



Food, Glorious Food!

Dear St Teresa's Catholic Primary School Community,

I am delighted to share with you the vibrant and exciting moments that have been unfolding within our school walls over recent weeks. Our pupils continue to inspire and impress me with their enthusiasm, creativity, and remarkable learning experiences.

In our Early Years Reception, Mrs Dawson orchestrated a wonderfully engaging activity that brought learning to life through a hands-on bread-making experience. The children were absolutely thrilled, transforming simple ingredients into something deliciously scrumptious. This approach to real-life learning demonstrates how we can turn everyday activities into meaningful educational opportunities, allowing our youngest learners to explore, create, and understand the world around them.

Our Year 1 pupils have also been embracing culinary adventures, recently visiting Pizza Express for an extraordinary pizza-making experience. During this outing, they learned crucial skills in food hygiene and kitchen practises, while also enjoying the joy of baking their very own pizzas. Such experiences go beyond traditional classroom learning, offering practical skills and memorable moments that our pupils will cherish.



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Upcoming Dates:

Mon 23rd Feb: Children return

Tues 24th Feb: Year 3/4 mass

Wed 25th Feb: Year 6 Crucial Crew AM

Wed 25th Feb: KS2 Sitting Volleyball AM

Mon 2nd Mar: Holy communion catechist working with holy communion children.

Tues 3rd Mar: Year 5/2 mass

Sat 7th Mar: Big Sing event (invite only)

Tues 10th Mar: Year 6/1 mass

Thurs 12th Mar: KS1 football game AM

Wed 18th Mar: Archery KS2 AM

Wed 18th Mar: Athletics event PM (invite only)

Fri 20th Mar: Year 2 Collective Worship Assembly (9am) (Parents welcome!)

Wed 25th Mar: Rocksteady Easter Concert (2pm) Rocksteady parents welcome.

Thurs 26th Mar: Dodgeball Event PM

Fri 27th Mar: Easter holidays begin (School finishes as normal at 3.05pm)

CATHOLIC UNION YOUNG ARTIST COMPETITION 2026



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School Uniform: A Reminder

We would like to remind families of our uniform expectations, which are in place for health and safety reasons and to ensure children can fully access the curriculum.

Children are not permitted to wear jewellery in school, with the sole exception of simple stud earrings (worn at the parent's risk). Hoop or loopy earrings are not allowed.

The only other exception is a watch worn on the wrist for children in Key Stage Two. Smart watches or devices that can connect to the internet, record, or take photographs are not permitted. Watches are worn at the parent's risk and we advise against sending children in with expensive wristwear.



We would also like to remind families of our hair expectations:

Hair bands, ribbons, bows or scrunchies should be **plain or in school colours** and must not have ornamentation (e.g. flowers).

Long hair must be tied back with suitable elastics, clips or bands.

Coloured hair is not acceptable, including dyeing, bleaching, highlights or lowlights, coloured extensions, plaits or braids.

Extreme hairstyles (e.g. Mohicans), decorative patterns cut into hair or eyebrows, and excessive styling products are not appropriate for school.

Parents of children who attend school with unacceptable hairstyles will be contacted and given until the following weekend to rectify this.



Ready for school



Not ready for school

Parents sometimes let us know that a child's hairstyle has been **expensive** once we have asked for it to be changed. We completely understand that this can feel frustrating. However, we kindly ask families to **check with the school before spending money on a new hairstyle if there is any uncertainty about whether it meets our policy**. We are very happy to confirm in advance whether a style is compliant, or explain why it would not be, to help avoid disappointment and unnecessary cost.

Valentines's Hot Chocolate Sale

I'm particularly proud to highlight our recent Valentine's Hot Chocolate sale, which was a tremendous success, raising over £150. Not only did this event bring joy to our pupils, but it also raised funds that will directly contribute to continual improvements in our learning environment.

Punctuality Improves!

We have noticed a marked improvement in punctuality across the school. Thank you to all those parents who have made renewed efforts to get their children to school on time. It is having a real impact!

Oscar's Secondary School Success

We recently received some wonderful news about Oscar, a past pupil who has now transitioned to secondary school. Oscar has been awarded a Headteacher's Commendation at his new school, which fills us with immense pride. His continued success is a testament to the strong foundation of learning behaviours and core values we nurture here at St Teresa's. It is incredibly rewarding to see our pupils carry forward the lessons and principles they've learned during their time with us.

St Teresa's Sporting Superstars

Our Year 1 and 2 football team have embarked on an exciting journey of inter-school competitions. While their first match didn't result in a win, they demonstrated exceptional sportsmanship and showed tremendous potential as a team. We are excited to follow their progress and support their development throughout the season.



I am thrilled to announce a remarkable achievement by our netball team, who have been crowned league champions! After competing against numerous schools, they have emerged victorious, showcasing their skill, teamwork, and determination. This success is a moment of immense pride for our entire school community.

These experiences highlight the diverse and enriching educational journey we provide at St Teresa's Catholic Primary School. We continue to focus on creating opportunities that challenge, inspire, and support our pupils' holistic development.

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