

# St John's Catholic Primary School

## Friday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026

In our Assembly this week, we learnt about Jesus' Baptism and what a beautiful event it was. Jesus is God's Son and we all invited to follow Jesus' example and to make bold statements for God in how we live our lives.



Our Father,  
who art in Heaven,  
hallowed be thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come.  
Thy will be done  
on Earth as it is in Heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread,  
and forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us,  
and lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
Amen



"And when Jesus was baptised, immediately He went up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; a voice from Heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

Matthew 3:16-17



# Peace Sunday



This Sunday is Peace Sunday and we marked the occasion with a special assembly celebrating Pope Leo's Vision to make 2026 a Year of Peace. To continue this important focus, all children have been set RE homework project this week, creating a peace poster to reflect their thoughts and hopes for peace. Please check your child's bookbag for further details.



Dear God,

We pray for peace in our hearts, in our homes, in our communities and in our world. We pray that we can be peacemakers, doing what we can to create a more peaceful world, helping your kingdom. May we learn to resolve conflict peacefully, to respect other people and to be kind to everyone that we meet.

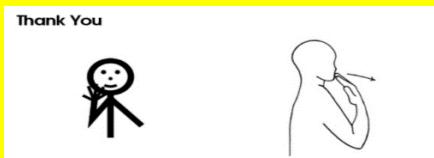
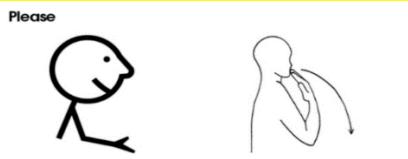
Help us to be hopeful when things are hard and to trust in your love for us.

Amen



The children really enjoyed learning and practising the signs last week, and it was lovely to see so many of them signing "Good Morning" to us at the gate. We're excited to continue building this into our daily routines and supporting communication for everyone.

This week's sign's are:



The Friends of St John's (our PTA group) are looking for more volunteers to help support the school community.

There are lots of ways to get involved, including organising fundraising events, hosting coffee mornings, and helping to set up and oversee Bay Group activities.

Whether you can help regularly or just occasionally, every bit of support makes a big difference. If you're interested in getting involved, please email your phone number to the school office and you'll be added to the Friends of St John's WhatsApp group for updates and opportunities to help.

Thank you for supporting our school



Reminder that long hair must be tied back at all times! Please do not send your child to school with their hair down.

## COLLECTIVE WORSHIP ASSEMBLIES

Please arrive by 2:50pm for a 3pm start as we cannot admit anyone into the hall after this time.

YEAR 6 - Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> January

YEAR 5 - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February

YEAR 4 – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February

YEAR 3- Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February

YEAR 1 – Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> March

YEAR 2 – Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March



### PE KITS



Please can we ask for PE Kits to be brought into school on Monday mornings so they can "live at school" for the whole week. PE kits will be brought home on Friday's for washing.

### NEW TERM DATES

Term dates for the next academic school year- 2026/2027 are now available on our school website site!



On Thursday, Year 4 started their weekly Cricket lessons and what a wonderful morning. Everyone is very excited for next week! Look out for photos in our next newsletter!



## SCHOOL TRIPS



We are pleased to announce that the children have lots of exciting trips planned for the Spring Term. Please check the school Arbor app for more information!

### Punctuality

This is a reminder to please ensure your children arrive at school before gates close at 8.55am. When your child is late it has an impact on their learning and disrupts the whole class. It also takes staff extra time in the mornings having to go back and forth between the office and classrooms. Being on time and prepared is the best start to a day of learning for your child.