



# St John the Baptist RC Primary

## Preparing the Way

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### 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026 Important Dates

**27<sup>th</sup> April**  
Bug Buster  
sessions Year 5  
and 6

**30<sup>th</sup> April**  
Sacramental  
Programme  
Celebration of the  
Word 6.30pm at  
St Mary's church

**1<sup>st</sup> May**  
Year 6 leavers  
photo and teams  
photographs

**4<sup>th</sup> May**  
Bank Holiday –  
School closed

**7<sup>th</sup> May**  
Voting day

**11<sup>th</sup> May**  
Class 7 will be  
completing their  
SATs test this  
week

### Sunday's Gospel

"I came that they may have life and  
have it abundantly."

John 10:10

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### Times Table Rockstars



Class 5 have the best participation this  
week with 100% of each class playing.

Most played this week: Class 3 –  
Azaad, Class 4 – Joseph, Class 5-  
Eshaan, Class 6 – Jaden K and Class 7 –  
Jessica

Our top performers this week are:

1. Eshaan
2. Jasim
3. Yusuf

Well done to Jasim who has achieved  
Rock Hero status this week!

### Sacramental Programme

The next event for our pupils who are  
completing the Sacramental Program  
this year is the Celebration of the  
Word on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> April at St  
Mary's RC church on Yorkshire Street.  
The service begins at 6.30pm. It is  
essential that all children on the  
Sacramental Program attend this  
service.

### Reading Challenge

Congratulations to our Reading Challenge  
Silver Award winners in Class 3: Gracie and  
Mason T.

### Arbor

As you are aware, we have changed our  
school communications to Arbor from  
ParentPay. Please can you ensure that you  
have activated the Arbor App and have set  
your notifications to 'on' so that you receive  
all communications from school. If you have  
any issues, please contact the school office.

### Leavers' Photograph

Our school photographer will be in school  
on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May to take a group photo of  
Class 7 to commemorate their time St  
John's.

### Caritas St Joseph's Penny Collection

Thank you for the generous donations to our  
Lenten St Joseph's Penny Collection. In total  
we raised £86. Caritas supports families in  
the Salford Diocese and your donations are  
much appreciated.

### Bug Busters

Classes 6 and 7 will be taking part in a Bug  
Busters session with Lancashire Infection  
Protection Team. They will be looking at  
how infects are spread and ways to remain  
healthy.

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### Class 7 SATS and Transition

Class 7 will be completing their SATs during the week commencing 11<sup>th</sup> May. Please see separate information leaflet and letter.

Burnley Family Hub are running a transition group at the Zone in Burnley Centre. Please see attached poster.

### Uniform

As the weather improves, pupils will be spending more time on the grass. Please can you ensure your child's school jumper or cardigan is labelled with their name and class so lost items can be reunited with their owners

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### School Cycled Plastic Bottle Top Collection

Thank you for support for our School Cycled we have now collected enough bottle tops to qualify for a school planter which Mrs Cassidy and our school GIFT team will be planting up this term. Please continue to send your plastic bottle tops into school.

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### This week's winners

	Class Winners	Reader of the Week	Writer of the Week
Class 1	Isabella	Phoebe	River
Class 2	Qaswa	Millie	Ali
Class 3	Leo L	Isabella	Danial
Class 4	Ryder	Evan	Hallie
Class 5	Daisy	Minal	Olivia A
Class 6	Lucy	Celestine	Jayden G
Class 7	Aaryaan	Noah G	Keegan

**Faith Life Winners:** Matteo Class 2

**St John's Superstar:** KS1 Thea Class 2 KS 2 Olivia Class 4

**Attendance:** Class 4

### Phonics

Next week's phonics learning:

#### Class 1

Sound	As in
oy	toy, boy, enjoy
ir	bird, dirt, shirt, third
ue	blue, clue, true, glue
aw	fawn, lawn, claw, draw



#### Class 2

During this term Class 2 will be preparing for their Phonics Screening Check by revisiting and revising all Phase 3, 4 and 5 sounds. Please see separate letter.

Please contact your child's class teacher if you have any questions regarding our phonics scheme.

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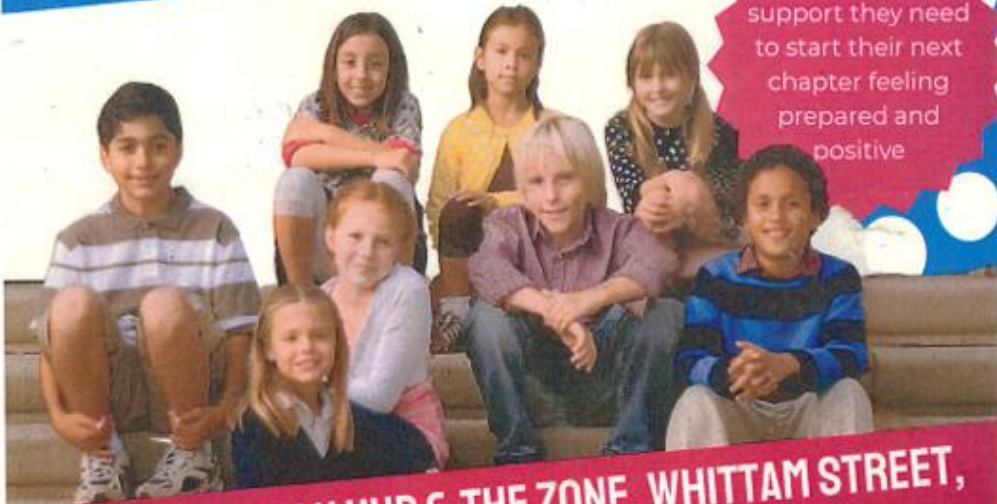
## STEP UP TRANSITIONS GROUP

PRIMARY SCHOOL  
YEAR 5 & 6

TUESDAY'S  
3:30PM TILL 5:30PM

- BUILD CONFIDENCE
- EXPLORE PRACTICAL SKILLS FOR A SMOOTH TRANSITION
- GET READY FOR THE CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES OF HIGH SCHOOL

Give your child the support they need to start their next chapter feeling prepared and positive



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