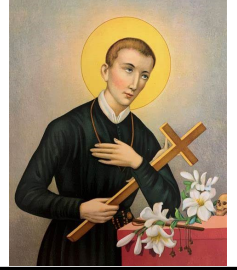


St Gerard's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter Week 1

5th September 2025



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 Watts and Mrs Smith who have worked tirelessly. We ask God's blessings for a healthy and happy school year ahead. **Please see attached letter for PE and Afterschool timetable.**

Virtues to live By: Our first Virtue which we will be exploring with the children will be Love of Learning

Monday Morning Prayer

Every Monday morning we invite children and parents to begin the week in prayer and join staff over in church from 8.15-8.30. Please do join us if you can!

Diary Dates

22.9.25 Recycling Week

30.9.25 Year 6 Crucial Crew

30.9.25 Parent Alpha Course

3.10.25 INSET Day School Closed

6.10.25-8.10.25 Year 6 Bikeability

6.10.25 Year 5 STEM trip to Magna

21.10.25 School Photographer

24.10.25 Break up for Half term

There will be more dates added throughout the term.

Next School Mass

Our first school Mass of the academic year will be on Monday 8th 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. If your child wants to be considered for this role please ask for an application form.

RIP Mrs Shanahan

We were sad to hear that the Former Deputy Headteacher Mrs Peggy Shanahan died over the Summer Holidays. Peggy was so loved by all past and present members of the St. Gerard's Family. She loved St. Gerard's and most definitely put Jesus at the heart of our wonderful school. Please keep the Shanahan Family in your prayers.

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.

This weeks special mentions

Golden Stars; Lydia, Annie, Dan & George, Teddy, Stella & Iris
Achievement Award; Jessie, Aurora, Class 3, Leonard & Lincoln
Sports Achievements; Finn
Birthdays; Iris, Lincoln & Jaya

Congratulations

Over the Summer Holidays Mr Wallace got engaged to Hannah!
The whole of the St. Gerard's Family send their love and best wishes.