

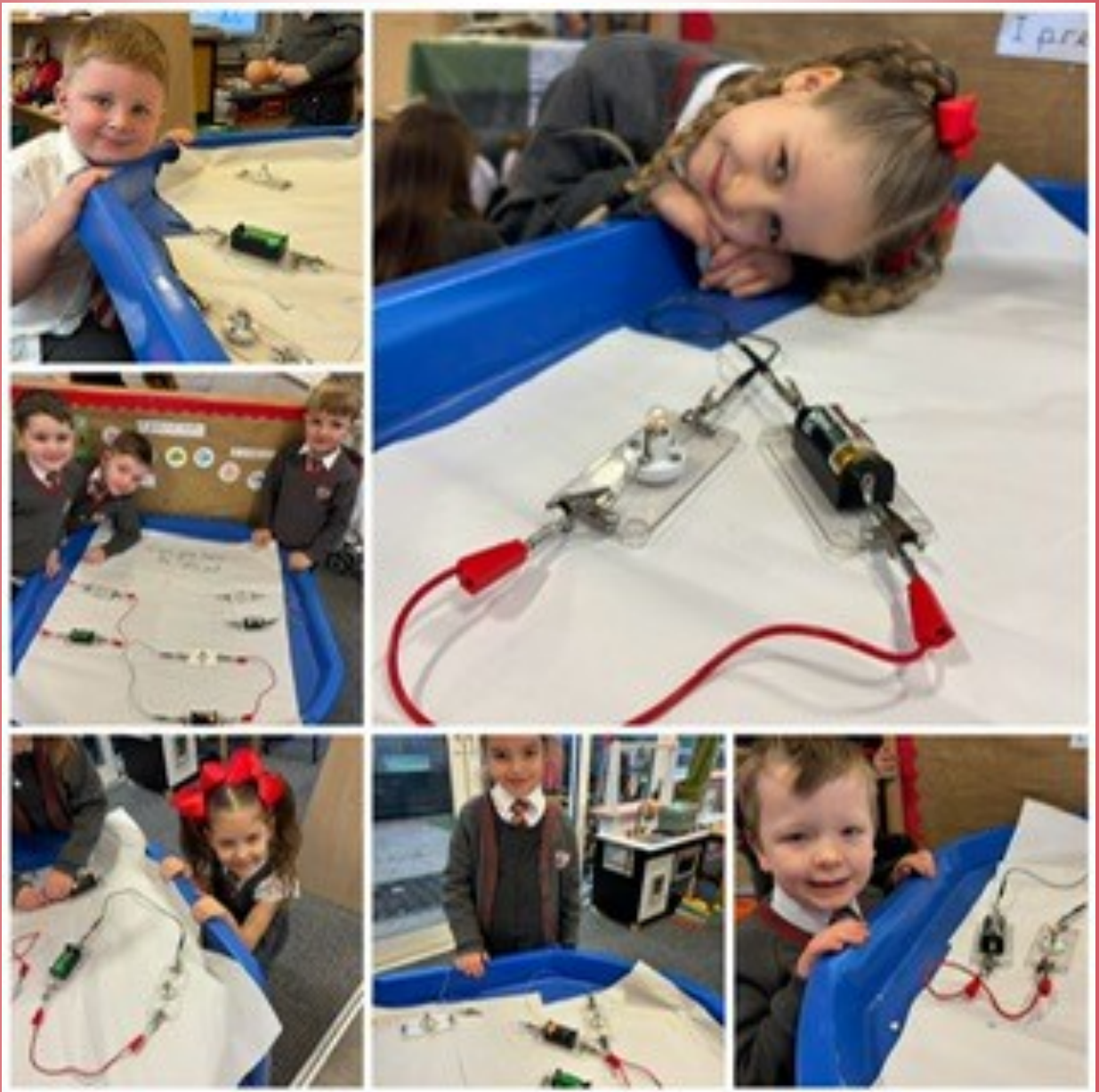


St John Fisher Catholic Primary School

"Growing through God, we learn, laugh and love"

Newsletter 30th January 2026

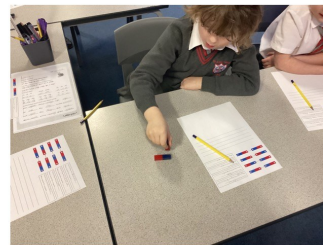
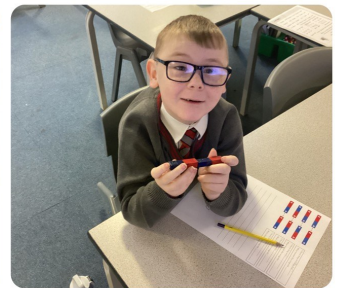
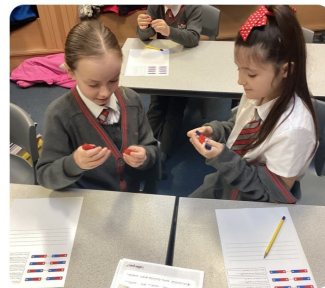
Reception have been making circuits to help Noi from "The Storm Whale" book to build a lighthouse.



Year 3

Year 3 have been busy learning new things this week. Their Geography lesson included a debate about whether it is better to live in a Rural or Urban area the children enjoyed debating both sides of the argument and decided that the Urban area would be better to live in.

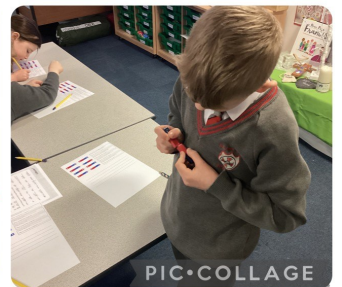
In Science they looked at magnets and in English they acted out a scene from their book "The Stone Age Boy".



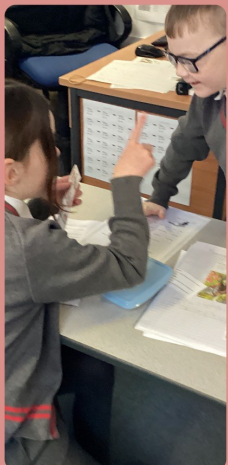
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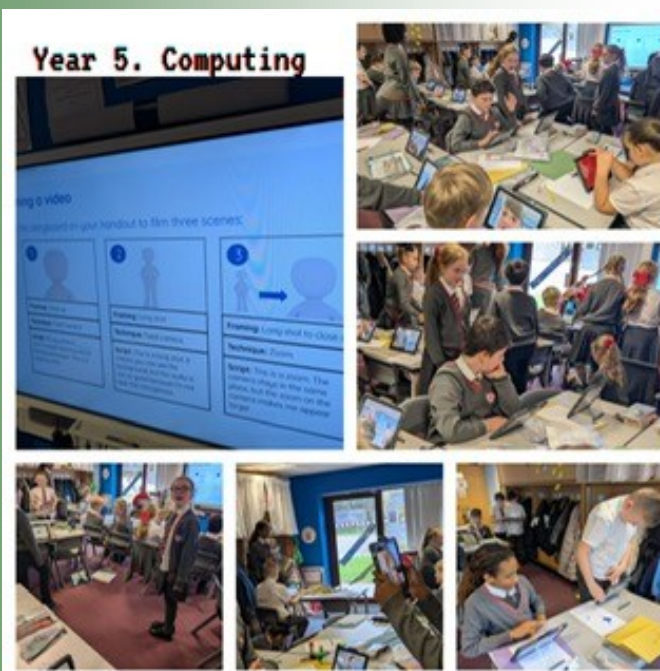
Year 5



Science this week was all about dissecting a flower and naming and labelling its parts.

Year 5 bringing the Good News to life.

Inspired by Isaiah and the Gospel, pupils explored Jesus' mission through drama, movement and compassion — showing how faith is lived through action, not just words.



Lights, camera, action!

In computing, Year 5 explored different filming techniques, experimenting with camera angles, framing and movement to create effective videos. A great mix of creativity, teamwork and digital skills.

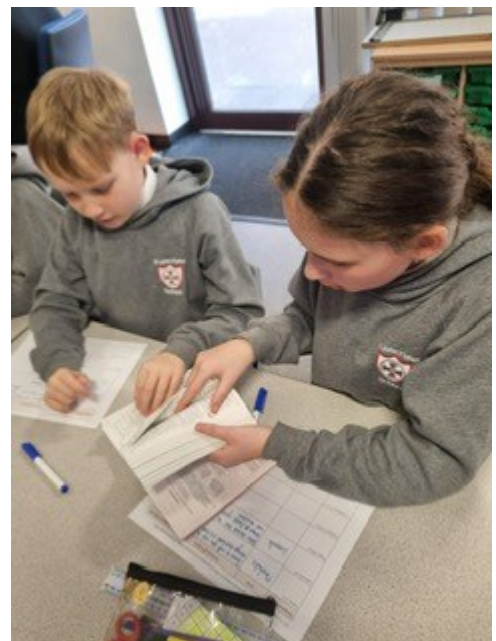
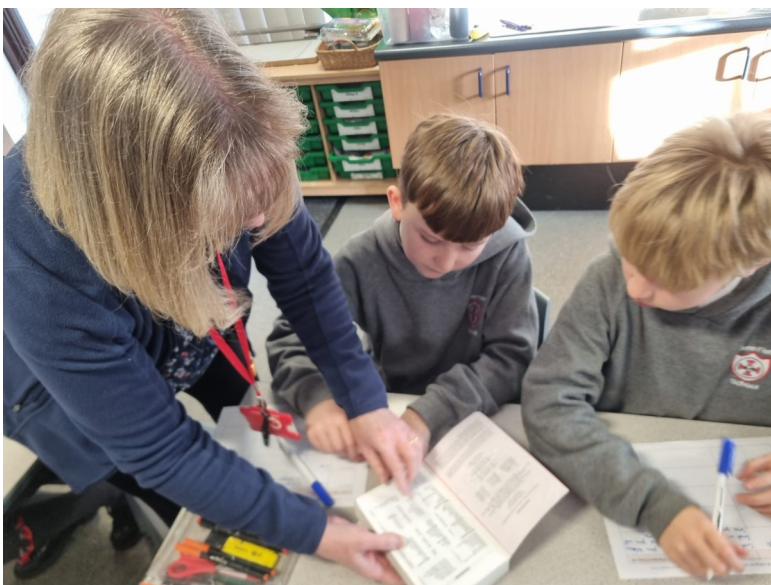
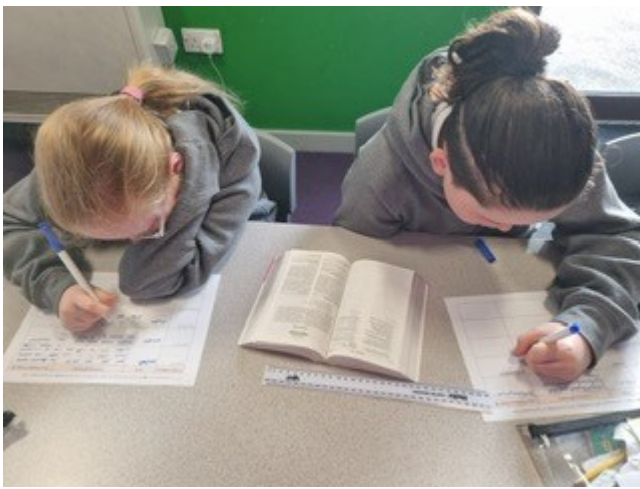
Year 6

Come and See

Digging into the Bible this week .

Pupils explored different Bible genres, using real and online Bibles to find books, chapters and verses — and learning how scripture guides beliefs and everyday life.

Focused, thoughtful learning in action



Attendance Matters – Every Day Counts!

Why Attendance Matters

- Good Attendance = Better Learning + Wellbeing + Safeguarding
- Every day in school matters, small amounts of absence add up.
- DfE expects schools to monitor attendance & support families early.

Parent Notifications via School Spider

Stay Informed at Key Attendance Levels

Below 96% (School Target)	93% & Below (Approaching Persistent Absence)	90% & Below (Persistent Absence)
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> Parents Notified </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Attendance Monitored </div> </div>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> Initial Notification </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Monitored Weekly + Fortnightly Updates </div> </div>	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> Initial Notification </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Monitored Daily + Weekly Updates </div> </div>

Working Together for Success

- Early Support to Overcome Barriers
- Helping Every Child Attend & Achieve

Check the School Spider App Regularly!

Need Support?

- Concerns about illness, transport, or other issues?

Contact the School – We're Here to Help!

St. John Fisher Primary - Attendance 26th Jan 2026 – 30th Jan 2026

Year Group	Present Marks (%)	Late Marks	
Year R	88.2%	2	
Year Y1	93.1%	3	
Year Y2	97.1%	1	1st
Year Y3	90.3%	3	
Year Y4	94.3%	1	3rd
Year Y5	96.8%	7	2nd
Year Y6	91.3%	2	

**Congratulations to the following
Children who have been awarded our
Smile, Dojo and Superstar awards
this week.**



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Holiday Dates 2025-2026

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FOR THE SAFETY OF OUR CHILDREN—NO DOGS ARE ALLOWED ON THE SCHOOL GROUNDS. SMOKING AND VAPING ARE ALSO NOT ALLOWED.

Lost & Found



Dolce are increasing their meal prices in April to £3.12 per



<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/good-news?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4>



FEBRUARY

Wed 4th—Paul Delaney Poetry Buzz

Fri 6th—Young Voices—Manchester—Choir

Wed 11th—Parents Evening

Thurs 12th—Parents Evening (afternoon)

Tues 24th—Year 6 Lowe House Retreat

Reading Plus and Year 6 study sessions will not be on next week.

**SCHOOL CLOSURES ON FRIDAY 13TH AT NORMAL TIME
AND REOPENS ON
MONDAY 23RD FEBRUARY**

MARCH

Thurs 5th— World Book Day

Our theme this year is “Jungle” so children can dress as jungle animals or anything related to the jungle such as the colour green. This can be as simple as wearing something green or any other jungle colour. There is no expectation for fancy costumes.

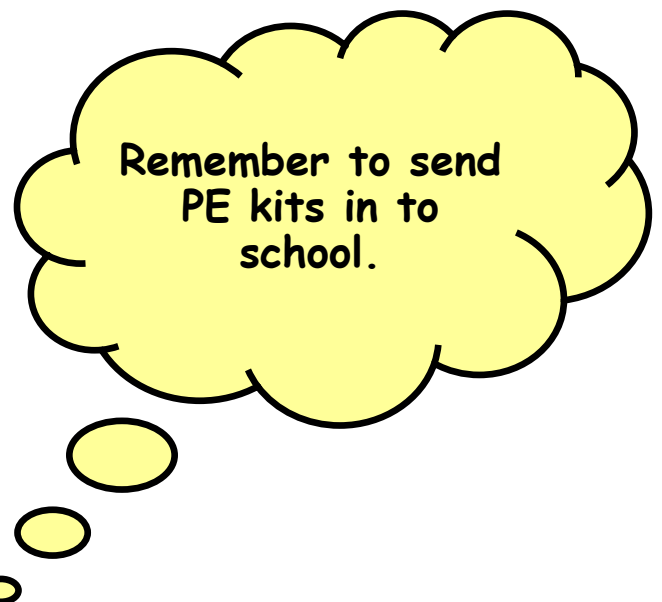
Fri 13th —Jungle Book Theatrical Production

Wed 18th—P&P Spring Concert

Tues 24th—KS2 Stations of the Cross

Thurs 26th—Easter Bingo

**SCHOOL CLOSURES ON FRIDAY 27TH MARCH AT 1.30PM AND
REOPENS ON
MONDAY 13TH APRIL
EXTRA CLUB WILL BE OPEN ON THE LAST DAY UNTIL
4PM.**



HOW TO CONTACT US

We have an open door policy at our school and you can talk to anyone about any issues you have but we want to ensure that you speak to the right person to resolve the issues at first contact.

For issues relating to your child's learning or welfare please contact your class teacher first. Face to Face at the end of the day is best but we understand that this isn't always possible or that you may have issues that you don't want to discuss in front of the children or other parents.

You can email them with your concerns or ask them to call you or arrange a convenient time to come in.

CLASS	TEACHER	EMAIL
Reception	Mr McCulloch	Senco.stjohnfisher@haltonlearning.net
Year 1	Miss Whitley	Emily.whitley@SJFPRIMARY.CO.UK
Year 2	Mrs Case	case@SJFPRIMARY.CO.UK
Year 3	Mr Redmond	redmond@SJFPRIMARY.CO.UK
Year 4	Miss Sweeney	sweeney@SJFPRIMARY.CO.UK
Year 5	Mrs Highcock	highcock@SJFPRIMARY.CO.UK
Year 6	Mrs Callender	callender@SJFPRIMARY.CO.UK

For Pastoral or Safeguarding concerns please contact Mrs. Smith via the school office number or by email.

Pastoral.stjohnfisher@haltonlearning.net

For all general enquiries, payments, trips, medicines and to advise of early pickups for appointments etc please contact the Office as normal on 0151 424 7794.

As always Mrs. Dickinson and Mrs. Harrison are always available.

We hope this process will make it easier for you.



St John Fisher— on Instagram
stjohnfisherwidnescps

8.40am Gates Open

KS1 use the Reception wooden gate and KS2 use the large green gate.

8.45am Bell rings and children line up.

8.50am School day starts, anyone in after this will get a late mark.

3.05pm GATES OPEN

3.15pm School day ends

ALLERGIES

Our kitchen is nut free—we would ask that you do not send products containing nuts in to school in lunch boxes or snacks. Thank you for the support with this as it will limit the risk for our children with nut allergies.

**PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL AT DROP OFF AND
COLLECTION**

Can we please ask that you do not park or manoeuvre outside the gates when dropping off/collecting. As you can appreciate the school is situated in a side road which makes parking difficult so we would ask that you park elsewhere rather than risk manoeuvring on Edward Street.

We understand that you are all busy and have places to go of a morning and evening but please let's not wait for a child to be hurt.