St Gabriel's Catholic Primary School

The Messenger



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Safeguarding Awareness: Please keep to the paths/kerbs around the front of school with your children, avoiding walking through the car park. Thank you.

Dear parents and carers,

Half term is upon us and what a half term it has been! We've celebrated our welcome mass for all, held a coffee morning, experienced a retreat day, a mission day, a team building day, inter school games, Black History month, class visits to Ford Green Hall and the Imperial War Museum, elected school councillors, safeguarding ambassadors, sports ambassadors and had a disco, all whilst still learning! It has been a great term.

Thank you to everyone that has supported us too in some form on trips, on fundraising, volunteering within school and helping us with Monday's disco. 😊 We are still seeking to recruit a school business manager so that support is gratefully received as Mrs Stevenson is currently managing the office and 100 other tasks. Thank you for being patient with us at busy times, but we are hoping to appoint after half term.

You may also have noticed on the narrow walkway around to the rear of the school, Mr Smith has installed some mirrors to view any oncoming foot traffic around the blind corners and ease potential congestion. Hopefully this should make that walkway somewhat safer to navigate.

We return after half term on Monday 2 November.

Wishing you all a restful and peaceful week ahead.

With every blessing, E J Byrne.

REQUEST: **If you have any board games/card games no longer used at home and would like to donate to school, we would make great use of them in our designated quiet space outside at breaks/lunchtimes. Thank you.**

Forthcoming Dates

November 2026	
Mon 2	School opens
Tues 3	Reception Outdoor Learning
Wed 4	Art Gallery of pupil's work
Wed 11	Y6 Remembrance Assembly
Thurs 12	Visyon Workshop Y4; Enrolment mass 4pm (children making their Holy Communion next year)
Tues 17	Y5 Outdoor Learning
Tues 24	Y4 Outdoor Learning
Thurs 26	Visyon workshop (Y4)
December 2026	
Tues 1	Y3 Outdoor Learning
Tues 8	Y2 Outdoor Learning
Tues 15	Y1 Outdoor Learning
Thurs 17	End of term Mass
Friday 18	School closes
January 2027	
Mon 4	School closed-INSET
Tues 5	School opens/Rec Outdoor Learning
Mon 25	Young Voices/Shining Rays at Manchester Co-op Arena
February 2027	
Mon 8	Y6 visit Stanley Head

School communication

If you need to contact the school office, please use the office@stgabriels.cheshire.sch.uk address. Class Dojo is an effective way to get messages out to you as parents, however please do not respond via dojo (but via email if need be) as it isn't always monitored.

Thank you.



Attendance from September-now

Rec	97.2
Y1	98.5
Y2	97.2
Y3	96.3
Y4	97.7
Y5	97.4
Y6	96.7
Total	97.3

This is brilliant! Let's keep this up!

Remember: the clocks go back this Weekend, don't forget 😊.

Driving around school: At times of high volume, drop off and pick up times…

- PLEASE use the informal 1-way system to access and depart from school, along Cedar Avenue and up out of Well Lane. Please do not try to come down Well Lane.
- PLEASE drive carefully and slowly when accessing the car park adjacent to school, there may be children running from behind a parked car. Thank you.



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Website: St Gabriel's Catholic Primary School: Welcome (stgabriels.cheshire.sch.uk)

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mrs C Stevenson

Deputy DSL: Mrs R Schauer

Chair of Governing Body: Dr. Gerard Silverlock

Governor responsible for Safeguarding: Mrs K Poole

Cheshire East Safeguarding Children's Partnership (CESCP)

(CESCP weblink)

St Thomas More Catholic High School (click on link below)

St Thomas More Catholic High School, Crewe - Home (st-thomasmore.cheshire.sch.uk)

ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Headteacher: Mrs Katherine Packham

Visits to the school can be easily arranged by contacting the school:

admin@st-thomasmore.cheshire.sch.uk/or through St Gabriel's, office@stgabriels.cheshire.sch.uk.

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