



# St John the Baptist RC Primary

## Preparing the Way

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**8<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

**11<sup>th</sup> May**

Class 7 will be completing their SATs test this week

Mental Health Week

**14<sup>th</sup> May**

Ascension Day  
Mass in school at 1.15pm

Joe Wicks online work out for Mental Health Week

**18<sup>th</sup> May**

New reception September 2026 parents' information sessions

**19<sup>th</sup> May**

Burnley school Maths Challenge Final

### Sunday's Gospel

"In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you."

John 14:20

### Times Table Rockstars



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

Most played this week: Class 3 – Isabella, Class 4 – Dev, Class 5- Ralph, Class 6 – Jaden and Class 7 – George  
Our top performers this week are:

1. Joseph Class 4
2. George Class 7
3. Ralph Class 5

### KS2 SATs

Good luck to Class 7 who are completing their SATs test next week. Free healthy breakfast will be available in class for Class 7 during SATs week from 8:35am onwards.

### Online safety

With this newsletter you should receive our May parental online safety newsletter. It contains practical advice about keeping your child safe online. This month's focus is group chats and updated advice about keeping safe on Roblox.

You will also receive information from Burnley council about online misinformation.

### Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Elizah and Hanna in Class 3 who have achieved their Silver Reading Challenge Award.

### 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 labeled with their name and class so lost items can be reunited with their owners

### Faith News

We will be celebrating Mass on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> May in the school hall at 1:15pm to mark the Feast of the Ascension. Parents and carers are welcome to join us.

May is a busy month in the Church's year. Please see the attached newsletter with more information:

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

### Year 3/4 Cross Country

Members of our Year 3 and 4 Cross Country team will be in action on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> May at Towneley Park. Good luck to those involved.

### Foundation Governors

Romero Trust are looking for Foundation Governors to join schools governing bodies within our Trust. Please see attached poster.

## Rosary Club

May is the month dedicated to Mary, the mother of God. As part of our devotions to Our Lady, we will be saying a decade of the Rosary each Friday morning in May at 8:35am at the Sacred Space. Parents and carers are most welcome to join us.



## No Mow May

You may notice in the next few weeks some area of the school grounds will be left unmown. This is part of our commitment to Laudato Si. By leaving some parts uncut, we aim to encourage bees, butterflies and other insects. Please see the attached poster.

Please follow the link to the No Mow May website for more information:

<https://www.plantlife.org.uk/campaigns/nomowmay/>

## Arbor

As you are aware, we have changed our school communications to Arbor from ParentPay. Please can you ensure that you have activated 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.

## This week's winners

	<b>Class Winners</b>	<b>Reader of the Week</b>	<b>Writer of the Week</b>
Class 1	Daisy	Agam	Elijah
Class 2	Bella	Francesca	Ava
Class 3	Tilly	Azaad	Asim
Class 4	Xander	Freddie	Felix
Class 5	Nihal	Eryk	Ruby
Class 6	Abhishek	Anthony	Kelly
Class 7	Hareerah	Loula	Aarya

**Faith Life Winners:** James Class 7

**St John's Superstar:** KS1 Danial Class 3 KS 2 Anthony Class 6

**Attendance:** Class 3

## Phonics

Next week's phonics learning:

### Class 1

Sound	<i>As in</i>
au	<i>launch, haunt, August, daunt</i>
ey	<i>key, donkey, trolley, hockey</i>
a-e	<i>cake, lake, plate, game</i>
e-e	<i>compete, athlete, concrete, delete</i>

### 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.



# COULD YOU BE A TRUST BOARD DIRECTOR?

We're looking for local professionals to join  
our Trust Board

Could you help ensure that our Trust is:

- well-led
- financially secure
- legally compliant
- focused on serving children and families through high-quality education.

What we would need from you:

- commitment to our mission
- willingness to attend meetings and training
- passion for improving local education

We welcome applications from people of all background and faiths.  
Experience in finance, law, HR, education, estates or safeguarding is  
especially valuable.

**If you're interested, please contact:**

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