Newsletter

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Parish Dates

Please add these upcoming dates to your diary. I look forward to seeing our families at these events and celebrations:

7th November at 6:30pm: Quiz Night in the parish centre

22nd November: Christ the King International Mass at 11am followed by food and refreshments in the parish centre

29th November: Children's Choir Mass at 11am followed by games in the parish centre

5th December at 6:30pm: Christmas Quiz Night in the parish centre

12th December: Parish Christmas Fair

All Souls Day

We had a beautiful prayer session this week to celebrate All Souls Day and remember all of our loved ones who we have lost. The children reverently placed the photos they brought in around their altar.

These were then taken back to their classrooms where they will stay for the month of November. We will continue to pray for them over the next few weeks.

The children have been praying the following prayer in class:

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May their souls and the souls of all the faithful
departed, through the mercy of God,
rest in peace.
Amen

Please take some time to pray this at home with your child during the month of November.



Mass Times at Our Lady's Parish Church

Saturday at 5pm and Sunday at 9am and then 11am, which includes the children's liturgy.

Everyone is welcome to the Parish Quiz night tomorrow in the parish centre.
I hope to see you there!

Prayer

This week, the teachers took part in a training session to revise the various types of prayer we use within our Catholic faith.

In line with this, we have updated our Prayer and Liturgy Policy and our prayer progression documents for each year group.

These can be found on our website:
https://www.stsaviourscatholicprimary.co.uk/prayer

Please take some time to look through these and use them to pray with your child at home.



We will be looking for children to sing in the Christmas Choir to open our Parish Christmas Fair. This will take place on Saturday 12th December at 11am.

Please put this day and time in your diary now so you are able to attend.

More information will be sent out in the coming weeks.

All parents are invited to join us for Mass in our parish church next Tuesday, 10th November at 9:30am.



Holidays During Term Time

Schools are governed by the DfE regulations in regards to holidays in term time. We are monitored by the Local Authority, as are all schools and there are strict guidelines as to the reasons families can take holidays in term time.

The regulations state:

An application for leave of absence should not be granted unless it is made in advance by a parent the pupil normally lives with and the school is satisfied that there are exceptional circumstances based on individual facts and circumstance of the case which justify the leave. Where a leave of absence is granted, the school will determine the number of days a pupil can be absent from school. A leave of absence is granted entirely at the headteacher's discretion.

The exceptional circumstances may include wedding, bereavements or funerals or to visit terminally ill family members. I ask parents to understand that there are guidelines that I must follow when authorising leave. It is important that family holidays are not taken in term time. I understand the extra expense of travelling in school holiday time, however, I am not able to authorise holidays for this reason. If you choose to take a holiday in term time, you must be prepared to receive a fixed penalty notice. (FPN)

Penalty Notices (PN) | Cheshire West and Chester Council

If you need to take leave in term time, you must arrange a meeting with Mrs Baird before this holiday is booked.

St Saviour's Christmas Dinner - Thursday 10th December 2026

Christmas Dinner is now available to register for on Arbor under 'Clubs'. The deadline to book your child on for Christmas Dinner is 25th November @11am. If you have not booked by then, you will have to provide a packed lunch for your child on this day.

The only lunch option available on this day will be the Christmas Dinner, there will be no sandwiches or jacket potato.

Please book via the club and not via meals for this day. If you book via meals then we cannot see it until the day of the meal, Mrs Mitchell needs to know numbers so she knows how much to order.

School Improvement Partner

Yesterday, we have our new School Improvement Partner in school. He has been appointed to St Saviour's from the OLHOC Trust.

He went into all classes to see the children in their lessons and was very impressed with their behaviour and attitudes, and the quality of their lessons.

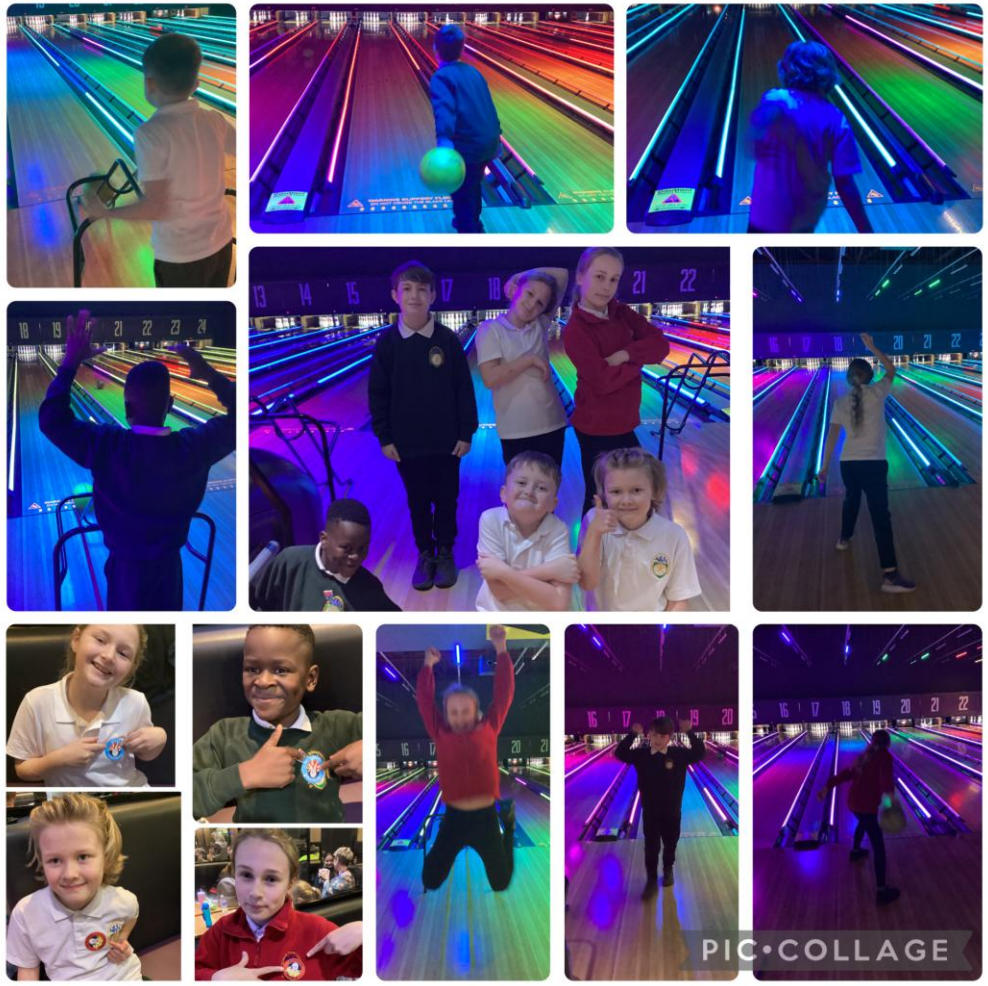
One subject we are working to improve this year is SPAG – which is spelling, punctuation and grammar.

Our SIP will be working alongside us as we work to improve the delivery of these concepts in order to ensure the children are applying this knowledge to their writing across all subjects.

TenPin Bowling Superstars!

This week, some children from years 4,5 & 6 were selected to go bowling at Cheshire Oaks. They had an amazing time and even though some had only bowled once or twice beforehand, they were skilled professionals. We had a few spares and a couple of strikes and we came second out of the sixteen schools there. We were so excited to receive certificates and silver medals.

WELL DONE!



NSPCC 'Talk Pants' Week

This week, each year group was involved in lessons and discussions on how to keep our bodies safe. The children undertook a variety of age appropriate activities in class to help ensure they understand this important message. Please take some time at home this weekend to talk to your child about what they learned in class.





For NSPCC pants week, FSI listened to the Pantosaurus story and the Talk PANTS rules to help them understand that their body belongs to them. We discussed who their trusted adults are, what a secret is and how children can go to trusted adults with anything that makes them feel upset or worried.

Year 3 wrote postcards to Pantosaurus to give top tips and advice.



Sports After School Clubs

Please remember to send your child into school with their PE kit if they have a sports after-school club.
This week, there were too many children attending these clubs in their uniform.
They are able to participate more effectively when they are wearing their PE kit.

Trainers

Trainers are not part of the school uniform, unless it is a PE lesson.
This week, trainers are starting to creep into school.
Please check your child's footwear and ensure they are wearing school shoes on uniform days.
You can find our Uniform Policy on the parent section of our website.
Thank you.

Packed Lunches

This week, there have been some very unhealthy lunches in school. Please ensure your child does not have junk food in their packed lunch.
Treats should not be for daily consumption; they are exactly that – treats that we occasionally give to children.

On Friday, KS2 loved joining the British Library and Thiago de Moraes for a virtual call on Comics & Creatures. Throughout this workshop, all children had the opportunity to create a mythical creature and world to use in their own comics. We discussed how important comics can be in the writing and reading world, and how they can be exciting to create too. It was amazing to see everyone so engaged and we can't wait to see how this inspires the children to go away and create their own comics at home!

Maybe you could visit the library this weekend to borrow a comic to read? Enjoy a weekend of reading, writing, and using your imagination!











In Geography this week, Year 2 used their knowledge of the compass directions to locate and direct themselves to key locations across the school.

Both Y1 and Y6 will have a Forest School session next Tuesday afternoon.
Please ensure your children come into school ready for this.
Y1 children need to wear their PE kit into school.
Y6 should bring their PE kit in to get changed into.

Bikes and Scooters

Please remember that bikes and scooters are not to be ridden on the school site.
Parents are asked to ensure their child is walking their bike and/or scooter off the playground.
Electric vehicles or bikes/scooters with any type of engine are not accepted uses of transport for the children to use coming to and from school.
Please do not allow your child to bring one of these vehicles to school.
The safety of all our children is our major concern.
Thank you.

Choir Club

There are still spaces in choir club which takes place each Monday after school.
Please book your child's place on the Arbor app as this club has been re-opened.

CHRISTMAS EVENTS

St Saviour's Catholic Primary and Nursery School

FAITH

LEARNING

COMMUNITY

FRIDAY 4TH DECEMBER
Jingle Jog
(Sponsored run/walk)
At school / Seacombe Park

SATURDAY 5TH DECEMBER, 7–9PM
Family Friendly Christmas Quiz
Our Lady's Parish Centre, 2A Enfield Road, CH65 8BY

TUESDAY 8TH DECEMBER
Rapunzel – Pantomime at The Storyhouse Chester
Coach leaves @ 9:45am

THURSDAY 10TH DECEMBER @ 09:30AM
EY Nativity
In the School Hall

THURSDAY 10TH DECEMBER
Christmas Dinner Day
In the School Hall

FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER, 3PM
Christmas Fair
In School

SATURDAY 12TH DECEMBER, 11–3PM
Parish Christmas Fair
Our Lady's Parish Centre, 2A Enfield Road, CH65 8BY

MONDAY 14TH DECEMBER
Pyjama Day and Christmas Movie Afternoon
In the Classrooms

TUESDAY 15TH DECEMBER @ 2PM
Y1,2,3 Play for parents
In the School Hall

TUESDAY 15TH DECEMBER @ 6PM
Y4,5,6 Carols Service
Our Lady's Parish Church, 2A Enfield Road, CH65 8BY

FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER @ 1.30PM
Break up for Christmas



Miss Burke and the school council have been working very hard to obtain donations for our Bingo Night and Christmas Fair.
Can you help?
Do you know anyone who owns a business who can help us?
Please bring any donations you may have into the school office.



Congratulations to Emilie-Beth on the birth of her little brother Caspian!

Headteacher's Award

Congratulations to Joshua in Y4 for winning this week's Headteacher's Award.
Joshua works so hard in his lessons; his attitude towards his learning is excellent. He completes his homework tasks and we are so proud of his efforts. Keep up the great work Joshua!
Congratulations!

Class Assemblies

Please see the date of your child's class assembly below:
Friday 13th November: Y6
Friday 20th November: Y5
Friday 27th November: Y1
Friday 4th December: Y4
Friday 15th January: Y3
Friday 5th February: Y2
Friday 12th February: FS2

All assemblies start at 9am and are in the school hall.

Star of the Week

The following children were awarded Star of the Week in our Praise Assembly today. They received a certificate and 5 saves.

FS2: Dexter	Year 1: Maria
Year 2: Alex	Year 3: Nelly-Rae
Year 4: Payton	Year 5: Georgia
Year 6: Amelia	

Attendance Award

Congratulations to Year 4 for winning this week's attendance award.
Their winning attendance was 98.4%!
They will have the attendance trophy this week and receive some extra playtime.
Well done Year 4!

House Points

1st: St Francis of Assisi: 94
2nd :St Oscar Romero: 73
3rd: St Therese of Lisieux: 68
4th: St Josephine Bakhita: 55

PE Days

This half term, PE days are as follows:

FS2: Tuesday
Year 1: Friday
Year 2: Monday
Year 3: Tuesday and Thursday
Year 4: Tuesday and Thursday
Year 5: Wednesday and Friday
Year 6: Monday and Wednesday

There will be a mixture of outdoor and indoor PE lessons. Lessons will be adapted when necessary for the weather, however please ensure your child's PE kit is suitable for both indoor and outdoor sessions.

Dates to Remember...

Sat 7th Nov:	7pm: Parish Quiz Night
Tues 10th Nov:	9:30am: KS2 Mass at Our Lady's Church; parents' welcome
Tues 10th Nov:	Y1 and Y6 Forest School session
Fri 13th Nov:	9am: Y6 class assembly
Tues 17th Nov:	FS2 Forest School session
Wed 18th Nov:	9am: Parent Forest School session
Fri 20th Nov:	9am: Y5 class assembly
Fri 20th Nov:	Flu Immunisations
Fri 20th Nov:	6pm: Bingo night in the school hall
Mon 23rd Nov:	INSET Day: school closed for children
Thurs 26th Nov:	School photo day

Thought of the Week

"If we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord."
Romans 14:8

With every blessing,
Mrs Robina Baird
and the staff of
St Saviour's