



**ST ETHELBERT'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY**  
*HIGH EXPECTATIONS FOR ALL, IN THE LIGHT OF CHRIST*

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**Latest Newsletter from Mr Marshall**

**Weekend Prayer for St Ethelbert's School Community**

**Loving God, we thank you for the gift of this new weekend and for the blessings of our school community at St Ethelbert's. Help us to rest in your presence and to recognise your love in our families, friends and daily lives. Guide our children as they continue to grow in wisdom and faith, our staff as they serve with patience and dedication, and our parents and carers as they support and nurture each child. May all that we do reflect your compassion, kindness and truth. We place our hopes, challenges and prayers into your hands, trusting in your care and guidance.**

**Through the example of St Ethelbert, may we learn to live with courage, faith and generosity of spirit.**

**We ask this through Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

Dear St Ethelbert's Community,

This week, you will have received a curriculum newsletter alongside this newsletter, for your child's year group, outlining what your child will be learning across the curriculum this term. We hope this provides a helpful overview of the topics, skills and experiences planned for the coming weeks. We encourage you to talk with your child about their learning, as children enjoy sharing what they are doing in school and these conversations help to support and reinforce their understanding. Further information about our curriculum can also be found on the school website under the *Curriculum* tab

<https://www.stethelbertsschool.co.uk/topic/curriculum>

God Bless





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**Attendance**

This is just to make you all aware that registration opens at 8.40am and learning starts straight away. Children will be reading, handwriting, correcting work from the day before, completing spellings or times tables. The gates are kept open until 8.50am for parents that have children on both sites. Let's make a fresh start in January. Our attendance overall is higher this time of year compared to last, which is great. We need to try and keep it that way as the year progresses.

**Study Smart UK – free online courses**

These courses are FULLY FUNDED (Free) to attend and specifically designed for parents and carers who are looking for a springboard into working in a school. Each course only takes 6 weeks to complete, with online sessions run ONLY in school hours and term times, to fit in around family life.

Our next course starts on Monday 2nd February. Places are limited and will be accepted on a first come first serve basis.

If you are interested please follow the link for more information and to book a place

<https://www.studysmartuk.online/>

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**STUDY SMART**  
Free Online Courses

Fully Funded Education Support Course  
Online LIVE Webinars  
6 Week Course  
Mon - Fri 9.30 - 11.30 & 12.30 - 2.00  
Support Session 4.00 - 4.30

**Starting Monday 2nd February**

Levels 1, 2 & 3 Available  
Accredited Awards & Certificates in:  
Prepare to Work in Schools  
Wellbeing  
Safeguarding & Prevent  
Occupational Studies  
Understanding Challenging Behaviours  
Principles of SEN

Aspire Education | Ofsted Gold Provider

**PTFA**

Please nominate our PTFA for the chance to win £1000 for our children/school.

They start each year with a clean slate - 2025 nominations are not carried over, so please nominate us again this year!

Thank you for your continued support.

[Click here](#)

**EVERY ENTRY  
COUNTS**



Please take one minute  
to nominate us  
for £1,000!





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**PTFA Meeting**

There will be a PTFA meeting on Tuesday, 20th January at 3.30pm. All are welcome to attend. If you are interested in joining the PTFA or have any questions please come along or email [ptfa@stethelbertsschool.co.uk](mailto:ptfa@stethelbertsschool.co.uk). Thank you for your continued support

| Children showing our school values this week |                                |        |                |   |
|--|--------------------------------|--------|----------------|---|
| Year Group                                   | Class Name/Saint Name          | Child  | Value          | Reason for Value  |
| Nursery                                      | United Kingdom<br>Saint George | June   | Knowledge      | Showing fantastic engagement during maths and using her fingers and other objects to count and recognise numbers! |
|  |                                | Olueze | Inclusion      | Settling into the Nursery very well for the first full week.  |
| Reception                                    | Poland<br>Saint Jadwiga        | Eliots | Knowledge      | Building a model of a Police boat when learning about people who help us  |
|  |                                | Aurora | Inclusion      | Always making sure other children are included in her games   |
| Year 1                                       | Romania<br>Saint Andrew        | James  | Knowledge      | His understanding of primary and secondary colours  |
|  |                                | Poppy  | Thoughtfulness | Comforting a friend who was sad and showing them ways to calm themselves  |





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| Year 2 | Hungary<br>Elizabeth of Hungary                               | John Paul | Thoughtfulness | Always being polite and helpful around the classroom                    |
|        |   | Riley     | Knowledge      | his recognition of equal groups and how to add them                     |
| Year 3 | Japan<br>Paulo Miki   | Poppy     | Thoughtfulness | Helping and talking through subtraction problem with other classmate    |
|        |   | Akorede   | Knowledge      | Sharing his thoughts about the functions of a Stone Age village         |
| Year 4 | Italy<br>Catherine of Siena                                   | Jessica   | Thoughtfulness | Always offering to help with jobs around the classroom                  |
|        |   | Carter    | Knowledge      | Hugely improving his TTRS heatmap                                       |
| Year 5 | India<br>Saint Mother of Teresa                               | Jevon     | Knowledge      | Creating a fantastic self-portrait in the style of Picasso              |
|        |   | Ronnie    | Inclusion      | Trying really hard to manage distractions around him and remain focused |
| Year 6 | France<br>Saint Vincent de Paul &<br>Saint Therese of Lisieux | Sienna    | Knowledge      | Putting extra effort in across all subjects!                            |
|        |   | Tommy     | Thoughtfulness | Always showing wonderful behaviour and thoughtfulness                   |





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**Well done!**

**Class Masses**

If you would like to join us for a class Mass then you are very welcome. Children lead the Mass with readings and bidding prayers.

| Date                      | Year Group attending Mass                        |
|---------------------------|--|
| 22nd January              | Year 4   |
| 29th January              | Year 3   |
| 5th February              | Year 2   |
| 12th February             | Year 5   |
|                           | Half Term  |
| 25th February (Wednesday) | Feast of St Ethelbert Whole School (Yr6 Leading) |
| 5th March                 | Year 4   |
| 12th March                | Year 3   |
| 19th March                | Year 2   |





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| 26th March | Year 6 |
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**Mass will be on Thursday mornings at 9.30am in St Ethelbert's church**



**[Attendance this academic year...](#)**

Class with No Lates: All classes had at least 1 late this week

**Our attendance policy states that we aim for a 100% attendance**

|  |       |
|--|-------|
| Reception                              | 97.2% |
| Year 1                                 | 95%   |
| Year 2                                 | 95.1% |
| Year 3                                 | 90.3% |
| Year 4                                 | 96.7% |
| Year 5                                 | 98.5% |
| Year 6                                 | 95%   |
| Whole School this week                 | 95.3% |
| Whole School academic year to date     | 95.3% |
| National Average academic year to date | 94.8% |

**PLEASE NOTE – IF YOU NEED TO CONTACT A MEMBER OF THE WRAPAROUND CARE STAFF AFTER 4PM  
THE NUMBER TO CALL IS **07400 170519****





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**DIARY DATES**

**2025/26**

**January 2026**

21st Young Voices at the O2

**February 2026**

9th Children's Mental Health Week - non-uniform on 13<sup>th</sup>

10<sup>th</sup> Safer Internet Day

13th Around the World Day

13th Sharing the Learning - parents invited in from 2.30pm

**13<sup>th</sup> END OF TERM 3 FOR CHILDREN**

17<sup>th</sup> Shrove Tuesday

18<sup>th</sup> Ash Wednesday

**23rd TERM 4 STARTS FOR CHILDREN**

25th St Ethelbert's Feast Day – whole school mass

