

Friday 12 September 2025

Dear parents and carers,



Assemblies

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

Foundation of Love - In this assembly, children will learn that God's dream is for us to know Him, to love Him and to serve Him by sharing His love with others. This is what we are made for; without God we are missing a foundational element of what it means to live life to the full.

Symbol of Love - Children will explore the meaning of the Cross as a symbol of love and hope. The Cross reminds us of the love the Father has for each of us as we remember that He sent His only Son so that we can know His mercy and love.

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.

Welcome back to a new academic year. It is wonderful to have our school family back together. We welcome our new children to Reception and their parents to our school community.

We will be holding an information event about the Relationship and Sex Education programme we use in school for all parents on Thursday 2 October at 5pm. A copy of the powerpoint used in the meeting will be put on each class page on the school website for those parents who are unable to attend. This is the same scheme that we used last year.

A reminder - Birthday celebrations – In order to ensure that we celebrate your child's birthday in school, your child will be able to wear their own clothes on their birthday in school. If your child's birthday falls on a day at the weekend then they can wear their own clothes the following Monday. If your child's birthday falls during a holiday period then they may wear their own clothes on the last day in school before the holiday.

We have planned events for the full academic year – dates for diary are also being emailed out to you today.

Year 3 have started the year as they mean to go on – keeping busy! On Wednesday, children in Year 3 enjoyed a wonderful day on the beach at St Anne's. Children learned about the physical and human features of the coast and took part in lots of fun activities linked to their Geography topic. Children also took part in a beach clean to link with Laudato Si and the Christian responsibility to 'Care for the Common Home'.

Dates for Diary

15/9/24-19/9/25 - E Safety Week
15/9/25 - Reception – School Nurse – Oral Health Workshop (9.30-10.30am)
(In school)
19/9/25 - Y2 – School Nurse – Healthy Eating (9.30-10.30am)
(In school)
19/9/25 - Whole School Sponsored Event (Children only)
23/9/25 - Super Learning Morning – Geography (In school)
24/9/25 - Year 6 – Crucial Crew (PM)
25/9/25 - Y4 Railway Trip
25/9/25 - RWI Meeting for Reception Parents (5pm)
Reception Parents welcome
26/9/25 - Own clothes in exchange for cakes (for coffee afternoon)
26/9/25 - Spring Hill Hospice Assembly (AM)
26/9/25 - Coffee afternoon (2.30pm)
Spring Hill Hospice Parents welcome
26/9/25 - Y3 – PANTS Workshop (Jayne Scholes – Caritas) (PM)
(In school)
29/9/25 - Y2 Canal Trip
29/9/25 - Y1 Library Trip (AM)
1/10/25 - Stay and Pray – The Rosary (All classes)
8:45-9:15am - Parents welcome
2/10/25 - National Poetry Day Assembly for Parents KS2 - 9.15am
Assembly for Parents EYFS/KS1 - 2.30pm
Parents welcome
2/10/25 - RSE Meeting for parents (5pm)
Parents welcome
3/10/25 - Whole School CAFOD Charity Day (In school)
3/10/25 - Parent Forum (2.45pm) - Parents welcome

Letters sent home

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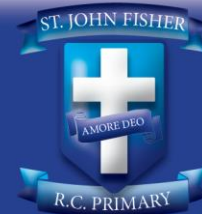
Punctuality/Attendance

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

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PTA - 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.

As such, we hope to provide a varied calendar of fundraising events this academic year. However, this cannot be done without your help. We hope that many of you will be able to join us in running and helping to deliver these events. If you are interested in hearing about/volunteering for any of these fundraising efforts, without obligation, please register your interest by emailing the school office office@st-johnfisher.co.uk

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.

Upcoming PTA events:

Event	Date
Sponsored Event	20/9/24

Breakfast Club runs from 7.50am to 8:45am each school day. The cost each day is £2.50 payable at the beginning of each session. If your child would like to eat breakfast then they must be at breakfast club by 8.15am. If you would like to access the breakfast club please book this via Abor.

The holiday pattern for 2025-2026 is attached for your reference. All holiday patterns are also published on the school website. Dates for your diary are also attached to this newsletter.

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](https://twitter.com/st-johnfisher.co.uk) and Facebook page.

Best wishes

Mrs N Hadfield

Our Mission Statement

Love Jesus, love learning,

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