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This Week

Thank you to the Year 6 parents and carers who came to the SATs/ Winmarleigh information evening. The presentations are on the Our Learning > Year 6 page of the website: <https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/year-6>

Congratulations to Jasper in Year 5 who won two trophies at the Champions of Tomorrow Ballroom and Latin dance competition in Blackpool last weekend.



CATHOLIC LIFE

Prayer and liturgy

In Monday's Prayer and liturgy assemblies, we heard about Jesus's baptism in the River Jordan by John the Baptist.

Stay and Pray

Next Friday 23rd January at 8.45am to 8.55am is our next Stay and Pray with Fr John in the Studio, which can be accessed from the playground between Year 2 and Year 3. All families are very welcome.

Year 5 Enrolment Mass

The Year 5 Enrolment Mass at 6pm on Friday 30th January is the final opportunity to join this year's First Holy Communion Sacramental Preparation programme.

St Helen's Church

Please note that There is an additional weekly Mass at St Helen's Church at 4pm on Sundays.

CAFOD

Thank you for the donations made at the Nursery and Reception Nativities. A total of £348.41 was collected. Our CAFOD Club is making a list of suitable World Gifts to buy to help CAFOD's work.

The Wednesday Word

This week's Wednesday Word features the words 'Witness'. 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>

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>

16th January 2026

Mass Times

Regular Sunday Mass times for our churches are:

St Helen's: Sun 10am, 4pm
Ss Peter and Paul

Sat 5.45pm, Sun 10.30am
St Joseph's

Sat 6.30pm, Sun 11.15am

Diary Dates

January

Thu 22nd: 3.45pm Y5
Sacramental Preparation –
Eucharist Part 1

23rd: 8.45am Stay and Pray

Thu 29th: Y6 Plaza Trip

Fri 30th: 6pm Y5 Sacramental
Preparation – Mass of
Enrolment

February

Tue 3rd:

9.45am 1BC and 1L (surnames
A-K) Candlemas liturgy

2.15pm 1D and 1L (surnames
L-Z) Candlemas liturgy

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 to

PGL Winmarleigh

26th: Y4 Chester Trip

March

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 to the Philharmonic Hall

PTA Easter Egg Hunt

Fri 27th: 1.30pm End of term

April

13th: Children return

22nd: Earth Day

27th: 2M and 2WB Acorn Farm

28th: 2B and 2HW Acorn Farm

Attendance 95.9%

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.

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.

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.

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.

Reception Request for Phones

If anyone has any old mobile phones/old fashioned dial phones, please could Reception have them for their roleplay corners. Thank you.

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! Since the lottery started, £2025.50 has been given out in prize money to our supporters.

