

St. John the Baptist Catholic Primary School



We will prepare the way by loving, living and
learning with the Lord

Friday 13th June 2025



Despite encountering difficulties with our hot water system this week, our school community has demonstrated remarkable resilience and continued to achieve wonderful outcomes. Our Year One pupils have done amazingly well in their Phonics Screening Check - they should all be extremely proud of themselves! Their hard work in phonics lessons has really paid off, and it shows just how well they're achieving with their reading.

Year Four have also undertaken their Multiplication Times Table Check. They've shown great enthusiasm and commitment, and their results reflect all the brilliant progress they've been making in maths.

Whilst we are immensely proud of these academic successes, our primary commitment at St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School remains the spiritual development of every child. This weekend holds particular significance as our Year Three pupils prepare to receive their First Holy Communion on Saturday - a important milestone in their faith formation.

I would be most grateful if our entire school community could remember these children in their prayers as they embark upon this sacred step in their spiritual journey.



Reflection

The Most Holy Trinity

This Sunday's gospel is part of Jesus' farewell conversation to the disciples before he dies on the cross.

Jesus says to the disciples that after he has gone, the Holy Spirit will guide them. The Holy Spirit will be their teacher and will speak to them just as Jesus did when he was alive and with them.

The Holy Spirit will show the disciples what they must do and what they must say in Jesus' name.

There is only one God. But God is made up of three persons: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. This is what we call the Trinity. Trinity means three.

This relationship of the Father, Son and Spirit is a relationship where all are together, but each person is also different. The Father created the world and everything in it and sent his only Son Jesus to live among us here on earth. Jesus came to help us to know the Father, to teach us how to live and to forgive our sins. When he returned to heaven, he sent the Holy Spirit to give us courage, to guide us in the right path and to bring us faith, hope, joy, and peace.

We believe that Jesus' promise to the disciples – that the Holy Spirit would be with them and guide them – is still true for all of us today and for all people after us. The Holy Spirit can guide us to do what is right and to use our talents in the best way to help others.

Our Virtues

Faith-Filled
and
Hopeful

loving
hopeful
attentive
faith-filled
generous
eloquent
intentional
truthful
learned
wise
grateful
discerning
compassionate
active
curious

Catholic Social Teaching

Solidarity and the Common Good

In Catholic Social Teaching, both solidarity and the common good are interconnected and essential for building a just and flourishing society. Solidarity is about working together to address inequalities and promote the dignity of all, while the common good emphasises the need for a society where everyone's well-being is prioritised.

Our Pope's Prayer Intention

In June, we are inspired by Pope Francis as we pray for each one of us to find consolation in a personal friendship with Jesus, and that from his Heart, we may learn to have compassion for the world.





Drayton Manor Trip



On Wednesday, Year 6 went on their last class trip together to celebrate a year of hard work! We went to Drayton Manor and had an amazing time going on all of the rides and showed exemplary behaviour throughout the day!

As teachers, we are all extremely proud of how the children represented St John's as themselves.





Black Country Museum Trip



Year Five enjoyed a fantastic trip to The Black Country Living Museum, on Thursday. They had a fantastic time; learned how scary school could be in Victorian times and thoroughly enjoyed the gift shops! Their behaviour was excellent making this an enjoyable day for everyone.





Skills Builder Careers Zoom

This week Years Five and Six took part in a Skills Builder Careers Zoom. Four different volunteers told them about their jobs and they were then given the opportunity to ask them questions. This was a great opportunity to practise their speaking and listening essential skills. It also fitted perfectly with our whole school focus on the consideration of vocations.





Awards

Star of the Week

Our Star of the Week for Early Years and Key Stage One is
Daeshia J



Our Stars of the Week for Key Stage Two is Abbasyn H

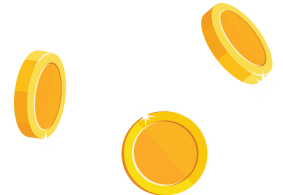


Virtues



Nursery	Callius G
Reception	Theo M
Year 1	Louie M
Year 2	Koby J
Year 3	Shay M- W
Year 4	Ameera I
Year 5	Kinda A
Year 6	-

Star Readers



Niamh W	Conor McS
Bella L	Haris A
Umar A	Tiffany B
Rubielee M	Ellis S
Jacob N	Mia D
Tady L	Oniellia F
Kane S	Lily W
Alfie W	Martins O





Celebrations



Birthdays

Harley W Year 2
Ivan W Year 3



We wish you a very happy birthday from everyone at St.
John's!

Ready to Learn

Our most punctual class, this week, who were in everyday, on time and ready to learn is...

Year

2

Well Done

Attendance

The class with the highest attendance this week is...

Year

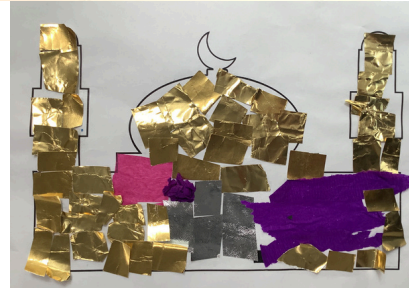
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Learning Week in Early Years



UW/EAD - We learnt about the Muslim festival Eid Al Adha. We created the symbol of Islam.



UW - We learnt about the Muslim place of Worship - The Mosque. We built and collaged our own Mosques.



We have created Eid cards and given them to members of staff who are celebrating Eid.



EAD - We made our own Mendhi hands





Ordering Meals on Blue Runner

A reminder to please continue to pre-order your child's meals on Blue Runner. Thank you to everyone that has already activated their account. If you do still need to activate your account and need help, please pop into/ or call the school office.

FOOD FESTIVAL
By Aspens

LUNCHTIME

WORLD
Week 3

	 THE MAIN EVENT <small>by Mrs. Lee</small>	 MEAT-FREE MAGIC <small>Veggie Dish</small>	 RAINBOW ALLEY <small>Vegetables and salads</small>	 BIG TOPPING <small>Filled Jackets</small>	 DESSERT TROLLEY
MONDAY	BBQ Sweetcorn Pizza Slice with Wedges	Macaroni Cheese	Green Salad	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Strawberry Frozen Yoghurt
TUESDAY	Mild Chilli Con Carne with Rice	Vegetable Bean Chilli with Rice	Sweetcorn	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Marble Cookie
WEDNESDAY	Roast Chicken, Stuffing, Skin on Roasties and Gravy	Cheese and Onion Slice with Skin on Roasties & Gravy	Carrots and Peas	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Sweet Potato Brownie
THURSDAY	Caribbean Chicken and Pineapple Stew with Rice	Sweet Potato Coconut Bean Stew with Rice	Sweetcorn	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Toffee Apple Crumble and Custard
FRIDAY	Golden Fish Fingers and Chips	Vegetable Fingers and Chips	Baked Beans	Beans, Cheese or Tuna Mayo	Brookie (Brownie & Cookie Mix)

Spring Summer
2025
05/05/25, 26/05/25,
16/06/25, 07/07/25,
28/07/25, 18/08/25,
08/09/25, 29/09/25,
20/10/25

**DAILY SANDWICHES
AVAILABLE**

**DAILY SALAD BOWL,
FRESHLY BAKED BREAD,
YOGHURTS AND
CUT FRUIT**

AVAILABLE DAILY

**PASTA
TWIRLER**

**AVAILABLE
EVERY DAY**

Topped Pasta
Hot Pasta
topped with
Homemade
Tomato Sauce &
Cheese

W1



DIVE

INTO THE DEEP BLUE

19th June

Main Meat Dish

Fish Finger Bap & Wedges
with Sweetcorn

Main Vegetarian Dish

Mermaid's Delight

Fishless Finger Bap & Wedges,
with Sweetcorn
(Vegetable Finger in a Bap)

&

Sandy Lemon
Shortbread Biscuit

Jacket Potato, Topped Pasta
&
Sandwiches Available



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How you can help
protect our oceans?

Choose a refillable water
bottle!

Keeping plastic out of the
sea!





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How you can help
protect our oceans?

Every Drop Counts!

Turn off the tap while
brushing your teeth to
save our oceans!





THE GOING VIRAL SPIRAL

Childnet International

No way she posted that
1 hour ago

Attention Seeker!
1 hour ago

How embarrassing
30 minutes ago

Ha ha. Thanks for sharing
6 hours ago

Wonder if she knows how many people have seen it?
7 minutes ago

Who would let that pic be online
1 hour ago

More please!
1 day ago

She's gonna flip when she sees that
1 hour ago

Like it!
2 hours ago

I think I know that girl
6 hours ago

Everyone knows THAT girl!
Just now

SHARE WITH RESPECT

On social media think about...

- ...what you share,
- ...who you share it with,
- ...who might see it in the future,
- ...how it makes you and others feel,
- ...what impression it gives.

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Term Dates

Summer Term 2025

Term Starts: Monday 28 April 2025

Half Term Holiday: Monday 26 May 2025 to Friday 30 May 2025

Term Ends: Friday 18 July 2025

INSET Day - Monday July 21st

Diary Dates

Saturday 14th June - 10.00am - First Holy Communion

Tuesday 17th June Year 4 Trip to Conkers

Wednesday 18th June Year 3 Trip Warwick Castle

Tuesday 24th June - Early Years Sports Day (morning)

Tuesday 24th June - Sports Afternoon

Wednesday 9th July - Year 6 Leavers' Production- 9.15am

Wednesday 16th July - Year 6 Leavers' Assembly - 9.15am



Family Support

Solihull
Family Hubs



A Family Hub is a place where children, young people and families can go for services, advice and to meet other families. Raising a family, being a parent or carer, or navigating life as a young person can be a challenge so staff in the hubs can put you in touch with different services in the area.

There are 4 Family Hubs in Solihull

- Elmwood- Smiths Wood
- Evergreen- Kingshurst
- Riverside- Chelmsley Wood
- Hatchford Brook- Elmdon

Scan here for more information on the Family Hubs website



Family Hubs are open to everyone and there will always be a safe space available for you if you need it. You can get help with many things from:



- parenting support and social activities
- seeing a midwife or a health visitor
- activities for young people
- support for children and young people with additional needs

The Solihull Start for Life Offer is a guide for everyone involved in a child's life from pregnancy to 2 years old. It includes information, advice, services and places to go to keep healthy, happy and safe in the first 1,001 days.

Email us: familyhubs@solihull.gov.uk

Call: 0121 704 6017

Follow us on Facebook: Solihull Family Hubs

Scan here for the Solihull Start for Life



Download the Solihull Family Hubs App, available on Apple Store and Google Play Store



Family Support



SUMMER TERM 2025

 Open to all Solihull parents and carers

BEING A PARENT GROUPS

Led by trained parent volunteers, the groups provide you with the tools to help manage challenging behaviour, improve communication, and build a positive relationship with your child.

The Being a Parent groups start with a welcome session & then run weekly for a further 8 sessions:

TUESDAY	Virtual via Microsoft Teams	6pm – 7.30pm	6/5/25 – 8/7/25
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UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD

Led by Solihull professionals, the group aims to help you to manage challenging behaviour and improve communication, as well as building and understanding your relationship with your child. The group target age is 4-11 years unless specified, delivered face-to-face for 10 sessions:

TUESDAY	Shirley Heath Outreach Hub (B90 3DS)	1pm – 3pm	29/4/25 – 8/7/25
WEDNESDAY	Three Trees Community Centre (B37 7TR)	5pm – 7pm	w/c 28/4/25 – 7/7/25

FIVE TO THRIVE

For parents with children aged up to 2 years, the FIVE TO THRIVE building blocks explore practical things you can do to enhance your child's brain development, increase confidence in parenting and meet local parents.

TUESDAY

The Bridge, Shirley
(B90 3AG)

12.30pm – 2.30pm

7/1/25 – 11/2/25

25/2/25 – 1/4/25

Book your place now, or find out more by contacting Solihull Parenting Team at:
bsmhft.parenting@nhs.net
 or book via the Eventbrite QR code below: