



# Great Crosby Catholic Primary School

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## This Week

Tuesday was Walk in White for World Cancer Day to raise awareness for the Roy Castle Lung Cancer Foundation. All year groups took part in walking around the field. For more information visit <https://roycastle.org/events/walk-in-white-for-world-cancer-day/>

This week we are proud to have been awarded 'I Belong' accreditation by the National Centre for Computing Education for encouraging girls towards careers in computer science through our curriculum and teaching approaches.

## Children's Mental Health Week

This is Children's Mental Health Week. In their PSHE lessons, children have been doing activities on the theme of 'Know Yourself', 'Grow Yourself' using the *Inside Out 2* characters. Our Mental Health Champions have had some more training for helping children on the playground. The Wellbeing pages on our website have advice for parents/carers and children, and our newsletter attachment has tips from the Place2Be charity. Visit [www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/](http://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk/families/)

## CATHOLIC LIFE

### Prayer and liturgy celebrations

Year 1 celebrated their Candlemas liturgy beautifully with the school, parents and carers this week.

### Stay and Pray

The next Stay and Pray sessions are on Fri 28th Feb and Fri 28th Mar from 8.45am-9am in the studio. Everyone is welcome.

### Wednesday Word

The Wednesday Word is 'Follow'. Please take some time to read it on our Catholic Life > Catholic Life and Mission page.

<https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/catholic-life-and-mission>

### Pope Francis's monthly prayer intention

Pope Francis's monthly prayer intention for February is for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. *Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.* Pope Francis – February 2025 Find out more at <https://www.popesprayer.va/february-prayer-intention-2025/>

### Catholic Pic

The latest edition of the Catholic Pic can be read on our Parish and Archdiocese page or [https://issuu.com/catholic\\_pic/docs/catholic\\_pic\\_february\\_2025](https://issuu.com/catholic_pic/docs/catholic_pic_february_2025)

7<sup>th</sup> February 2025

### Mass Times

Regular Sunday Mass times for our churches are:

St Helen's: Sunday 10am  
Ss Peter & Paul  
Sat 5.45pm, Sun 10.30am  
St Joseph's  
Sat 6.30pm, Sun 11.15am

### Diary Dates

#### February

Tue 11<sup>th</sup>: Safer Internet Day & 9am RG Rejoice  
2.30pm-6.30pm 1C Parents Evening  
Wed 12<sup>th</sup>: 9am 3A Rejoice  
Thu 13<sup>th</sup>: 9am 2E Rejoice  
Fri 14<sup>th</sup>: NSPCC Number Day  
Mon 17<sup>th</sup> – Fri 21<sup>st</sup>  
Half Term Holiday  
Tue 18<sup>th</sup>: Jack Traynor Miracle Mass of Celebration  
Tue 25<sup>th</sup>: 3.30pm – 5pm  
Parents Evening  
Wed 26<sup>th</sup>: 3.30pm – 7pm  
Parents Evening  
Fri 28<sup>th</sup>: 8.45am Stay & Pray

#### March

Tue 11<sup>th</sup>: Y5/Y6 to Liverpool Philharmonic Hall  
Fri 21<sup>st</sup>: CAFOD Market Day and 6R and 6T Trip to Liverpool Cathedral  
Fri 28<sup>th</sup>: 8.45am Stay & Pray  
Mon 31<sup>st</sup> Mar - Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> Apr: Winmarleigh Residential

#### April

Wed 2<sup>nd</sup> – Y3 Play  
10am 3A & 3CL  
2.10pm 3C & 3MW

### Attendance



96.4%

### **Archdiocesan Celebration of the Miraculous Cure of John Traynor**

Following the announcement in December of the miraculous cure of John (Jack) Traynor, the Archdiocese of Liverpool will be celebrating this historic moment with Mass followed by a reception at the Cathedral on Tuesday at 7pm. Everyone is welcome.

### **Safer Internet Day**

Next Tuesday is Safer Internet Day. The theme is 'Too good to be true? Protecting yourself and others from scams.' During the week the children will take part in activities based around the theme. Our website has a wealth of information about online safety for parents and carers (Parents/Carers > Online Safety) and for children (Our Learning > Children's Online Safety). The newsletter attachment has some guides and links from the UK Safer Internet Centre, The National College and Parent Zone. Please take time to read it and have conversations with your children about what they do and see online. Please be vigilant about what your children are doing online and follow the guidelines for age-appropriate content and restrictions.

### **Eco Council Challenge**

The Eco Council met last week and talked about how we need to protect our world for future generations. We thought about the words in Pope Francis' letter 'Laudato Si' and how we all need to take care of, respect and value our 'common home'. We thought it would be a good idea to have an 'Eco Challenge' every week in school. Next week's challenge is a really simple one... SWITCH IT OFF! Children are encouraged to follow this at home too and will be checking with you about switching things off when they are not being used and not leaving devices on standby. Our Eco councilors are also planning the picture made of bottle tops and need more blue and green ones. Please save them and bring them to school.

### **NSPCC Number Day**

Our NSPCC Number Day is next Friday. We are planning a fun day of exciting maths activities. As part of Number Day, children are asked to wear an item of clothing with a number on it or to dress in a maths or numbers theme. EYFS and KS1 are also asked to find the longest carrot and KS2 are looking for the heaviest potato! To support the NSPCC, we suggest a donation of £2 per child or family. There will be a Times Table Rock Stars tournament between each year group. To find out more about the NSPCC and Number Day, please visit our Parents/Carers > Letters page and <https://www.nspcc.org.uk/support-us/events-fundraising/social-special-events/numberday>

### **Mrs Solkin Recommends...Sefton Family Hubs**

Our Learning Mentor, Mrs Solkin, recommends Sefton Family Hubs which have lots of good services on offer to support our families. View the timetable here <https://www.sefton.gov.uk/media/ns1gfcu5/jan-march-timetable-2.pdf> or on our Wellbeing > Learning Mentor Advice page.

### **Breakfast Club**

Please ensure that Breakfast Club payments are up-to-date. They are due in the first week of each month. Payments can be made by bank transfer, in vouchers or cash.

### **Fundraising**

Well done to Leisha, Sadie, Eliza and Maggie who raised £40 for Cancer Chicks by running a 'Spot the ball' football card competition.

### **Attachment**

This week's attachment has information and advice for Children's Mental Health Week and next Tuesday's Safer Internet Day and flyers for the Metropolitan Cathedral Mini Music Makers, St Luke's Players, Waterloo Hotshots Tennis Camp and Swimming lessons at Crosby Leisure Centre. All previous attachments are on our Parents/Carers > Letters page. <https://greatcrosbycatholicprimary.com/letters>