

27th March 2026

ST JOHN'S NEWS

'The only thing that matters is faith expressing itself through love.' Galatians 5:6

Dates for the term ahead

Summer term key dates – **April and May**

Monday 13th April – return to school

Wednesday 15th April – Y1 phonics meeting for parents 3.30pm

Friday 17th April – Times Tables Rock Star day (children to dress up)

Friday 1st May 1.00pm – online safety talk followed by open afternoon.

Wednesday 6th May – trip to Quarry Bank Mill for Miss Foster and Mrs Clark's classes.

Friday 8th May – trip to Quarry Bank Mill for Mrs Peacock's class.



Pupil News

Hey everyone. This week Mrs Patterson and some Year 5 girls have been selling sunflowers and other items to raise money for the Gardening Club. After half term they will be selling Chilli plants, scrunchies, books and bookmarks. So far we have raised over £30 which will go towards plants and compost for the allotment.

In reception we've been very busy creating some amazing Easter cards and learning what it's like to be a Nursery Teacher, it sounds like they have lots of fun in their job, Karen even read us a funny story. We also did some baking this week, making our very own biscuits to eat.

On Wednesday James' mum came in to tell us about her job at Styal Prison as they have been learning about Crime and Punishment in history. It was so interesting, we had lots of questions to ask her. In other news, Lydia broke a world record as part of the biggest break dancing group ever recorded! Not only that but Stanley has been busy spotting wildlife using a night vision camera!

On Thursday it was the end of term Reading Raffle, all of the children who read over 30 times at home during the half term get a Gold Certificate and are then entered into the raffle to win a shiny new book!!! We were told that we are now introducing a PLATINUM certificate which you get if you read 45 times at home and you get a special reward if you hit that!!!!

Happy Easter everyone! Thank You to Isla and Beth for this weeks' news.

Updates and information

Fidget toys

We are writing to inform you that the fidget toys recently shared with pupils as part of the bronze prize (50 pts) have been subject to a recall notice.

As a precaution, we have asked children not to use these items. The safety and wellbeing of our pupils is always our highest priority, and we are taking this matter seriously.

We are also taking this opportunity to review our rewards system to ensure that all prizes offered are appropriate, safe, and aligned with our values as a school. We will update you once this review is complete

Phonics and reading

There will be a phonics and reading session for parents straight after school on Wednesday 15th April.

This will be really helpful in supporting your child with their reading and give you all the information needed ahead of the Y1 phonics check in June.

Children are welcome to stay with you if required.

Out Of School Club

Due to increasing costs etc, the Governors have reviewed the pricing of OOSC. The Out of school club fees from after Easter as follows:

Breakfast club - £8.50 per session

Afternoon session up to 4.30pm - £8.50

4.30pm - 5.30pm - £7.50 (this will still be charged per half hour)

These will be the charges from 13 April 2026.

Wildlife spotting



Learning about Eid



World Record Breaker



PE timetable

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These are the regular slots. Keep an eye on any emails from your teachers in the event of a change for a particular week.

| | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
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| PE/Forest School: Children to dress in PE kit on these days. | Miss Williams Mrs Johnson/Mrs Reed Mrs Arnold/Mrs Clark | Mrs Walsh Mrs Cole Mrs Westerby | Mrs Cole Mrs Wilby Mrs Arnold/Mrs Clark Miss Bartley/Mrs Peacock Y4s swimming | Miss Williams Mrs Johnson/Mrs Reed Mrs Westerby | Mrs Walsh Mrs Wilby Miss Foster Miss Bartley/Mrs Peacock |

Extra-curricular clubs

Extra-curricular clubs summer term

| | Club | Leader | Year groups | Timing | How to sign up |
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| Tuesday | Netball Gardening | Miss Foster Mrs Patterson | Y5/6 KS2 | 3.15-4.15 lunchtime | Complete a letter and hand back to Miss Foster |
| Wednesday | Football (all) Gymnastics Y3 | Mr Harrison Mr Sivewright | Y3/4 Y3 | 3.15-4.15 3.15-4.15 | Email office to enquire about places left. |
| Thursday | Football | PFC | Y3-6 | 3.15-4.15 | https://premier-football-coaching.classfor-kids.io/ |
| Friday | Explore Street dance Multi-sports | Mrs Clark and Mrs Hawkyard Sylk Dance Academy PFC | Y3-6 Y2-4 YR-6 | lunchtime 3.15-4.15 3.15-4.15 | Expression of interest to staff Sign up online: https://dancestu-dio-pro.com/online/clubs/ |
| Various | Mr Sivewright will also run Forest School clubs at lunch time depending on the weather and other events in school. This will be an offer open to those interested on the day. | | | | |

