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Dear Parents,

We hope that this has been a good week for you.

The Catholic life of our school

Our Harvest Celebration – School & Parish Family Mass in Church – Sun 4th Oct

Please make every effort to join us in St Urban's Church for Mass on Sunday 4th October at 10:30am.

Our children will be reading, playing the music, singing and offering the gifts of bread and Wine during the Offertory Procession.



We welcome our musicians and singers again to join us as we lead the music at Mass this Sunday.



Today is the CAFOD Harvest Family Fast Day. Thank you to those who have already sent in their CAFOD envelopes, and if you haven't, and can spare a few pence/pounds, please send the envelopes in next week.

Thank you so much too for your most generous donations of tinned and packet food which we will donate to the SVP on your behalf.

Our Virtue to Live by:

Citizenship

**I am a good citizen.
I show love for my neighbour
through my actions.**

"Do not forget to do good and to help one another, because these are the sacrifices that please God." Hebrews 13:14; 16

Virtues to Live By...

Our Virtue for the remainder of this half term is: **CITIZENSHIP**

Signs you are a good citizen:

- I show love for my neighbour through my actions
- I am part of my community
- I make a positive difference
- I look for opportunities to serve others
- I am proactive
- I play my part to look after the environment



Faith in Action Leaders

During the course of this week, pupils in Years 5 and 6 were invited to put themselves forward to become Faith in Action Leaders in school.

Our Faith in Action Leaders help staff in school, participate in inter-school faith events, and often lead events themselves in school, such as:

- Leading class and whole school prayers
- The praying of a decade of the Rosary at lunchtimes in October and May
- Reading at School and Parish Masses
- Taking part in Lent Stations of the Cross with other schools
- Joining with other schools to local places of pilgrimage
- Contributing to the life of the Parish e.g. welcoming at Mass, reading bidding prayers
- Volunteering in the local community by organising and leading fundraisers and charity work
- Maintaining the Prayer Garden
- Being excellent role models of faith and prayer

Once appointed, their expertise and confidence will grow during the year and we always welcome from our Faith in Action Leaders new ways of reaching out to all members of our school and parish community.

I look forward to introducing you all soon to our new Faith in Action Leaders for 2026/27.



The Rosary Challenge

During October, our whole school will join the Rosary Challenge. Also, our Faith in Action Leaders will lead the praying of a decade of the Rosary during two lunchtimes each week of October.





JOIN THE ROSARY CHALLENGE

TWENTY DAYS OF GUIDED PRAYER FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY, STARTING 1 OCTOBER. SIGN UP TO THE ROSARY CHALLENGE NOW.

THE MARK 10 MISSION ROSARY CHALLENGE

The Mark 10 Mission Rosary Challenge is to pray a decade of the Holy Rosary each weekday in October. We will share a video for each mystery of the Rosary, twenty in total. Each week, you will be gently guided through a different set of mysteries. This year, Greg will be joined by Fr Paschal Uche and Fr Toby Lees OP at the beautiful Rosary Shrine, London.

Sign up to this year's Rosary Challenge here:
<https://ow.ly/PgM050ZP19I>

The Sacraments



Year 3, 4 and 6

The dates set for Y3 and Y4 children receiving the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion for the first time are:

Reconciliation (Y3) - Wednesday 3rd March 2027 at 6pm in Church.

First Holy Communions (Y4) - Saturday 8th May and Saturday 22nd May 2027, both at 10:00am in Church.

Confirmation (Y6) – this Sacrament will be conferred by Fr. Chris during the week commencing 18th January 2027. Preparation for these Sacraments will be taking place during the school day, in due course.

Attendance News



Our whole school attendance figure for this week is 97.5%

Our whole school attendance figure for the year so far is 96.8%

Congratulations to YEAR 6 for achieving the highest attendance this week – both at 100%!

Congratulations



... to Valentina, Eryn, Leo McK, Louie S, R'Nila, Joseph M, Leo B, Ore, Olivia M, Floss, Blazej, Hannah F-T, Claire, Noah K, Jacob S, Caspar, Arthur B, Eliana and Patrick.

These children have been recognised for showing the virtue of **CITIZENSHIP** for their great work and attitude to learning this week or for being Writer of the Week.



**Well done and congratulations to all of our children.
You can see them pictured below.**



Macmillan fundraiser

Thank you once more for the support given to this event. The cake/bun sales after school last Friday and on Monday this week, together with the £1 donations for the children's buns in class, have raised a fantastic £276.67



British Library - Storytelling Workshop

Today, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 engaged in a storytelling workshop provided by the British Library. Through exploring the story of the 'Three little Pigs', the children developed their storytelling skills, strengthening their oracy skills and collaborating as a class to help tell a story.



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The children enjoyed using props to bring the characters to life, creating a fun learning experience.

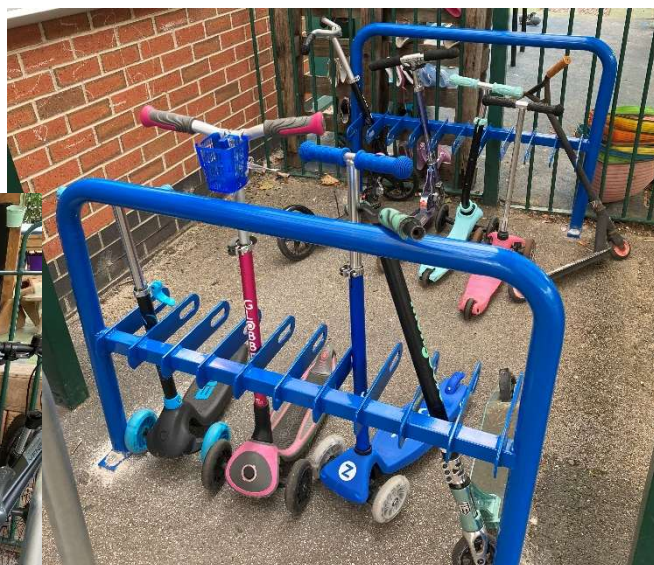


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Scooter and bicycle racks

Many of our children are cycling and scooting to and from school and are getting terrific use out of the newly installed scooter and bike racks – this is great!



Please remember that scooters and bikes should not be ridden around the school yard, either at the beginning or end of the day.

The children must wheel their scooter or bike down the yard and put them safely in the racks. We certainly do not want to have to deal with unnecessary accidents at these very busy times of the day. Thank you everyone.

Diary of Events until October half term

04.10.26	Harvest School Mass in Church – 10:30am
05.10.26	Y6 Bikeability (Mon-Weds)
07.10.26	FOSU Autumn Disco
12.10.26	High Adventure Residential Trip Monday to Wednesday – Y6
20.10.26	Parents' Evening 1 6.00-8.30pm
22.10.26	Parents' Evening 2 3.30-6.00pm School closes to children
23.10.26	Staff training day 2
HALF TERM BREAK 01.11.26 - Application window opens for Reception 2027	
02.11.26	School re-opens for Autumn 2 term

We wish you all a happy and relaxing weekend,

Tara McStay
Headteacher

COMMUNITY NOTICES



FOR PARENTS & CARERS

HEALTHY FAMILIES: GROWING UP

FREE 8-SESSION PROGRAMME

Guiding families to grow happier and healthier, together

We'll cover essential topics like:

- Building a healthy family routine
- Understanding children's behaviour
- Positive mealtime tips
- Setting healthy boundaries
- Managing screen time and sleep
- Supporting self-esteem and body image

SIGN UP TODAY!

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It changed the way we do things as a family, in the best way: we're eating better, moving more and enjoying time together. I'd recommend it to any parent, it's practical and really works!!

- Parents from the Healthy Families: Growing Up Programme

When: Wednesday 7th October
Where: Kerr Mackie Primary School (cabin)
Time: 9:00 am til 11:00

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6.15-7.15PM**

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