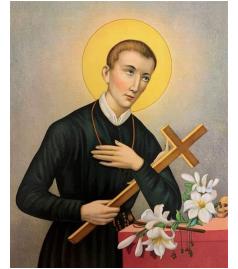


St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter Week 38

10th July 2026



Message from Mrs Baxter

As we prepare for the final days of another wonderful school year, there is still so much to look forward to. It promises to be a busy and memorable week as we celebrate all that our children have achieved and enjoy our final events together before the summer holidays. today, we also say goodbye to Mr Frost, who leaves St. Gerard's after successfully completing his teacher training with us. We would like to thank Chris for his dedication, enthusiasm and commitment to our children throughout the year. He has made a positive contribution to school life, and we are grateful for all he has done for the St. Gerard's community. We are delighted that Chris has secured a teaching position at Hill Top School in Doncaster. We wish him every success as he begins this exciting new chapter in his teaching career. We know he has a bright future ahead, and we thank him once again for everything he has done for our children. Good luck, Chris—you will always be part of the St. Gerard's family!

School will close at 1.30pm on Tuesday 21st July

Diary Dates

14-15.7.26 Matilda the Musical
16.7.26 Year 6 Leavers Party
20.7.26 Year 6 Graduation 1.30pm
21.7.26 Leavers Mass 10.00am

Happy Birthday

A very Happy 'Special Birthday' to the very wonderful Mrs Newey (School Cook) and Mrs Cowell (Finance and operations) who celebrate their special Birthdays this weekend. Thank you for all that you do for our St. Gerard's Family, have a brilliant weekend!

Next School Mass

There will be NO school mass
on Tuesday 14th July at
10.00am



St. Ged's Fest –Thank You!

A huge thank you to the Friends of St. Gerard's for organising another fantastic St. Ged's Fest. We are incredibly grateful to everyone who gave their time to help make the event such a success – from those who organised activities behind the scenes, served refreshments, manned the stalls and helped with the many jobs throughout the day.

Special thanks go to Simon Thompson, Reverb and the talented Cast of *Matilda* for providing wonderful entertainment and creating such a fantastic atmosphere. We are also extremely grateful to Hilary and Mark Massarella for generously providing the delicious ice cream, and to DB Entertainment for their outstanding generosity in supplying the sound system and inflatables. Most importantly, thank you to all the families, friends and members of our parish community who attended and supported the event. Together, we raised an amazing **£2,700** for our school. We are truly blessed to be part of such a caring and supportive school family.

Transition Days

This week, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, our children took part in their Transition Days as they spent time in their new classrooms with their new teachers and classmates. It was wonderful to see how quickly the children settled into their new year groups, embracing the opportunity with confidence, enthusiasm and plenty of smiles. We were also delighted to welcome our new Foundation Stage 2 (F2) families to St. Gerard's. It was lovely to see our newest pupils beginning their journey with us, and we look forward to watching them grow, learn and flourish as part of our school community. A big thank you to our staff, pupils and families for helping to make the transition so positive and successful. We hope everyone enjoys a well-deserved summer break and returns in September ready for another exciting year of learning.

Warm Weather Reminder

With warmer weather expected, please ensure children come to school prepared for the sunshine. We kindly ask that all pupils bring a **sun hat and a named water bottle** each day. **Please also apply sunscreen before school** and encourage children to stay hydrated throughout the day.

Our School places available

From September 2026 we will have school places available in Year 1 and Year 2. Please spread the word to family and friends and we would be more than happy to arrange a tour of our wonderful School.
Exciting times ahead!

Matilda Tickets

Tickets are now on Sale from the school Office!