



**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**

**Prayer for Remembrance**

**Loving God, we thank You for the gift of memory— for all those who have gone before us, who have shared their love, their faith, and their courage. We remember especially those who gave their lives in the service of others and for the gift of peace. May their example inspire us to live with kindness, compassion, and hope. Lord, comfort all who mourn, and help us to cherish the memories of those we love. May we always strive to bring your light into the world, so that their legacy of love continues in us. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Dear St Ethelbert's Community,

This week, each class will be sending home a Curriculum Newsletter for Term 2. This newsletter outlines what your child will be learning in each subject area over the term, including English, Maths, Science, and the other exciting areas of our curriculum.

We encourage you to take some time to read through the Curriculum Newsletter with your child. It's a great way to start conversations about their learning—ask them what they have enjoyed so far, what they are curious about, or what new skills they are developing in class. Please remember to encourage your child to read at home; practise times tables, spellings and complete homework. Any problems then please message the teacher on Class Dojo and they will get back to you when they can.

We look forward to sharing all the wonderful learning happening this term!

God Bless

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**[Change to SEND Parents Evening](#)**

Please note that the SEND parents evening has been changed from **3<sup>rd</sup> December 2025** to **26<sup>th</sup> November 2025**.

**[Poppy Appeal 2025](#)**

This year St Ethelbert's will again be selling poppies to raise money for the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Mrs Cayley and our Year 6 Prefects will be selling poppies on the infant and junior school playgrounds at the end of the day. Poppies will be on sale from Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October until Tuesday morning 11<sup>th</sup> November. We will also have rulers, wristbands and reflective poppies for sale.



Thank you for your continued support

**[Christmas Card Project](#)**

The order form was sent home with the children last week. If you wish to purchase anything, please remember to place your order through the online shop by Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> November.

PTFA will receive 20% of every item sold, and the money raised will be used to enhance children's school experiences.

PTFA hopes that you will enjoy the unique creations made by your children.

If you have any problems or inquiries please email us at [ptfa@stethelbertsschool.co.uk](mailto:ptfa@stethelbertsschool.co.uk)



**[SEND](#)**

Please click [here](#) for the latest Kent County Council Newsletter for SEND. Here you will find the latest news on Children's mental health, KCC SEND progress to date and further general advice, guidance and support.

**[Kent Family Hubs](#)**

Please find attached a copy of the Kent Family Hub timetable from September to December 2025. The next Strengthening Families workshop to help reduce conflict between parents/carers is running on **16<sup>th</sup> October**





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**10:00am – 12:00pm at Birchington Family Hub.** For those that wish to attend please use the booking form via this link [Strengthening Family Relationships \(SFR\) Workshop - Reducing Parental Conflict](#)

Children showing our school values this week				
Year Group	Class Name/Saint Name	Child	Value	Reason for Value
Nursery	United Kingdom Saint George	Malachai	Knowledge	Showing fantastic engagement during every phonics session!
		Uthra	Inclusion	Settling into the Nursery and starting o follow the class rules and routines
Reception	Poland Saint Jadwiga	Adam	Knowledge	Trying really hard with his blending in phonics
		Aoife	Thoughtfulness	Supporting her friend who was worried about the flu spray
Year 1	Romania Saint Andrew	Zach	Knowledge	Using his maths skills to solve problems
		Oscar	Knowledge	Helping others and working hard during our DT lesson. Your great effort and teamwork made a big difference. Well done
Year 2	Hungary	Ralph	Knowledge	His wonderful writing to produce an acrostic poem





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	Elizabeth of Hungary	Isabella	Inclusion	Always trying to help others <sup>4</sup> in the classroom
Year 3	Japan Paulo Miki	Zuzanna	Knowledge	Improving her adjectives by using a Thesaurus
		Ella	Thoughtfulness	Encouraging and guiding her classmate to complete tasks
Year 4	Italy Catherine of Siena	Riley	Knowledge	Developing his persuasive writing skills in English
		Kirk	Knowledge	Showing good resilience in maths when exploring number facts linked to the 6 times table
Year 5	India Saint Mother of Teresa	Maisie	Thoughtfulness	Showing kindness when we had the flu vaccine
		Chika	Knowledge	Telling the story of God's covenant with Abraham
Year 6	France Saint Vincent de Paul & Saint Therese of Lisieux	Phoebe	Knowledge	Working super hard on her division in maths! 😊
		Eve	Inclusion	Showing enthusiasm and getting other children involved in class!





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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
13 November	Year 2
20 November	Year 6
27 November	Year 5
4 December	Year 4
11 December	Year 3
18 December	KS2 Carol Service

**Mass will be on Thursday mornings at 9.30am in St Ethelbert's church**





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

Class with No Lates: Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5

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

Reception	99.6%
Year 1	98.6%
Year 2	94.3%
Year 3	91.9%
Year 4	93.9%
Year 5	89.6%
Year 6	95.5%
Whole School this week	94.8%
Whole School academic year to date	96.03%
National Average academic year to date	92.8%

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

**DIARY DATES**

**2025/26**





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**November 2025**

11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance – 2 minutes silence  
10<sup>th</sup>– 14<sup>th</sup> Anti-bullying week  
14<sup>th</sup> Children in Need – Non-uniform  
18<sup>th</sup> Times Table Rockstars Day - dress up  
26<sup>th</sup> SEN parents evening  
30<sup>th</sup> St Andrew's Day

**December 2025**

1<sup>st</sup> Christmas Tree and hoops up  
3<sup>rd</sup> PTFA Christmas Gift Wrap  
3<sup>rd</sup> PTFA Christmas Disco – 3.20pm-4.30pm  
9<sup>th</sup> Panto –Marlowe Canterbury Years 3-6  
12<sup>th</sup> PTFA Christmas Fair (outside)  
15<sup>th</sup> Nursery Christmas Concert 11:00am  
15<sup>th</sup> Nativity Play (Reception) 2.15pm  
16<sup>th</sup> Carol Concert (Juniors) 2.00pm & 6.30pm  
16<sup>th</sup> Granville Theatre Panto for YN- Y2  
17<sup>th</sup> Nativity Play (Y1 & Y2) 9.15am & 2:15pm  
17<sup>th</sup> Christmas Dinner Day & Christmas Jumpers  
19<sup>th</sup> Benediction - 1.15pm  
**19<sup>th</sup> END OF TERM 2**

