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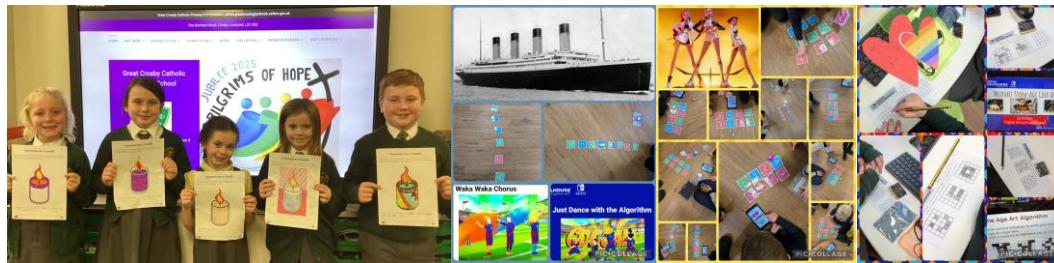
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This Week

Tuesday was Holocaust Memorial Day. Children took part in a variety of learning activities. Our website was purple to commemorate it. On Thursday, Year 6 watched the film, 'The Island of Bird Street' at the Plaza Cinema.

Thank you again to Jo Hodge from Digital Schoolhouse for working with Year 1, 2 and 3 this week, coding Spheros and Micro:bits. Year 1 have been practising for their Candlemas presentations and we look forward to seeing them next week. Tomorrow, several children are representing the whole of Sefton in the Merseyside County Primary Schools' Cross-Country Championships at Wavertree. Good luck to Huey, Caleb, Orlagh, Trixie, Sophie, Eve and Dara.



CATHOLIC LIFE

Year 5 Enrolment Mass

The Year 5 Enrolment Mass at 6pm this evening is the final opportunity to join this year's First Holy Communion Sacramental Preparation programme.

The Wednesday Word

This week's Wednesday Word is 'Happiness'. Please take some family time to read it. Please visit our Catholic Life > Catholic Life and Mission page.

[https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/catholic-life-and-mission](http://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/catholic-life-and-mission)

Pope Leo's Monthly Prayer Intention

Pope Leo's monthly prayer intention for January is for prayer with the Word of God. *Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.* Pope Leo XIV 2026. Pope Leo XIV's video is on Our Catholic Life > Prayer, Liturgy and Jubilee page:

[https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/prayer%2C-liturgy-%26-jubilee](http://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/prayer%2C-liturgy-%26-jubilee)

Catholic Pic

This month's Catholic Pic has a look back at the Jubilee Year of Hope and can be read on our Catholic Life > Our parishes and Archdiocese page or at:

[https://issuu.com/catholic_pic/docs/catholic_pic_january_2026](http://issuu.com/catholic_pic/docs/catholic_pic_january_2026)

30th January 2026

Mass Times

Regular Sunday Mass times for our churches are:
St Helen's: Sun 10am, 4pm
St Peter and Paul
Sat 5.45pm, Sun 10.30am
St Joseph's
Sat 6.30pm, Sun 11.15am

Diary Dates

February

Tue 3rd: 9.45am 1BC and 1L (surnames A-K) Candlemas liturgy
2.15pm 1D and 1L (surnames L-Z) Candlemas liturgy
Wed 4th: Walk in White
Thu 5th: 9am 2M Rejoice
9th-16th: Children's Mental Health Week
Tue 10th: 9am RFZ and 4B Rejoices
Safer Internet Day
Wed 11th: 9am 3C Rejoice
3.30pm-5pm Parents' Evening
Thu 12th: Y1 Maritime Museum School Visit
3.30pm-7pm Parents' Evening
Thu 12th, 19th: 3.45pm Y5 Sacramental Preparation – Eucharist Part 2
13th Our NSPCC/ Times Tables Rock Stars Number Day
25th-27th: Y6 Residential
26th: Y4 Chester Trip
27th: CAFOD Family Fast Day

March

Mon 2nd: 5pm PTA meeting
Thu 5th: 3.45pm Y5 Sacramental Preparation – Eucharist Part 2
Tue 24th: 9am 1D Rejoice
Wed 25th: 9am RMB Rejoice
Thu 26th: 9am 2B Rejoice
Y6 Music Trip
PTA Easter Egg Hunt
Fri 27th: 1.30pm End of term

April

13th: Children return
22nd: Earth Day
27th: 2M and 2WB Farm Trip
28th: 2B and 2HW Farm Trip

Attendance



95.7%

Walk in White

Next Wednesday 4th February, we shall once again be taking part in the Roy Castle Foundation Walk in White to support World Cancer Day. Children can wear an item of white clothing (eg school shirt) or an accessory with their usual uniform/PE kit. Classes will take turns to do laps of the field to support the charity and are invited to bring in a donation. There is more information here:

<https://roycastle.org/event/walk-in-white-for-world-cancer-day/>

NSPCC/ Times Tables Rock Stars Number Day

On Friday 13th February, we shall be holding our NSPCC/ Times Tables Rock Stars Number Day. Children will be encouraged to dress as rock stars and will take part in some fun events.

Fundraising

Last weekend, Kendall in Year 6 took part in a HYROX event in Amsterdam with a small team of family and friends. As well as running there were a number of challenging exercise stations - SkiErg, sled push, sled pull/drag, burpee broad jump/frogger jumps, rowing, farmer's carry, lunges, wall balls/squats. The team raised a fantastic amount £2,220 for the SANDS charity. Kendall is now training for an event in London. Sophie and Nancy in Year 6 along with Evie in Year 2 have been very busy raising money for the Whitechapel Centre in Liverpool. They have held three bake sales, two raffles, a lemonade stand and, sold bracelets and Valentine baskets. In total they have raised an amazing £131.87.

Nursery and Reception Children

Nursery and Reception children are requested to bring in spare clothes i.e. underwear, socks, tights – in case of accidents, and to bring back anything loaned from school if their child has had an accident. Thank you.

NHS Website

There are a number of seasonal illnesses around at the moment. Sefton Council have asked us to share this NHS guide for parents and carers. <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/> There is also a link on our Key Info > Attendance page.

School Lottery

Have you bought your school lottery tickets? They can be bought online by or following the link on our Parents/Carers > Letters page or here: <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/great-crosby-catholic-primary-school> There is a weekly prize as well as the £25,000 jackpot. Good luck!

Year of Reading

2026 is the National Year of Reading. This is a government initiative to encourage reading in all its forms. On the Our Learning > Love of Reading page on our website

<https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/love-of-reading> you can find out more about it, how you can help at home and see photos of our 'book nooks'. Each year group page under Our Learning has a reading booklet for parents/carers and link to recommended books. Please remember to fill in your child's reading diary. The <https://wordsforlife.org.uk/> also has good suggestions.

Attachment

This week's attachment is the updated National College poster about Roblox which has recently been in the news, and that we are aware many children use. Remember that there are lots of online safety guides and information on our Parents/Carers > Online Safety page.

<https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/online-safety-1>

