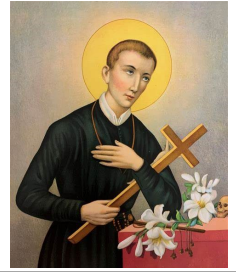


St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter Week 1

4th September 2026



Message from Mrs Baxter

A very warm welcome back to the new school year, it really is so wonderful to see all the children back at school. Welcome to all our new children and families. I do hope that the Summer Holiday has given you all time to spend some quality time as a family and enjoy your precious children. A big thank you to all the staff for all their hard work throughout the summer, especially Mr Harrison and Miss Smith who have worked tirelessly. We ask God's blessings for a healthy and happy school year ahead.

Thank you to Father Desmond who celebrated Mass with our school family today– a perfect way to begin the school year.

Diary Dates

12.9.26: GIFT session 2.00-4.00pm
17.9.26 Yorkshire Mad Science assembly
18.9.26 Rotherham Day– More details to follow!
21.9.26: Year 6 Bikeability
22.9.26: Flu immunisation
1.10.26 : Little City of play FS2 and Year 1
5.10.26: Crucial Crew Year 6
10.10.26 GIFT session 2-4pm
12.10.26: Eden Camp Year 6
15.10.26: School Photos
22.10.26: Year 2 National Emergency Service Museum visit
23.10.26: School Closes for half term
We will update the school calendar

Next School Mass

Our next school mass will be held on Tuesday 29th September at 10.00am



School Councillors

The school council play a vital role in helping shape our school community. Each class will choose their school councillors next week .

Could the children who wish to be nominated prepare a short speech answering '**Why would you make a good school councillor?**'

GIFT Team

We will once again be asking for Children to nominate themselves to be a GIFT team member. GIFT is: Growing in Faith Together. These children play a vital role in ensuring the Jesus is alive in all we do and say.

Sports Leaders

At St. Gerard's we are always looking for new ways to make sure we all stay fit and healthy. Our Sports leaders will be working alongside Mrs Sharp and Mr Wallace organising events and developing our PE curriculum. Please see Mr Wallace for an application form.

Congratulations Mr and Mrs Parkes

Congratulations to the newly married Mrs Parkes who married Will on 1st August . May God bless you Lizzie and Will and your beautiful children Mia and Jimmy.

Parking

We do ask that Parents do not drop off/pick up at the side of the school reception. We also ask that once your child has been dropped off/collected that you leave to make space for other cars. Thank you for your understanding.

Reminders

Please ensure ALL items of clothing are labelled with your child's name.
Children should bring a coat everyday, we access outdoor learning in all weathers.
Every child must bring a water bottle to school each day.
Only small stud earrings are allowed at school and not on PE days.

The School Day

Key Stage One children begin the school day at 8.30am and finish at 3pm

Key Stage Two children begin the school day at 8.45am and finish at 3.15pm.