



St John The Evangelist Catholic Primary School, a Voluntary Academy

9th October 2026

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Newsletter

Our Mission is to follow in the footsteps of Jesus

What another wonderful week of faith, learning and celebration we have enjoyed at St John's! This week, our Gospel focus has been Matthew 21:33-43, the **Parable of the Tenants**, reminding us that God has entrusted each of us with precious gifts and responsibilities, and that we are called to use them wisely, with love, kindness and gratitude. We have also been inspired by the life and work of **St Francis of Assisi**, reflecting on his example of humility, peace and care for God's beautiful creation.

Our Reception children continue to make us **incredibly proud** as they settle beautifully into school life! Their growing maturity, focus and attention during our whole-school gatherings have been wonderful to witness. What fantastic little members of our St John's family they are becoming! In Year 1, Mrs Dawson has been delighted with the children's hard work, particularly their excellent sentence writing in phonics and their **fascinating exploration** of toys from the past in History. Meanwhile, Year 2 have been busy becoming budding geographers, creating magnificent maps of Bradford and **discovering more** about the wonderful locality in which we live!

Moving into Key Stage 2, Year 3 have been exploring the **dramatic effects** of light and dark through their fantastic cave drawings. Using charcoal to build rich, dark tones and rubbers to reveal areas of light, the children have demonstrated **wonderful creativity** and artistic skill! Year 5 have been reflecting thoughtfully on how we can follow God's greatest commandments and live good, faithful lives. Their **beautiful reverence** during their class Mass was a particularly moving example of their growing faith and close relationship with God. We are so proud of them! Year 6 also delivered a truly inspiring Celebration of the Word, exploring the theme of 'Messenger'. Their message was delivered with confidence, clarity and conviction, demonstrating a **deep understanding of God's plan** for each of us and our responsibility to share His love with others.

Our school has truly been a place of prayer, reflection and action this week, as we continue to **grow together in faith**. Inspired by St Francis, we are reminded that even the smallest acts of kindness can make a wonderful difference to the world around us. We now look forward to our fantastic Faith Leaders and Mini Vinnies leading Rosary prayers throughout school next week, bringing our St John's family together in prayer during this special month of October, **dedicated to the Holy Rosary**.



Our Virtue Focus is **Respect**



"The kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit." Matthew 21:43

These words remind us that our faith must be seen not only in what we say, but in what we do. Just as St Francis showed God's love through his actions, we encourage all our children to bear the fruits of faith through generosity, respect, compassion and service to others.

A polite reminder that fidgets, makeup, gaming/trading cards (including Pokémon cards), toys and similar items are not permitted in school. We have noticed an increased number of children starting to bring these items into school again, so we would appreciate your support in reminding your child that these items should be left at home. If any of these items are seen or brought into school, they will be confiscated by staff and taken to the school office. Parents/carers will then be contacted via Arbor and asked to come into the school office to collect the item. These items will not be returned to children. Please ensure that your child does not bring these items into school, as they can cause distractions and disruption to learning. Thank you for your continued support and cooperation.

Next week:

Monday 12th October

NHS Flu immunisation Reception—Yr6
YR6 class Mass 9.15am

Wednesday 14th October

YR3 Worship 2.45pm

Thursday 15th October

Reception / Yr1 Parent sign up session for Fluoride Varnish in the playground from 8.30am

Friday 16th October

Gods Gift 9.05am (invitations to be sent)

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Reception Open Morning
Will your child be starting school in September 2027?
We would like to invite you to our open morning on
Tuesday 10th November
9.30 - 10.30am.
For further information please contact the school office on 01274 679030 or email office@sje.bwcat.co.uk

We are noticing quite a few children not bringing coats into school, as the cold weather approaches please ensure your child is bringing a coat to school everyday, as they go outside for break and dinner times. Thank you

Brilliant Handwriting Winners!

Reception: Tina
YR1: Delilah
YR2: Tiwa
YR3: Meera
YR4: Lucas
YR5: Brody-Lee
YR6: Freya

Whole school attendance for Summer 1 Term:

Good attendance (above 96%) is essential if children are to make good progress in their learning and to close gaps. Please try to make sure your child is in school every day possible.

98.2%

HOUSES POINTS TALLY

	GABRIEL	2nd-164
	MICHAEL	4th-124
	RAPHAEL	1st-177
	URIEL	3rd-144

Star of the Week:

RECEPTION— Leo
YEAR 1— Macaulay
YEAR 2— Grayson
YEAR 3— Sufyan
YEAR 4— Victor
YEAR 5— Ahmad
YEAR 6— Abigail

