

## Newsletter 16

9<sup>th</sup> January 2026

Welcome back and Happy New Year! This week we launched our new topics across the school, so please ask your child what their new topic is and what they have learnt so far.

### Word of God

Matthew 3: 13-17

At that time: Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptised by him. John would have prevented him, saying, 'I need to be baptised by you, and do you come to me?' But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfil all righteousness.' Then he consented. 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; and behold, a voice from heaven said, 'This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.'

**Talk to child about their Baptism. Explain why you chose to baptise them, who was there, who their godparents are and why you chose them.**

**If your child has not been baptised, then talk to them about a baptism or similar event that you have been to.**

## Happy Birthday!

This week we have the following pupil celebrating their birthday: Dezalman.

## Year of Reading

2026 is the Year of Reading and we have got lots of exciting activities planned across the year. Please keep checking the newsletter for further information each week.

## House Points

1<sup>st</sup> – St Mary's 2<sup>nd</sup> – St Ursula's 3<sup>rd</sup> - St Joseph's  
4<sup>th</sup> – St Angela's

## Attendance

EYFS & KS1 – Amber 93%  
KS2 – Amethyst & Sapphire 100%

## Punctuality

EYFS & KS1 – Amber 99%  
KS2 – Cobalt & Lavender 100%



## School Uniform

Please can you make sure that you are sending your child in the correct school uniform. The list is on the school website. Please remember that we do have our Preloved Uniform and access to some funds for families that are struggling. Please can you also make sure the PE kits are in by Monday, as PE lessons will start next week.

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12<sup>th</sup> January – Parent Workshop – Online Safety Part 1 – 9am.

12<sup>th</sup> January – Tour for prospective parents 10am.

13<sup>th</sup> January – Drama Workshop for Nursery to Year 2 (no charge).

14<sup>th</sup> January – Year 6 trip to Antarctica.

15<sup>th</sup> January – Panathlon Bowling (invite only).

16<sup>th</sup> January – Magenta attending Mass at Holy Family 9am.

16<sup>th</sup> January – Sapphire Class Assembly 9.10am.

19<sup>th</sup> January – Parent Workshop – Online Safety Part 2 – 9am.

21<sup>st</sup> January – Year 6 Mass 1.15pm Holy Family Church

## Welcome

This week we have welcomed our new SENDCO – Miss Burrows – to the team. She will be supporting pupils across the school and will also be doing some teaching. Over the next half term she will organise meetings with parents so that she can introduce herself properly, and get to learn how she can support you and your children effectively.

## Clubs

Information has been sent out about Chess Club and also the Sports Clubs that are available after school. Please follow the links in the emails sent out if you are interested in signing your child up for any of them.

## Parent Workshops

We will be starting our first series of parent workshops this year focusing on online safety. This is something that is so important, as many children spend a large percentage of their free time using devices. The series is being run over 5 weeks and you can attend all the sessions or just pick the ones that are relevant to you.

The first session on Monday is ‘Talking to your child’. Doors open at 8.40am for you to get a warm drink and the session will start at 9am.

**Each one of us has been created by God for a special purpose and is therefore uniquely special.**

**Together, we pray, grow and learn in the footsteps of Jesus.**

## Star of the Week

Scarlet – Saahene  
Ruby – Jeremiah  
Sunflower – Izaiah  
Amber – Katie  
Sage – Kylan  
Emerald – Darren  
Cobalt – Jessica  
Sapphire – Micah  
Lavender – Cheryl  
Amethyst – Jessica  
Magenta – Whole Class  
Fuchsia – Agnes

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Hinton - Headteacher