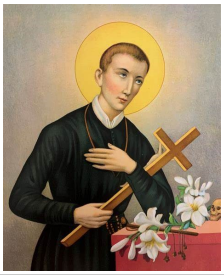
St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter Week 11

20th November 2026



Message from Mrs Baxter

It has been another busy and exciting week in school, with lots of wonderful learning opportunities for our children.

This week, the children have taken part in **Anti-Bullying Week 2027**, exploring the importance of kindness, respect and friendship. Through a range of activities and discussions, we have reminded ourselves that everyone deserves to feel safe, valued and included. We continue to encourage our children to live out our Gospel values by treating others with compassion and care.

As we look ahead, we will soon be entering the beautiful season of **Advent**. As Catholics, Advent is a special time when we prepare our hearts for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. It is a season of hope, peace, joy and love, and an opportunity for us to pause, reflect and think about how we can bring the light of Christ to others through our words and actions.

Diary Dates

27.11.26: Christmas Fayre No wrap around on this day
28.11.26: Modular Building delivered
1.12.26: FS2 Family Learning **Full** if not booked on
1.12.26 : Class 3 Nativity 1.30pm and 5.00pm
3.12.26: Whole school visit to the Pantomime
8.12.26: Swimming Session 1 Year 4
8.12.26 : Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity
9.12.26: Year 1 and Year 2 Nativity
10.12.26: The Hive Nativity
11.12.26: I Rock Concert 9.00am
11.12.26: Key stage 2 Christmas Concert 1.30pm
12.12.26: GIFT
14.12..26: Grandparents Party 10.00am and 1.30pm
15.12.26: F2/Yr1/Yr2 Christmas Party
16.12.26: Christmas Dinner
16.12.26: Class 3, 4 and 5 Christmas Party 2.00pm-4.00pm
17.12.26: Carols in the cemetery
17.12.26: School Closes for Christmas 1.30pm
18.12.26: Training Day

Next School Mass

Our next school Mass will be held on Tuesday 24th November 2026 at 10.00am

We will be blessing the Advent Wreaths



Christmas Fayre – Friday 27th November 3.30pm– 6.00pm

Come along and get into the festive spirit with an afternoon of Christmas fun and excitement! There will be delicious **hot roast pork sandwiches and hot dogs** available to purchase, along with a **tombola, Chocolate Bingo** and lots of festive cheer! We may even have a **very special visitor** joining us! Please remember that **all children must be accompanied by a responsible adult** throughout the event.

We look forward to welcoming you all and celebrating the start of the festive season together!

Polite Reminder – Parking Near the Church We kindly ask that you refrain from parking in the back lane near the church when dropping off or collecting your children. Unfortunately, parked vehicles have been blocking access for local residents, causing considerable inconvenience. This week, the refuse collection lorry was also unable to access the lane, meaning residents' bins could not be emptied. Please be considerate of our neighbour's and ensure that the lane is kept clear at all times to allow residents and essential service vehicles to gain access. Thank you for your understanding, cooperation and continued support in helping us maintain positive relationships with our local community.

Road Safety Assembly

On Wednesday, we also enjoyed a special **Road Safety Assembly**, where the children learned important messages about keeping themselves safe when walking near roads and crossing safely. This was a valuable reminder of how we can all take responsibility for keeping ourselves and others safe.

Our new Classroom

Our new Classroom will be delivered on Saturday 28th November. F2 visited the building site today to watch the diggers and say thank you to all the builders who have worked so hard.

This weeks special mentions

Golden Stars: Judd, Egypt, Luis, Ronnie, Asher, Cassius, Violet, Gracy, Thomas and Elissa
Achievement Award: George S, Finley B, Ruben B, Ava D-M, Jasmine and Class 3
Sports Achievements: Cillian, Emily A, Hollie, River and Arinze
Birthdays: Quinn, Asher, Joey and Stella

Mini Vinnie's

Mini Vinnie's kindly ask for donations for their Christmas hampers e.g. food, toiletries or gift sets. Please send to Mrs Ellison. Thank you in advance