Mass at St Augustine's on Friday this week at 9.30am for the Holy Guardian Angels. This will be celebrated by Fr Marcus who is celebrating his 15th anniversary of ordination – ad multos annos, vivat!

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INTERNATIONAL DAY

Thank you to everyone who contributed to our International Day on Friday. It is always a lovely reminder of our wonderful diverse community celebrating many nationalities and cultures as well as an opportunity to learn something new. Melva in Year 5 took this opportunity to make a canvas with the message 'We are one world.' She shared she believes there are different countries within our school but together we are one.



The children looked amazing in their national costume or colours of their flag. Everyone enjoyed the shared breakfast.



MASS TIMES & LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Monday 28th September	9:30am(OLSE)	MASS Mrs Fenton's Intentions
Tuesday 29 th September Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels	9:30am (SA)	MASS Service of Word and Holy Communion
Wednesday 30 th September St Jerome, priest and doctor	6pm (SH) 7pm (SH)	MASS Exposition and Confessions Anna De Rosa RIP
Thursday 1 st October St Therese of Lisieux,	9:30am (SA)	MASS Sr Elizabeth Murray PBVM
Friday 2nd October Holy Guardian Angels	9:30am (SH) 11am (SH)	MASS In Thanksgiving Requiem Mass for Dennis Fogarty RIP
Saturday 3 rd October Mass of Sunday	5pm (SH)	VIGIL MASS Mick Phelan RIP
Sunday 4 th October Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)	9am (OLSE) 11am (SA) 11am (SH) 5pm (OLSE)	MASS Katherina Hoang and Thomas Vu RIP For the People Italian Mass Vietnamese Mass

CELEBRATION ASSEMBLY

FRIDAY 2ND OCTOBER AT 2:30PM

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CHILDREN WHO
HAVE BEEN CHOSEN BY THEIR TEACHER TO BE
IN ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK**

NURSERY: Chisimdi and Myla

RECEPTION: Ellta and Ian

YEAR ONE: Janelle and Rone

YEAR TWO: Feliks and Leo

YEAR THREE: Janelle and Omolola

YEAR FOUR: Alicija and Jeremy

YEAR FIVE: Ebube and Medet

YEAR SIX: Dorain and Lou

**PARENTS OF THESE CHILDREN ARE
WELCOME TO ATTEND**