

Friday 26 September 2025

Dear parents and carers,



Assemblies

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

Focus on God - It can be hard to focus on God when our hearts are distracted! In this week's Gospel, Jesus recalls the two most important commandments - love God and love your neighbour. Children will learn that removing earthly distractions can help us focus on putting God first in our lives, which in turn helps us to love our neighbours well.

Rich Man, Poor Man - This assembly helps children understand the secret of true wealth: their faith in God and the gifts He gives us. Through the parable of the rich man and the poor man, children will explore how God wants them to live life to the full now and for eternity!

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.

Thank you to all parents for your generous donations of cakes for the coffee afternoon held today in aid of Spring Hill Hospice.

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.

PTA/School Fund - Thank you for supporting our Sponsored Event last week that raised £611 for School Fund. Money is still being sent into school so we will keep you update with the final amount. 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.



We have raised £611 so far this year. Our target is £3,000.

Dates for Diary

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
6/10/25 - Nasal Flu Vaccinations – Whole School (AM) (In school)
6/10/25 - Y6 HMRC Workshop (1.30pm)
8/10/25 - Share and Shine Assembly – Year 6 @9.15am
Y6 Parents welcome
10/10/25 - Charity Day –Year 1 (In school)
10/10/25 - Foodbank Friday – Donations for Foodbank
10/10/25 - Y4 – PANTS Workshop (Jayne Scholes – Caritas) (AM) (In school)
10/10/25 - Y5 – PANTS Workshop (Jayne Scholes – Caritas) (PM) (In school)
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)

Letters sent home

N/A

Punctuality/Attendance

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

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

Mrs N Hadfield

Our Mission Statement

Love Jesus, love learning,

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