



# NEWSLETTER

## THIS WEEK IN SCHOOL



### Welcome Back to St Wilfrid's!

We've had a joyful and faith-filled start to the new academic year. Everyone has settled well - pupils and staff!

This week, we began with a **special Celebration of the Word** honouring **Mary**, our MAC saint, as part of our MAC Feast Day. The children took part in a range of beautiful activities centred around **Mary** as their mission to celebrate **Mary**:

- Enjoyed drinks and cake at our celebration parties
- Wore blue at home to honour **Mary**
- Tied blue ribbons on our cross in the Faith Space as a sign of devotion and to spread the message of our wonderful **Mary**
- Drew **Mary** and wrote prayers about her
- Interviewed each other about their love for **Mary**

As part of our commitment to wellbeing, this week, we worked with our partners at **Compass** to deliver workshops focused on **friendship, kindness, and starting the year positively.**

**This year's BIG push is attendance** — let's all be **In School, On Time, Ready to Shine!**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October - Flu Jab for Reception - Yr 6

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October - Parents' Evening to be booked via MCAS App

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November - School Photographs (Siblings who don't all attend St Wilfrid's from 8am)



# ATTENDANCE



Studies show that pupils who attend school regularly achieve more successfully both academically and socially...and this is no surprise!

Please make sure that your children are  
**IN SCHOOL, ON TIME, READY TO SHINE**  
each day.

If they are feeling a bit under the weather send them in and see how they get on

Each week, we will celebrate the classes who have gained successes in attendance and punctuality with a chance to SPIN TO WIN on our prize wheel

This week our spinners were.

Reception

All of Yr 2

Yr 3H

All of Yr 4

Yr 5W

All of Yr 6





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## CATHOLIC LIFE AND MISSION

### The God Who Speaks

This week we shared the Gospel of Luke where Jesus spoke of what it takes to be a disciple. We learned about Carlo Acutis - a 15 year old who recently became a saint

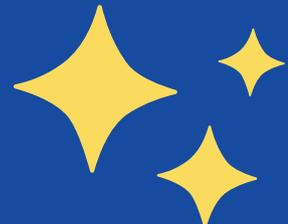
### Mini Mission

Follow the example of Carlo Acutis and show your love for Jesus through your kindness to others



## BUILDING THE KINGDOM

We would like to thank you for helping to build the kingdom this week with your Mary activities at school and at home and helping to spread the word throughout the community.



## CHURCH JUBILEE - PILGRIMS OF HOPE

At the beginning of the school year, we are filled with HOPE for what is to come : what we will learn, friends we will make and how we are able to live out our mission with others



## VALUES AND VIRTUES

This half term we are remembering to be eloquent and truthful

## CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHINGS

We are Stewards of Creation  
We are Family and Community



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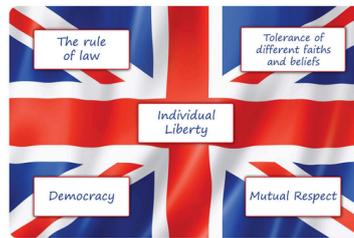
## Celebrating Democracy in Action!

As part of our commitment to promoting British Values, children across the school have taken part in a democratic vote to elect their new class School Councillors. Each class carefully considered the candidates before casting their votes – a wonderful example of democracy in action!



We're delighted to announce that the new School Councillors have now been elected and will represent their classmates throughout the year. Their first meeting will take place in the coming weeks, where they'll have the opportunity to share ideas and help shape school life.

## BRITISH VALUES

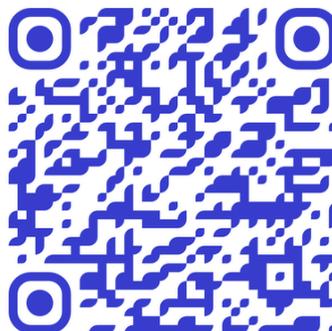


**Well done to all the children who put themselves forward and congratulations to our new representatives!**



Each week, our children and staff will be sharing a little bit of news from somewhere in the world  
If you want to find out more about the story, log onto BBC Newsround [www.bbc.co.uk/newsround](http://www.bbc.co.uk/newsround) or scan the QR code!

SCAN



As we start a new school year, here's some fun news about a secondary school in Folkestone!



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## AWARD WINNERS!

Merit of the Week			
Nursery	M'Larnie	YR4B	Iosif
REC	Mira	YR4M	Laila-May
YR1	Sarah-Kate	YR5W	Kaiden
YR2	Codie	YR5B	Hannah-Rose
YR3G	Anastasia	YR6M	Samara
YR3H	Bella	YR6RM	Ava

Reader of the Week			
		YR4B	Zoya
REC	Yusuf	YR4M	Teheira
YR1	Jrae	YR5W	Ken
YR2	Eliana	YR5B	Faith
YR3G	Liarna	YR6M	Gracie
YR3H	Christaline	YR6RM	Hurrairah

### Wise Owl

Jordan 4B

### Sports Award

Louie, Klay & Riley 6M

### Music Award

Anabia 4M

### Values & Virtues

Chisara - YR 2 & Eesa Yr5

### Lunchtime Awards

Adayah - YR 3H

Bentley - 5B

Class - Reception

**Well Done to Everyone!**



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## AND FINALLY

Thank you for a wonderful first full week back.

This weekend, in church, we celebrate Education Sunday.

We thank the Lord for inspiring our staff to carry out their work in the way that they do.

We are forever grateful for their dedication and hope for our children.

And for our pupils may they continue to thrive

Have a super weekend and we will see you next week

Best wishes,

Mrs Milligan, Mrs Husted and all the team

I will instruct you and teach you in  
the way you should go; I will  
counsel you with my eye upon you.  
**Psalm 32:8**

# TERM DATES

## 25/26

AUTUMN TERM	SPRING TERM	SUMMER TERM
Monday 1st September 2025 to Friday 19th December 2025	Monday 5th January 2026 to Friday 27th March 2026	Monday 13th April 2026 to Monday 20th July 2026
<b>Autumn half-term break</b>	<b>Spring half-term break</b>	<b>Summer half-term break</b>
Monday 27th October 2025 to Friday 31st October 2025	Monday 16th February 2026 to Friday 20th February 2026	Monday 25th May 2026 to Friday 29th May 2026
<b>Christmas Holiday</b>	<b>Easter Holiday</b>	
Monday 22nd December 2025 to Friday 2nd January 2026	Monday 30th March 2026 to Friday 10th April 2026	

### Teacher Training Days for 2025–2026 School Closed to all Pupils

Monday 1st September 2025

Tuesday 2nd September 2025

Friday 24th October 2025

Monday 23rd February 2026

**Wednesday 1st July 2026**

Monday 20th July 2026



John Henry Newman Catholic College  
**2025 Open Evening**

THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER

**4pm to 7pm**

office@jhncc.org | 0121 770 5331

**Heart Speaks to Heart**

Mass for children and young people  
with special needs and disabilities

**Saturday 4th October**

11am

St Thomas More Church,  
130 Horse Shoes Lane,  
Sheldon,  
Birmingham  
B26 3HU



All are welcome to our special  
mass - from all parishes

All volunteers are  
DBS checked

Wheelchair  
accessible



Please join us after mass in the  
parish centre for refreshments

# Platform Communities Connected



## COMMUNITY EVENT

**Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October  
11.00am until 12.30pm**

**CAFLO COMMUNITY CENTRE  
CAMERONIAN CROFT, BIRMINGHAM B36 8UB**

*THE FOLLOWING ORGANISATIONS WILL BE THERE TO OFFER ADVICE AND INFORMATION ROUND WELFARE BENEFIT, MONEY AND ENERGY ADVICE*

**Citizen Advice Bureau  
Age Concern  
Act on Energy  
Platform Housing Successful Tenancy  
Better Housing Better Life**

**THERE WILL BE MARKET STALLS SELLING EVERYDAY DAY ITEMS  
AT A REDUCED COST**

**platform**  
housing group

