

# Headteacher's Message

Friday 10th

Dear Parents and Carers,



What a lovely warm and sunny week we have enjoyed here in school. Let's hope this great weather is a positive sign of good weather over the summer months.

## First Holy Communions

This weekend marks beginning of the Holy Communion season in our school parish churches – St Michael's and Sacred Heart.



The children supported by their families, catechists, Father FitzGerald and teachers in school have prepared to receive the Holy Sacrament over the past several months. I know they will all be very excited to receive Holy Communion for the first time at their allocated Mass over the month of May and June. Please keep all these children and families in our prayers for this special occasion.

As part of our school tradition there will be a school based Holy Communion celebration for these children and families in church and in school in the next half term. A date for this will be shared very soon.

## Month of May – Mary Mother of Jesus

In the month of May we dedicate our prayers and private intentions to Mary the Mother of God. As a family you may wish to use this traditional prayer:

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee;  
blessed art thou among women and blessed is  
the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.*

*Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us  
sinners, now and at the hour of our death.*

*Amen.*





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### Good Luck Year 6

On Monday our children in year 6 will sit the end of Key Stage Two tests in: English grammar, punctuation and spelling, English reading and Mathematics (arithmetic and reasoning). In total the children will complete 6 papers.

The children have worked conscientiously all year supported superbly by the year 6 team of staff. We know the children will all try their best –that is all we ask. We are all exceptionally proud of all our children in year 6.



### Footballs across School

We have just purchased a good number of new footballs for the junior and infant classes to play with during break and lunchtimes.

Children must no longer bring in their own footballs from home. If children bring a football in it will be kept safely in class and returned at the end of the day – but will not be taken out onto the playground.

All being well this arrangement will prevent any upset of lost footballs and too many footballs out on the playgrounds at once stopping or interfering with other outdoor play activities. Thank you for your support with this

Best Wishes and have a lovely weekend,

Mrs Alyson Rigby

Headteacher





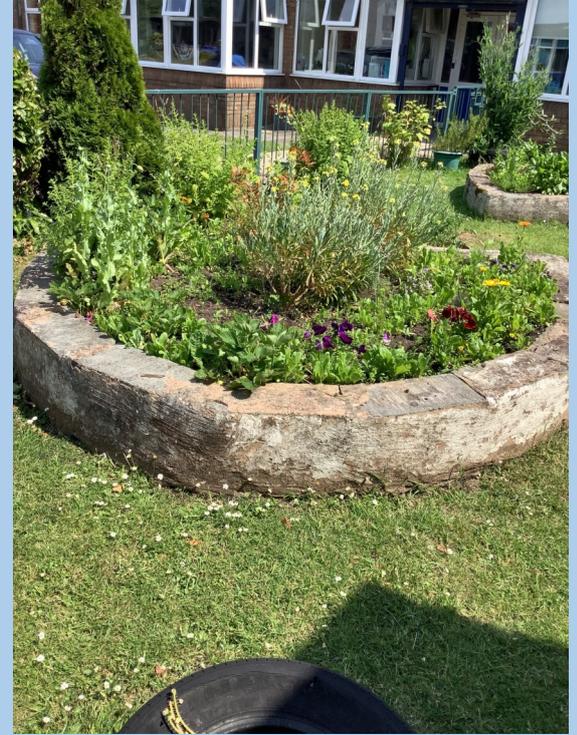
## Focus: Gardening



We are so lucky to be blessed with such a wonderful school field and gardens. We've been really busy this spring and we've been thinking about new growth and how it links into Harvest.

We've got two gardening projects on the go. We have classes who come to plant and tend to our garden by Place to Be. They are growing vegetables that we can use in our school kitchen. We're super excited to try them.

Our Year 5 children have planted the large raised beds on our field. They are growing various vegetables which they will then take to Liverpool One to sell to raise money for charity





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## Celebration

### SCIENTIST OF THE WEEK



### MATHEMATICIAN OF THE WEEK



# Reader of the Week



### PHONICS STAR OF THE WEEK





### After School Clubs

#### Summer 1

Club	Staff Lead	Yr
<b>Monday</b>		
Reading Tutoring	Ms. Ghazali Ms. Briggs Ms. Birks Ms. Sillitoe	Y6
Football Club	Mr. Ferry	Y5
Reading Tutoring	Ms. Whittaker	Y5
Times Tables	Ms. Forbes	Y4
Spanish Club	Ms. Hollywood	Y2
Reading Tutoring	Ms. Sharpes	Y2
Reading Tutoring	Ms. McEntee Ms. Duncan	Y1
<b>Tuesday</b>		
Craft Club	Ms. Cornett	KS2
Choir	Ms. Haynes Ms. O'Kane	KS2
Football	Mr. Ferry	Y6
Reading Tutoring	Ms. Briggs Ms. Ghazali Ms. Sillitoe Ms. Birks	Y6
Netball	Ms. Gannon Ms. Gibney	Y6 + Y4
Times Tables	Ms. Forbes	Y4
Reading Tutoring	Ms. Sharpes	Y2
Reading Tutoring	Ms. McEntee	Y1
Fun Club	Ms. Collins Ms. Potter Ms. Kormi Ms. O'Kane	Rec

<b>Wednesday</b>		
Chess	Mr. Smith	Y6
German Club	Ms. Steiner	Y6
Games	Kate Edsential	Y5 3:30-4:30
Maths Tuition	Ms. Butterworth	Y5
Fun Phonics	Ms. Davison Ms. Watt	Y1
<b>Thursday</b>		
Mini Vinnies	Ms. Roscoe & Ms. Birch	Y5 & 6
DT	Ms. Duncan	Y3
Dance Club	Ms. Sharpes	Y2
Football	LFC	Y2
Reading	Ms. Duncan	Y1
<b>Friday</b>		
Athletics	Coach Sam	Mixed
Reading Tutoring	Ms. Whittaker	Y5

All clubs finish at 4:15 unless specified. Please refer to your permission letter for instructions on where to collect the children. Usual collection points are the infant gate for KS1 clubs, and junior gate for KS2 clubs.

Version 2

Mission Together invites us to pray the Hail Mary prayer, asking Mary to intercede for children around the world everyday.

Today we will pray for children in the continent of **Oceania** that they may have the resilience to keep going.



Class prayer time

Hail Mary, full of grace,  
the Lord is with thee,  
Blessed art thou amongst women  
and blessed is the fruit of thy  
womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, mother of God,  
pray for us sinners now,  
and at the hour of our death.  
Amen.

Read the [Parish of St Michael & Sacred Heart Newsletters'](#) and [The Wednesday Word](#)



## Jaime Cranham Our Family Support Worker

Jamie is available to talk privately about any questions, concerns or issues you may have. Come along for a private chat.

**Drop in sessions every Tuesday at 9:00am**

**Jaime Cranham 07712235803**

**jaime.cranham@liverpool.gov.uk**

or see Mrs Birch

**Ask at Reception for further details**





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## Attendance



WIN A BIKE!!! THE CHILDREN WITH THE BEST ATTENDANCE OVER THE YEAR WILL BE ENTERED INTO A PRIZE DRAW IN JULY!

# EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

Year Group	% Attendance
SHINING STARS - RECEPTION	98.3%
SUPERSTARS - RECEPTION	98.3%
QUICK THINKERS - YEAR 1	96.6%
RECORD BREAKERS - YEAR 1	96.1%
GOLDEN WONDERS - YEAR 2	98.4%
WORLD BEATERS - YEAR 2	95.8%
HEROES - YEAR 3	98.4%
OLYMPIANS - YEAR 3	91.7%
HOTSHOTS - YEAR 4	98.2%
INSPIRATIONS - YEAR 4	96%
HIGH ACHIEVERS - YEAR 5	100%
HIGH FLYERS - YEAR 5	97.5%
WHIZZKIDS - YEAR 6	100%
CHAMPIONS - YEAR 6	99.2%
Totals	97.5%

Well done to the **Golden Wonders, High Achievers and Whizz Kids** for achieving the highest attendance this week. Let's keep on pushing for 100% attendance, 100% of the time!

These classes have won this week's mini disco & crisps for best Class attendance. Well done



Regular attendance at school is the single most important factor in a child/children making appropriate progress and achieving success. Good, regular and punctual attendance means doing well academically, developing better relationships with other children and positive behaviour. It also sets up good habits for when young people enter into work and life.



**Should I keep my child off school?**

**Yes** (if child is unwell)

**No** (if child is well)

Advice and guidance: To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit <https://go.nhs.uk>

We aim for average school attendance to be 97% There are 190 days in a school year which leaves 175 days to spend on family time, shopping, appointments and other things.

It is also important to arrive at school on time. If a child arrives late to school every day, their learning begins to suffer. This graph shows how being late to school every day over a school year adds up to lost learning time.



### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In the interest of your child's safety and well being, a named adult needs to be contactable at all times. Please ensure the school has at least 3 up to date telephone numbers. If school are unable to contact you and have concerns we may call the police and request a welfare check.

Can you please call school at the beginning of the day if your child is going to be absent.



## Parenting, SEN and other support

**FACE**  
FAMILY ADVICE · COMMUNICATION · EDUCATION

May 2024  
**Newsletter**

CPD training for anyone who works with children or teenagers.  
**National Standards CPD accredited sessions**  
All sessions booked & delivered online via [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

Thursday 2 May 19:00 - 21:00 £24		<b>Anxiety Explained</b> Anxiety, especially in our young is rising. This session explains what it is, why it happens and how you can help.
Monday 13 May 19:00 - 21:00 £24		<b>Autism: Improving Communication</b> Small changes can lead to huge improvements with your ability to communicate with someone on the spectrum.
Monday 20 May 19:00 - 21:00 £24		<b>Understanding the Teenage Brain</b> Improve your understanding and communication with your teen. Why they think, feel and behave very differently from adults.
Tuesday 21 May 19:00 - 21:00 £24		<b>Raising Self-Esteem</b> How to support healthy self-esteem in your children and yourself. Easy to apply interventions shared.

[facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk)    [info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk](mailto:info@facefamilyadvice.co.uk)

Are you worried about how they are feeling?  
**DECREASING DEPRESSION**  
**FREE TALK**

May 10th 6:30-7:30  
May 14th 7-8pm

Jane Keyworth, Lead Facilitator at FACE gives a one hour online talk explaining what we can do to reduce the symptoms of depression.  
Book online at [facefamilyadvice.co.uk](http://facefamilyadvice.co.uk) go to **PARENT** page

Come along to our family event which is all about

**How To Keep Your Child Well**

Pop down to one of our 10 roadshow health events, play some games and **grab a goodie bag** and **enter our competition to win family days out or supermarket vouchers.**

**BNENC**

Pop down to one of our 10 roadshow health events...

DATE	TIME	VENUE
Wed 15th May	2am-6pm	Liverpool Football Club Anfield Road, Liverpool, L4 0TH
Fri 24th May	9am-3pm	Fountains Children's Centre Fountains Road, Kirkdale, Liverpool L4 1QH
Thur 30th May	9am-12pm	The Blue Base Salop St, Liverpool L4 4BZ
Fri 7th June	9am-12pm	ASDA Walton Utting Avenue, Liverpool L4 9XU
Fri 7th June	1pm-4pm	WECC - West Everton Community Council Bute St, Liverpool L5 3LA
Sat 15th June	10am-2pm	ASDA Breck Road, Liverpool L6 5DR
Fri 21st June	9am-3pm	Everton Children's Centre Spencer Street, Liverpool L6 2WF
Fri 28th June	9am-12pm	VNC - Vauxhall Neighbourhood Council Silverster St, Liverpool L5 8VD
Wed 3rd July	9am-12pm	NSPCC Hargreaves Centre, 112 Great Homer St, Liverpool L5 3LQ
Fri 5th July	2pm-6pm	Liverpool Lighthouse Community Centre Oakfield Road, Liverpool L4 0UF

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## Parenting, SEN and other support

# OUR MEN'S GROUP

**WHEN**  
Every Monday  
1:00pm—2:00pm

**WHERE**  
Garston Children's Centre  
70 Banks Road,  
Garston  
Liverpool  
L19 8JZ

**GROUP FACILITATOR**  
Ryan Hoey

**WE ALL HAVE A STORY TO TELL.**



**DROP IN SESSION**  
Refreshments Provided  
Call in for a chat  
Form new friendships

**YOU ARE NOT ALONE !**

0151 233 6868

IT'S OKAY TO TALK !



## In Harmony Year 6 Youth Hub Events

**Parent/Carer Information Event**  
The Friary (L3 3BX)  
Friday 24th May 2024  
3:45pm - 5:00pm

**Taster Events:**

Everton Youth Hub  
North Liverpool Academy  
Tuesday 11th June 2024  
3:30pm - 5:30pm

Anfield Youth Hub  
Liverpool Lighthouse  
Thursday 13th June 2024  
3:30pm - 5:30pm



Scan the QR code to sign up!

### Social Communication and Social Behaviour Workshops

Date: 28th, 30th, 31st May

Time: 9.30am till 12 noon

Venue: Virtual - Half Term Holiday

**ASD VIRTUAL Drop ins**

Date: May 2024 dates and times



#### What is a Kinship Carer?

A kinship carer is a person looking after someone else's child because their parents are unable to care for them. You might be a grandparent, auntie, uncle, sibling, or friend. You might be caring for very young children or teenagers. You might be new to kinship caring or you may have been doing it for many years.

#### How can Kinship Carers Support You?

Kinship caring is both rewarding and challenging. Some families face difficulties at different stages of the kinship family journey. You are caring for others but who is caring for you? We are here to give you advice, information and support. We provide an Activities Programme for kin kids and carers – and can introduce you to other kin families locally

#### **Every kinship family situation is different**

**Kinship children that are not in school or childcare are welcome to attend these sessions**

#### **Meeting's at Garston Children's Centre**

- 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024
- 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024
- 8<sup>th</sup> March 2024
- 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024
- 19<sup>th</sup> April 2024
- 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2024
- 17<sup>th</sup> May 2024
- 24<sup>th</sup> May 2024
- 14<sup>th</sup> June 2024
- 28<sup>th</sup> June 2024
- 12<sup>th</sup> July 2024

#### Garston Children's Centre Kinship Support Group

Support and guidance available from the Kinship support team, pop in to meet other kinship carers, have a chat and a cup of tea. Contact Garston Children's Centre for more information

**Garston Children's Centre**

70 Banks Road  
Garston L19 8JZ  
0151 233 6868

Registered Charity Number: 1122907 Kinship Carers is a company limited by guarantee No:05943911



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## Safeguarding & Support

**Safeguarding Team**

If you are feeling sad, upset, hurt or scared you can talk to any member of staff.

 Designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Birch	 Co-designated Safeguarding Lead Mrs Gordon	 Deputy Safeguarding Lead Mrs Piggby	 Safeguarding Team Member Mrs Reilly	 Safeguarding Governor Ms Riley
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If you have any safeguarding concerns or queries please speak to a member of the team.



**Worried about a Child or Young Person?**

If a child or young person is at risk of harm, abuse or neglect please report it to:

**CARELINE**  
Call 0151 233 3700

**NSPCC**

**Worried about a child?**

**0808 800 5000**  
[help@nspcc.org.uk](mailto:help@nspcc.org.uk)

**TALK TO US**

If things are getting to you

**116 123** FREE  
The number is FREE to call nationwide

[jo@samaritans.org](mailto:jo@samaritans.org)  
[samaritans.org](http://samaritans.org)

**SAMARITANS**

Call in for advice and support

**BIG HELP PROJECT**




Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Hope Place, 410 East Prescott Road, L14 3EQ 11am - 1pm	Deysbrook Community Centre, 2 Deysbrook Way, L12 4XF 9am - 12pm	Friends of Eaton Street Park @ Eaton Street, Prescot, L34 6DH 11:30am - 1:30pm	Croxteth Family Matters @ 35 Moss Way, L11 0BL 9am - 3pm	Croxteth Family Matters @ 35 Moss Way, L11 0BL 10:30pm - 12:30pm
Joseph Lappin Centre, Mill Lane, Old Swan, L13 5TF 12pm - 2pm	Community Hub, The Craft, Stockbridge Village, L28 1NR 12pm - 2pm	The Drive, 235B Finch Lane, L14 4AE 12pm - 3pm	Deysbrook Community Centre, 2 Deysbrook Way, L12 4XF 9am - 12pm	The Drive, 235B Finch Lane, L14 4AE 12pm - 3pm
Big Help Project, 212H Booter Street, Kensington 1:30pm - 3:30pm	Market Stalls No. 118-119, Market Square, Kirkby, L32 8RQ 12pm - 2pm	St George's Church, 46 Primrose Drive, L36 8DW 10am - 1pm	Community Hub, The Craft, Stockbridge Village, L28 1NR 10:30am - 12:30pm	St Michael's Huyton Parish Church Hall, Bluebell Lane, L36 7SE 12pm - 2pm
Marybone Youth Centre, Addison Way, L3 2EW 1pm - 4pm	Walton Vale Community Shop, 105 Walton Vale, Walton, L9 4SR 1:30pm - 3:30pm (Book for 5.30 - 6.30 slot at waltonvaleshop.co.uk)	The Flowers @ 1 Citron Close, L9 1LG 2:30pm - 4:30pm	Charlotte's Brightside @ New Brighton Community Centre, 1A Hope Street, CH45 2LN 12pm - 3pm	Roby Community Centre, Merton Cres, Huyton, L36 4LD 12pm - 2pm
Charlotte's Brightside @ New Brighton Community Centre, 1A Hope Street, CH45 2LN 12:30pm - 3:30pm	Care Merseyside Tower Hill Community Centre, Ebony Way, L33 1XT 12:30pm - 2:30pm	The Drive, 235B Finch Lane, L14 4AE 4pm - 6pm	Walton Vale Community Shop, 105 Walton Vale, Walton, L9 4SR 1:30pm - 3:30pm (Book for 5.30 - 6.30 slot at waltonvaleshop.co.uk)	Big Help Project, 212H Booter Street, Kensington 1:30pm - 3:30pm
	Charlotte's Brightside @ New Brighton Community Centre, 1A Hope Street, CH45 2LN 12pm - 3pm	Roby Community Centre, Merton Cres, Huyton, L36 4LD 12pm - 2pm	Market Stalls No. 118-119, Market Square, Kirkby, L32 8RQ 12pm - 2pm	Big Help Cymru, 31 Vale Road, Rhyll, LL18 2BT 12pm - 2:30pm
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**FIND A MEAL**

<p><b>Bootle</b> Tuesdays at 7pm St Matthew's 410 Stanley Road L20 5AE</p>	<p><b>Dingle</b> Wednesdays at 7pm St Cleopas Church 400 Mill Street L8 4RF</p>	<p><b>Old Swan</b> Thursdays 7pm The Salvation Army Prescot Road L13 3BT</p>
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Food Clubs offer members good quality fresh food that would otherwise go to landfill. Members pay £3.50 a week and choose up to 10 items, or pay £5 for up to 15 items.  
\*subject to change - check our social media every Monday for our

**Find out more about Big Help:**

Big Help Project  
@bighelpproject  
@bighelpproject

bighelpproject.com  
0151 482 6089  
212 Booter St. L6 6AF

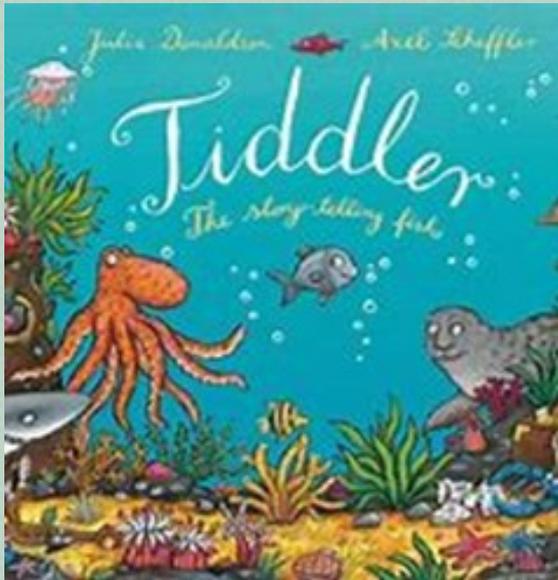
**Come in for a free meal**  
No referral needed, just turn up!

[www.foodcycle.org.uk](http://www.foodcycle.org.uk) | 02077 292 775  
Registered charity number: 113423

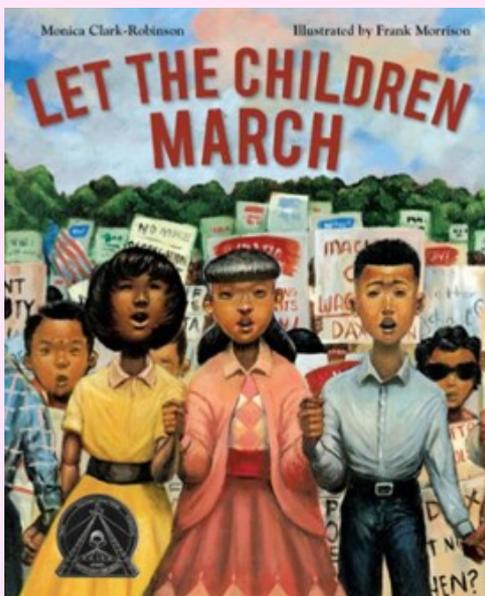


## Storytime @ St Michael's

Scan a code, snuggle up and listen to a story!



The Tiddler by Julia Donaldson and Axel



Scan the QR code to listen to...

"Let the Children March"

By Monica Clark-Robinson



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## St Michael's Catholic Primary School

### Term Dates 2023 -2024

#### Autumn Term 2023

Term: Monday 4th September – Thursday 21st December

Pupils: Autumn Term 1 – Monday 4th September to Thursday 26th October

Half term: Monday 30th October to Friday 3rd November

Pupils: Autumn Term 2 – Monday 6th November to Thursday 21st December

Terms ends: Thursday 21st December 2023



#### Spring Term 2024

Term: Monday 8th January – Thursday 28th March

Pupils: Spring Term 1 – Monday 8th January to Friday 9th February

Half term: Monday 12th February – Monday 19th February

Pupils: Spring Term 2 – Tuesday 20th February to Thursday 28th March

Term ends: Thursday 28th March



#### Summer Term 2024

Term: Monday 8th April to Friday 19th July

Pupils: Summer Term 1 – Monday 8th April to Friday 24th May

Half term: Monday 27th May to Friday 7th June

Pupils: Summer Term 2 – Monday 10th June to Friday 19th July

Term Ends: Friday 19th July

May Bank Holiday: Monday 6th May



### Staff Development Days – School closed for pupils

Friday 1st September 2023

Friday 27th October

Monday 19th February 2024

Four extended twilight sessions (22nd Dec & 22 July)



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### Term Dates 2024 -2025

#### Autumn Term 2024

Term: Tuesday 3rd September – Friday 20th December

Pupils: Autumn Term 1 – Tuesday 3rd September to Friday 25th October

Half term: Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November

Pupils: Autumn Term 2 – Monday 4th November to Friday 20th December

Terms ends: Friday 20th December 2024



#### Spring Term 2025

Term: Monday 6th January – Thursday 10th April

Pupils: Spring Term 1 – Monday 6th January to Friday 14th February

Half term: Monday 17th February – Monday 24th February

Pupils: Spring Term 2 – Tuesday 25th February to Thursday 10th April

Term ends: Thursday 10th April 2025



#### Summer Term 2025

Term: Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 18th July (May Bank Holiday: Monday 5th May)

Pupils: Summer Term 1 – Tuesday 22nd April to Friday 23rd May

Half term: Monday 26th May to Friday 6th June

Pupils: Summer Term 2 – Monday 9th June to Friday 18th July

Term Ends: Friday 18th July 2025



### Staff Development Days – School closed for pupils

Monday 2nd September 2024

Monday 24th February 2025

Six extended twilight session