



Friday 11th September 2026

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"Together in Faith, Friendship, Kindness and Courage"



Prayer, Liturgy & Worship Assembly

'Where there are two or three gathered in my name, there I am among them.' (Matthew 18:20)

The key messages from the assembly were:

Recognise Jesus' presence with us, especially when we are united.

Be a community that listens, makes peace and settles conflict.

Trust that our prayers will be answered. Strengthen our faith of others by being together.



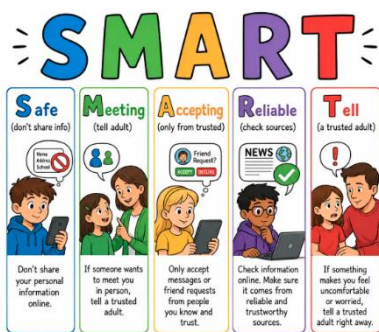
Year 6 SAT Results 2026

We have received incredible Year 6 SAT results once again for 2026, which were so much higher than national standards. We finished first in the Tameside League tables last year and I'm sure these results will put us up there again. This is thanks to the excellent teaching and learning the children receive throughout St Christopher's school; the hard work from the children and support from parents and carers.

St Christopher's SAT results 2026

National average is in brackets.

Subject	Expected	Greater Depth
English Reading	97% (75%)	63% (30%)
Grammar, Spelling and Punctuation	97% (72%)	69% (25%)
Writing	97% (73%)	16% (13%)
Mathematics	100% (74%)	44% (26%)



Online Safety

The children are being reminded about on-line safety and bullying in class. In School we use, 'Be Smart with a Heart.'

S: Safe on line

M: Never meet up.

A: Don't accept anything on line

R: Everything on the internet isn't reliable

T: Tell an adult if you are worried.

House Leader Elections

We held the school House Leader elections on Wednesday. Year 6 children put themselves forward for election. Each child then made a speech detailing why they should be the House Leader. A large number of children put themselves forward and everyone made excellent speeches. All classes from Year 1 to Year 6 voted for their House leader. It was a great exercise in democracy. We will announce the results next week.

All the children who took part making incredible speeches for their Houses. Well done everyone, it takes a lot of courage to stand for election and make a speech.



Sissay



Pankhurst



Gaskell



Turing



Lowry



Meet the Teacher: After School Meetings

It was really good to see so many parents and carers at the 'meet the teacher meetings' on both Monday and Tuesday evening. School is very much a partnership between parents and carers and the school. The reason we are so successful is because of your support. If you have any further questions the teachers will be happy to speak to you.



Reading

As always there is a huge focus on reading in school. It is proved that 15 minutes regular reading at home will greatly improve your child's chances at school.

We ask that parents and carers ensure that they either read daily with their child, or ensure their child reads for fifteen minutes every night. Reading diaries must be signed.



Timekeeping & Attendance Reminders

Please remember that school starts at 8.45 a.m. It is essential that your child is in line by 8.45 a.m. Teaching starts in school as soon as the children arrive in. In EYFS and KS1 phonics lessons start at 9.00 a.m. sharp, so children need to be getting prepared at 8.45 a.m.

A reminder also that **any absences must be communicated to the school office via telephone before 8.45am** on the first day of absence, clearly stating the reason for the absence. If no explanation is provided, the absence will be logged as unauthorised.



Arbor

Arbor App

A reminder to those who are not yet signed up to the Arbor app to please do so as all school communication, information, clubs, trips, wraparound etc will be dealt with via this app going forward.

Now the initial teething problems have been resolved, we hope the system will be a much easier way to process/manage payments, so please do bear with us a little longer whilst we all get to grips with it. Your patience has been much appreciated by the office and we continue to support anyone having any difficulties or queries as they occur.

Please note that any remaining School Money balances will be transferred onto your Arbor account shortly.



School Grid App

School Grid remains the system for **ordering** school meals.

Parents/carers have up until **8.55am** in the morning to place a pre order for that day. Ordering in advance for the school week is usually the easiest way to avoid missing the daily deadline.

Please ensure you have topped up your account before ordering meals on the School Grid app.

Please be aware that any child without a pre order that day may not be able to choose at the counter or have limited choices available to them. This is due to portions cooked on the day based off the pre order information received. So, it is beneficial to get your child into the habit of choosing their meals to avoid any upset or disappointment. If you need any assistance with the app please contact or visit the school office.



After School Clubs

Thank you and well done to all those who have navigated the new club booking system via Arbor app.

Please note that when you sign up for club places, the new system requires you to book and pay for club places at the same time (unless payment is not required).

The full club schedule will be fully up and running from Monday 14th September. We still have a few slots left, so please have a look if your child is interested in joining a club. Once you have registered for clubs, they will appear in the top section of your school clubs page on your parent dashboard.

Please see the table below for the new after school club schedule for this half term (***please check days/times carefully***):

After School Clubs – Autumn Term 1

Mondays 3.15 – 4.15pm	KS1 Multi Sports (PAS) Years 1 & 2 6 x Sessions: 14/09/26 – 19/10/26	KS2 Football Years 3 – 6 6 x Sessions: 14/09/26 – 19/10/26
Tuesdays 3.15 – 4.30pm	KS2 MMA* Years 3 - 6 6 x Sessions: 15/09/26 – 20/10/26	
Wednesdays 3.15 – 4.15pm	KS1 Football (PAS) Years 1 & 2 7 x Sessions: 09/09/26 – 21/10/26	KS2 Cheerleading Years 3 – 6 7 x Sessions: 09/09/26 – 21/10/26
Thursdays 3.15 – 4.15pm	KS1 Street Dance Club Years 1 & 2 7 x Sessions: 10/09/26 – 22/10/26	KS2 Multi Sports (PAS) Years 3 – 6 7 x Sessions: 10/09/26 – 22/10/26
Fridays 3.15 – 4.15pm	Drama Years 2 – 6 7 x Sessions: 11/09/26 – 23/10/26	KS2 Chess Years 3 – 6 7 x Sessions: 11/09/26 – 23/10/26

****Please note the slightly later finish time for this club only.***

School Prayer

I love you above all things
 With my whole heart and soul,
 because you are all good
 and worthy of all love.
 I love my neighbour as myself
 For the love of You.
 I forgive all those who have injured me
 And ask pardon
 Of all who I have injured.
 Amen

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Mr Noone and Deputy DSL Miss Mulhall.



Class	CLASS MENTION AWARD WINNERS
Reception	Adrian & Emmeline
Year 1	Lyla & Liam
Year 2	Dimitris & Nancie
Year 3	Lyla & Isaac
Year 4	Chester & Harvey
Year 5	Naomi & Wynsleth
Year 6	Lyla & Jake

Class attendance for week ending 11/9/26

Registration Form	%
Reception	90.3%
Year 1	97.1%
Year 2	92.7%
Year 3	99.7%
Year 4	98.1%
Year 5	94.0%
Year 6	96.4%
Overall Weekly Total	95.5%
Winners	Year 3

Autumn 1 2026 Half Term Events

23 rd Sept	Mass
25 th Sept	MacMillan Coffee Morning - Wear Green & £1 cake donation
1 st Oct	Full Governors
13 th Oct	Year 6 trip to Air Raid Shelters
15 th Oct	Year 5 Assembly
15 th Oct	FFSC Glow Disco
23 rd Oct	School Closes at 3.15pm for Half Term holiday