

Friday 10 October 2025

Dear parents and carers,



Assemblies

Over the next two weeks the children will be exploring the following themes:

Depend On God - Sunday's Gospel reading tells us that it doesn't matter how big or how small our faith is; in fact, even with faith the size of a tiny mustard seed, God can do amazing things. This is because the results don't depend on us - they depend on God.

Respond With Faith - Faith requires us to be expectant both that God will hear us and that He will respond. Through a dramatisation of the healing of the ten lepers, this assembly explores how having gratitude for God's gifts to us help us to recognise that He is our Saviour.

Please take the opportunity to discuss with your child at home.

Safeguarding - Please can you support school by ensuring that if your child is ill and absent from school that you phone the school office by 9.15am. To ensure that we are compliant with Safeguarding Policies if we are not notified and we are unable to contact you with the contact numbers you have provided to school then staff may need to undertake a home visit. Please support us by informing us of absence. Following up absences and carrying out unnecessary home visits are taking staff away from other tasks unnecessarily.
I thank you all in advance for your support in this matter.

School News - On 1 November St John Fisher RC Primary School converts to an Academy. We will be joining St Teresa of Calcutta Trust. Parents will see very little change – we will maintain our own uniqueness. The school will be getting a new updated website and our email address will change. The email address will be: office@stjohnfisher.stoccat.org.uk and the website address will be www.stjohnfisher.stoccat.org.uk

We will continue to keep you all updated of any changes that may happen once they are known.

Thank you for your generous donations of cakes and to those parents who came along to the coffee afternoon for Spring Hill Hospice. We raised £220 for Spring Hill. All cakes that were not consumed were donated to the Lighthouse Project in Middleton.

Thank you for all those who kindly donated to CAFOD last Friday. We raised £153.

The football team have had a very busy few weeks. Last week the Football Team played their league match against Elmwood. They lost 1-0. Sportsperson of the Match was Daniel. This week they played their league game against Boarshaw. St John Fisher won 8-1. Sportsperson of the Match was Amme. Well done children for playing well as a team and displaying good sportsmanship. Thank you to Mr Buckley for supporting the team.

Well done to our Year 5 children who completed the cross country race at St Thomas More last week.

They represented our school in a beautiful manner and we are very proud. Well done, we are very proud of you!

Dates for Diary

14/10/25 - Year 6 – Artist – Belinda John (In school)

14/10/25 - Reception – Smithills Farm

16/10/25 - Year 1/Reception – Artist – Belinda John (In school)

17/10/25 - Foodbank Friday – Donations for Foodbank (In school)

17/10/25 - Y6 – PANTS Workshop (Jayne Scholes – Caritas) (AM) (In school)

17/10/25 - Y2 – PANTS Workshop (Jayne Scholes – Caritas) (PM) (In school)

20/10/25-24/10/25 - Book Fair (In school)

20/10/25 - Photos – Individual and family (In school)

21/10/25 - Reception – Stay and Play Session (with parents) 9-10am - Reception Parents welcome

22/10/25 - Whole School Mass – Mary Mass (11am)-Y5 to lead - Y5 Parents welcome

23/10/25 - Y3 Schoenstatt Retreat

23/10/25 - Parents Evening 3:30-6:30pm - Parents welcome

24/10/25 - St Ambrose Barlow – Feast Day: 25 October Own Clothes & Treat

24/10/25 – Finish for half term

3/11/25 – School re-opens for Autumn 2

4/11/25 - Year 5 – Artist – Belinda John (In school)

5/11/25 - Year 5 – Artist – Belinda John (In school)

5/11/25 - Phonic Screen Meeting for Y1 Parents@5pm

KS1 SATS Meeting for Y2 Parents@5.30pm - Parents welcome

6/11/24 - Whole School Mass – Remembrance @11am – Y4 Lead Y4 Parents welcome

6/11/25 - Y4 Multiplication Check Meeting for Parents@5pm

KS2 SATS Meeting for Y6 Parents@5.30pm - Parents welcome

6/11/25 - EVFS/KS1 Disco (6-7:30pm)

7/11/25 - Oldham NICU – Items for hampers for NICU (small hand creams, lip balms, chocolate etc.)

7/11/25 - Outdoor Classroom Day – Outdoor Learning (All classes) (In school)

Letters sent home

Parents Evening

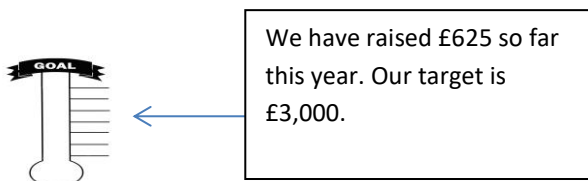
Punctuality/Attendance

School doors open at 8.45am for the start of the school day.

Well done to our wonderful Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 children who took part in the cross country race at Little Heaton Primary School on Tuesday. They showed great sportsmanship and represented our school in a beautiful manner. Thank you to those children who came to cheer on their peers - this was lovely to see! Thank you Miss Barrow for supporting the team.

PTA/School Fund - Thank you for supporting our recent Sponsored Event – we raised a total of £625 for School Fund. As always, we are incredibly grateful for your ongoing support of school and the generous monetary contributions you make to school. We understand that it is a difficult financial time; however, this is why it is more important than ever to raise funds for our wonderful school.

The PTFA have set themselves a target of £3,000 to raise to buy resources for the children to play with at playtime and lunchtime. Please support PTFA events.



The events for this year are:

Date	Event
6/11/25	EYFS/KS1 Disco (6-7:30pm)
13/11/25	KS2 Disco (6-7:30pm)
14/11/25	Own clothes in exchange for bottles (EYFS/KS1 Non Alcoholic KS2 Alcohol or chocolate)
21/11/25	Own clothes in exchange for a donation of a selection box Chocolate Bingo (Selection Box) (6PM)
15/12/25	PTA Christmas Raffle
12/2/26	EYFS/KS1 Disco (6-7:30pm)
26/2/26	KS2 Disco (6-7:30pm)
13/3/26	Own clothes in exchange for a donation of an Easter egg Chocolate Bingo (6pm)
30/3/26	PTA Easter Raffle (In school)
16/7/26	Y6 Leavers Disco (6:00-7:30pm)

Please remember that if you have any worries or concerns we are here to help. Please feel free to speak to a member of staff if you have a worry or a really good idea. Your child's class teacher is available at the start and end of the school day. We are an open school and the children benefit from the special partnership we have with parents and carers.

Please keep informed of future events within school via our school website www.st-johnfisher.rochdale.sch.uk as this has the most up to date information. We will continue to share our in- school activities via Twitter @st-johnfisher.co.uk and Facebook page.

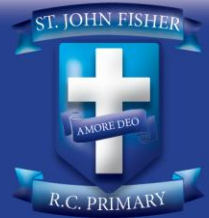
Best wishes

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Our Mission Statement

Love Jesus, love learning,

Inspiring each other to be the best that we can be.