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NEWSLETTER

19th June 2026

DIARY DATES

Weekly Mass: Sacred Heart and St John Bosco Church - 9:30am every Sunday.

Monday 22nd June - Year 6 Youth Village music festival

Wednesday 24th June - Year 5 trip to Jarrow Hall

Monday 29th June - Year 5 & 6 Roker Beach trip

Friday 3rd July - INSET Day (school closed)

Monday 6th July to Thursday 9th July - Year 5 Bikeability

Monday 6th July - Year 1 Teddy-bear Olympics at St Anthony's 9:30-12:30

Tuesday 7th July - Year 2 Teddy-bear Olympics at St Anthony's 9:30-12:30

Wednesday 8th July - Year 6 Colour run at Hetton Lyons 12:30-3:00pm

Thursday 9th July - Year 6 Leavers Assembly 2pm

Friday 10th July - Sport's Day (EYFS and KS1 AM - KS2 PM)

Tuesday 14th July - EYFS End of year celebration (Teddy bears picnic with parents) PM

Thursday 16th July - Year 6 Leavers Mass

Friday 17th July - End of summer term 1pm finish

ATTENDANCE

**THIS WEEK'S
*attendance***

95%

As of September 2024, no holidays will be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances. Any holiday over 5 days will also be subject to a referral for a penalty notice. Lateness and absences must now be closely monitored too. There have been a number of children being collected early - please note that we are required to see a letter, email or text as proof of appointments.

Message from the office

Monies owed for school lunches: £603

Monies owed for Breakfast Club: £369

Please settle any outstanding balances ASAP. Thank you.



Free school meal changes

What is changing?

From September 2026, all children whose families receive Universal Credit will be entitled to Free School Meals. The system will now have two categories depending on household income.

Targeted Free School Meals: For families receiving Universal Credit with yearly household earnings of £7,400 or less. Children in this group will continue to receive additional support such as extended school travel assistance (where applicable).

Expanded Free School Meals: For families receiving Universal Credit with earnings above £7,400. Children in this group will still receive a Free School Meal each day. If your child currently accesses extended school travel assistance this will continue for the academic year 2026/27.

You can find information, advice and support by visiting the 'Managing your money' pages on the Sunderland City Council website.

<https://www.sunderland.gov.uk/managingyourmoney>

You will have received a separate email about this on Wednesday!



Bishop Chadwick Catholic Education Trust

End of Year Parent Survey

Parent Survey

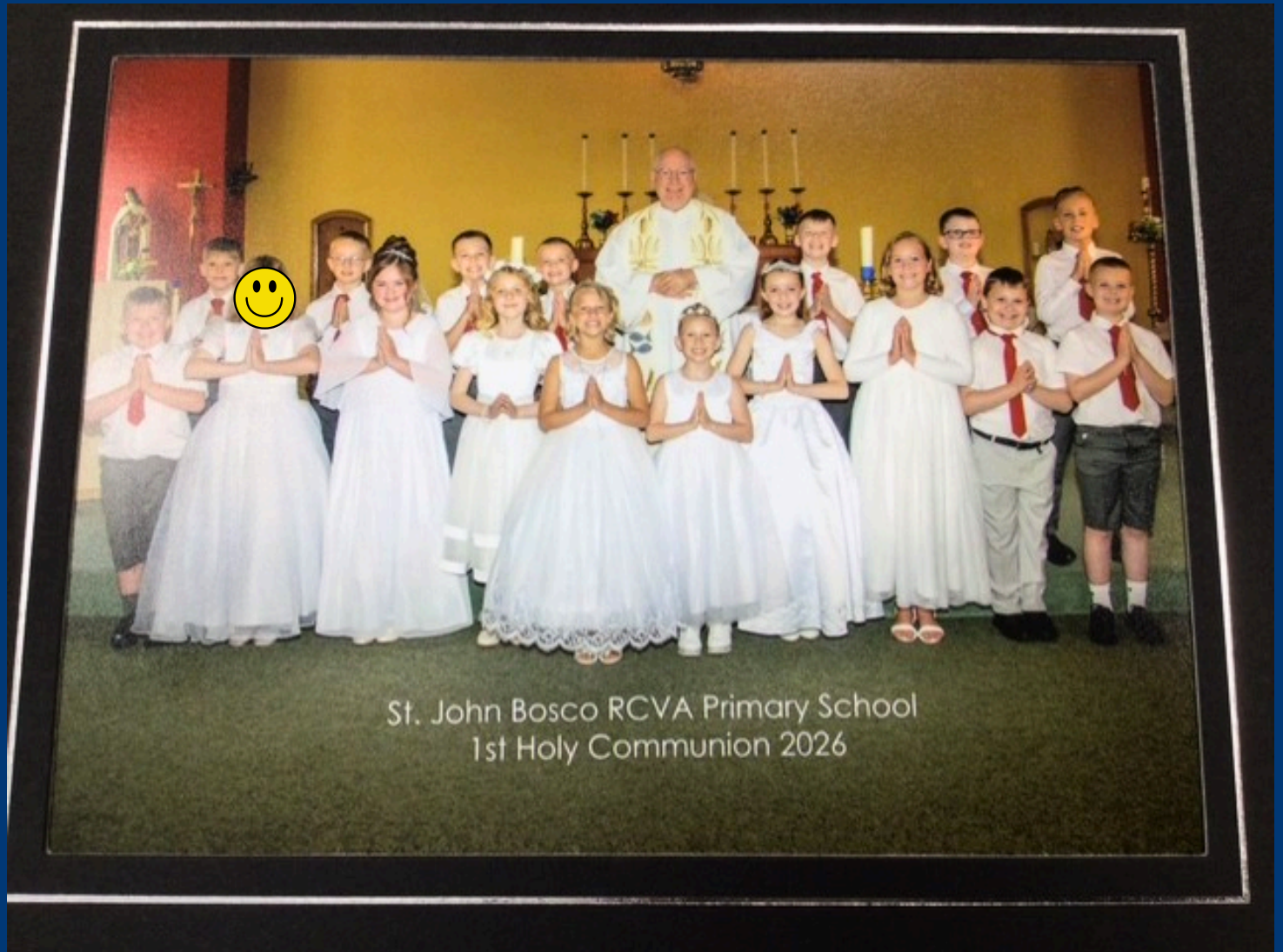


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**Please take the time to fill in this short survey.
Thanks in advance!**

Holy Communion - Saturday June 13th



Congratulations the the Year 4 children who made their First Holy Communion last Saturday. It was a wonderful occasion. Thank you for supporting your child's faith journey!



Open evening dates for next year's Year 6 children



Bishop Chadwick
Catholic Education Trust



www.bccet.org.uk
enquiries@bccet.org.uk

staidanscatholicacademy.co.uk



Open Evenings



St. Aidan's Catholic Academy, Sunderland, SR2 7HJ
Year 6 Open Evening: 6.00 - 8.00 pm Tuesday 15 September 2026

st-anthonys-academy.com



St. Anthony's Girls Catholic Academy, Sunderland, SR2 7JN
Year 6 Open Evening: 4.30 - 6.30 pm Thursday 24 September 2026



st-bedes.org



St. Bede's Catholic School & Byron 6th Form, Peterlee, SR8 1DE
Year 6 Open Evening: 5.00 - 7.00 pm Thursday 17 September 2026

stjosephs.uk.net



St. Joseph's Catholic Academy, Hebburn, NE31 2ET
Year 6 Open Evening: 5.00 - 7.00 pm Thursday 24 September 2026



st-wilfrids.org



St. Wilfrid's R.C. College, South Shields, NE34 0QA
Year 6 Open Evening: 4.00 - 6.00 pm Thursday 1 October 2026



Staffing 2026-27



ST JOHN BOSCO PRIMARY SCHOOL

STAFFING

2026 - 2027

EYFS	Nursery Reception	Mrs Adams Mrs Grady Miss Kelly Miss Mills	EYFS Leader Class Teacher Nursery Nurse Nursery Nurse
Year 1		Miss Robertson Mrs Clark	Class Teacher TA
Year 2		Mrs Gray Mr Roddy Mrs Harrison	Class Teacher Class Teacher TA
Year 3		Mr Pickering Mrs Mckillion	Class Teacher TA
Year 4		Mr Bailes Mrs Elliott	Class Teacher TA
Year 5		Mrs Joyce Mrs Brettle	Class Teacher TA
Year 6		Mrs Collins Mrs Miller	Class Teacher TA

Transition days for all classes will be held on Wednesday July 1st, giving children an opportunity to meet their new teachers and spend time in their new classrooms.





Every Day Counts: Why School Attendance Matters

Regular attendance is essential for children's learning, confidence, and friendships. Missing school doesn't just mean missing lessons - it can affect a child's progress, wellbeing, and future opportunities.

The Impact of Poor Attendance

abc Falling Behind in Learning

Children who miss lessons often struggle to keep up, especially in reading, writing, and maths.

👉 Friendships & Confidence

Frequent absences can make it harder for children to build friendships and feel part of the class.

📉 Lower Achievement

Even small gaps in attendance can add up, affecting overall progress and attainment.

❤️ Routine Disruption

Regular attendance helps children develop good habits that support success later in life.

How Parents Can Help

- ✓ Establish a daily routine (bedtime & mornings)
- ✓ Encourage a positive attitude to school
- ✓ Avoid holidays during term time
- ✓ Speak to school early if there are concerns
- ✓ Ensure children arrive on time, every day

We're Here to Help

If your child is struggling with attendance, please talk to us.

We can support with:

- Emotional wellbeing
- Attendance plans
- Family support services

Contact:

📞 **School Office: 0191 5368090**

✉️ **Email: office@stjohnboscosunderland.org.uk**

DID YOU KNOW?

Missing 1 day a week = 80% attendance.

Over a year, this equals nearly 40 days of lost learning
That's almost 8 full school weeks!



Good attendance = better learning, stronger friendships, and brighter futures.

Sunny Weather School Tips for Parents

Apply Sun Cream Before School

Use a sunscreen (SPF 30 or higher).

Apply it at least 15–20 minutes before leaving home so it can fully absorb.

If possible, provide a labelled bottle for school so children can reapply during the day, especially after outdoor activities.

Send a Sun Hat or Cap

A wide-brimmed sun hat offers the best protection, but a cap is still helpful.

Hats protect the face, scalp, and neck, reducing the risk of sunburn and overheating.

Provide a Reusable Water Bottle

Staying hydrated is essential in warm weather.

Send a full, refillable water bottle every day.

Encourage your child to drink regularly, even if they don't feel very thirsty.

Dress Them in Suitable Clothing

Choose lightweight, breathable fabrics like cotton.

Light-coloured clothing helps reflect heat.

If allowed, opt for looser-fitting clothes to keep your child cool.

Talk About Sun Safety

Remind your child to:

Stay in shaded areas when possible

Wear their hat outdoors

Drink water regularly



Stars of the week!



Reading Award



TT Rockstar!

Arbor Parent Portal

Arbor lets you book parent/guardian consultation slots, check attendance, register your child for clubs and trips etc.

In autumn, we plan to start using additional features like paying for lunches etc. Gradually, we will transition away from ParentPay which we currently use for accepting lunch money.

We will inform you in advance when we make the switch.

Can we please ask that you do not add any funds to your Arbor account for school lunches at the moment.

If you have made a payment in error, please contact the school office for advice: 0191 5368090



Arbor

READING MATTERS!

HERE'S THE IMPACT OF READING 20 MINUTES PER DAY!

A STUDENT WHO READS



WILL BE EXPOSED TO



AND IS MORE LIKELY TO SCORE IN THE



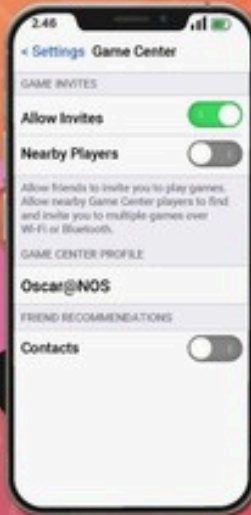
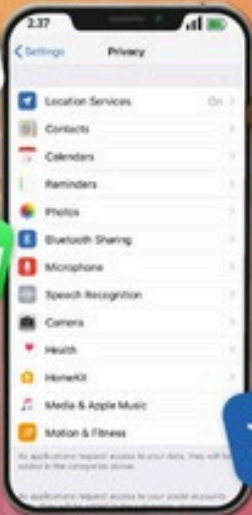
ON STANDARDIZED TESTS!



At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one issue of many which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

How to Set up PARENTAL CONTROLS for APPS iPhone

Apple devices come with built-in apps already available: Mail, FaceTime and Safari, for example. However, you can choose which apps and features appear on your child's device and which ones don't. You can also manipulate the features in Game Centre to enhance your child's safety and privacy when playing games, as well as blocking iTunes or App Store purchases if you wish.



How to Restrict Built-in Apps/Features

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Allowed Apps (you may need to toggle this to 'on' at the top)
- 5 Enable or disable the apps you wish to appear (or disappear) on your child's device

How to Restrict Game Centre

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap Content Restrictions (you may need to switch the toggle at the top to the 'on' position)
- 5 Scroll down to Game Centre
- 6 Choose between Allow, Don't Allow, or Allow with Friends Only in the settings for each feature

How to Restrict iTunes & App Store Purchases

- 1 Open Settings
- 2 Tap Screen Time
- 3 Tap Content & Privacy Restrictions
- 4 Tap iTunes & App Store Purchases
- 5 Select Allow or Don't Allow for each feature (you can also lock these settings with a password)

NOS National Online Safety
www.nationalonlinesafety.com

Spring / Summer Menu

CHADWICK'S KITCHEN W/C: 20/04/26 - 11/05/26 - 01/06/26 - 22/06/26 - 13/07/26 - 31/08/26 - 21/09/26 - 12/10/26

	MAINS	SIDES	DESSERTS
MONDAY	Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) Or Tomato Pasta Bake (V) Or Quorn Burger in a Bun (V) Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Homemade Potato Wedges Garlic Slice ----- Sweetcorn Mixed Salad	<u>Choice of:</u> Oaty Hob Nob Biscuit Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
TUESDAY	Chadwick's Chicken Curry Or Pulled Pork Flatbread Or Pulled Quorn Flatbread (V) Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Wholegrain Rice Diced Herby Potatoes ----- Broccoli Carrots	<u>Choice of:</u> Chocolate Crispy Crunch Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
WEDNESDAY	Roast of the Day Or Chicken and Tomato Pasta Or Vegetarian Toad in the Hole Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Roast Potatoes Yorkshire Pudding Stuffing ----- Green Beans Peas and Carrots	<u>Choice of:</u> Fruity Jelly and Ice Cream Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
THURSDAY	Mince and Dumplings Or Turkey Sandwich Or Macaroni Cheese (V) Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Mashed Potatoes Garlic Slice ----- Broccoli Cauliflower	<u>Choice of:</u> Summer Fruit Mousse Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
FRIDAY	Fish Fingers Or Fish Cakes Or Cheese & Bean Melted Wrap (V) Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Chips Peas Baked Beans	<u>Choice of:</u> Shortbread Biscuit with Peaches Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt

Healthy option on the day
Least food miles travelled

Spring/Summer 2026 WEEK ONE

CHADWICK'S KITCHEN W/C: 27/04/26 - 18/05/26 - 08/06/26 - 29/06/26 - 07/09/26 - 28/09/26 - 19/10/26

	MAINS	SIDES	DESSERTS
MONDAY	Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) Or Veggie Shepherd's Pie (V) Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Potato Wedges ----- Assorted Vegetable Crudites Sweetcorn	<u>Choice of:</u> Jam Sponge & Custard Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
TUESDAY	Mr Tindale's Breaded Katsu Chicken Or Homemade Sausage Roll Or Quorn Mince Filled Taco's (V) Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Sliced Oven Crispy Potatoes ----- Broccoli Cauliflower	<u>Choice of:</u> Chocolate Brownie Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
WEDNESDAY	Roast of the Day Or Mexican Chicken Wrap Or Creamy Tomato Pasta Bake (V) Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Roast Potatoes Yorkshire Pudding ----- Carrots Peas	<u>Choice of:</u> Fruit Crumble and Custard Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
THURSDAY	Northumberland Sausages Or Tuna or Cheese Sandwich Or Macaroni Cheese (V) Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Mashed Potatoes Garlic Bread ----- Broccoli White Cabbage	<u>Choice of:</u> Mrs Vicker's Orange Biscuits Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
FRIDAY	Fish Fillet or Fish Fingers Or Tuna or Salmon Mayo and Sweetcorn Pasta Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Chips Curry Sauce ----- Peas Baked Beans	<u>Choice of:</u> Chadwick's Kitchen Flapjack and Peach Slices Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt

Healthy option on the day
Least food miles travelled

Spring/Summer 2026 WEEK TWO

CHADWICK'S KITCHEN W/C: 04/05/26 - 15/06/26 - 06/07/26 - 14/09/26 - 05/10/26

	MAINS	SIDES	DESSERTS
MONDAY	Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V) Or Macaroni Cheese (V) Or Tuna and Cucumber Wrap Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Homemade Potato Wedges Garlic Bread ----- Sweetcorn Carrot Batons	<u>Choice of:</u> Mrs Vicker's Orange Drizzle Cake Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
TUESDAY	Chadwick's Kitchen All Day Breakfast Or Pasta Bolognese Bake Or Vegetable Enchilada Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Garlic Bread ----- Broccoli Cauliflower	<u>Choice of:</u> Mrs Cole's Sticky Chocolate Muffin Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
WEDNESDAY	Roast of the Day Or Creamy Chicken Pasta Or Quorn Sausages (V) Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Roast Potatoes Yorkshire Pudding Garlic Bread ----- Carrots and Peas White Cabbage	<u>Choice of:</u> Toffee Cheesecake Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
THURSDAY	Steak and Vegetable Grill Or Mr Parkin's Chicken & Pesto Pasta Or Vegetable Savoury Rice (V) Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Toppings	Mashed Potatoes or Wedges Garlic Bread ----- Sweetcorn Green Beans	<u>Choice of:</u> Fruit Medley Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt
FRIDAY	Fish Fingers or Fish Cakes Or Mrs Morton's Sweet Chilli Noodles Or Tomato Pasta Bake (V) Or Jacket Potato & Choice of Topping	Chips ----- Peas Pepper Strips Baked Beans	<u>Choice of:</u> Chocolate Crunch Cheese and Crackers Fresh Fruit Yoghurt

Healthy option on the day
Least food miles travelled

Spring/Summer 2026 WEEK THREE

Celebration of the Word assemblies & school masses

SCHOOL/PARISH LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS

Friday 22.05.26	Year 2	Mrs Gray	9.05am
Friday 05.06.26	Year 1	Miss Robertson	9.05am
Friday 12.06.26	Year 3	Mr Bailes	9.05am
Friday 19.06.26	Year 4	Miss Thompson	9.05am
Friday 26.06.26	Year 5	Mrs Collins	9.05am
Saturday 13.06.26	First Holy Communion Mass Sacred Heart & St. John Bosco Church		10.00am
Thursday 09.07.26	Year 6 Leaver's Assembly		2.00pm
Thursday 16.07.26	End of Term / Leaver's Mass (Whole School)		10.00am

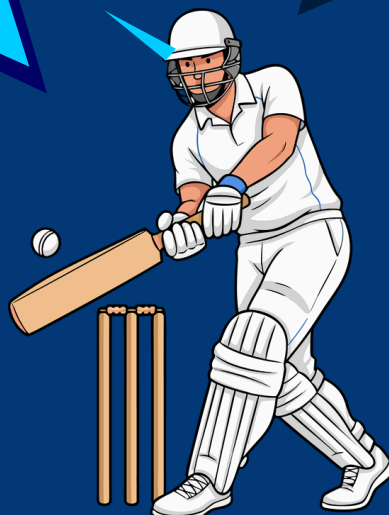


Summer term after-school clubs

Day	Year group	Club	Time
Monday	Year 1 - Year 6	Summer Sports	3.15-4.30pm
Tuesday	Reception - Year 2	Science Club (outdoors)	3.15-4.15pm
	Year 3 - Year 5	Sports Club (cricket/netball)	3.15-4.15pm
	Year 6	Reading Comprehension Booster Club	3.15-4.15pm
Wednesday	Year 3 - Year 6	Digital Club	3.15-4.15pm
	Year 4 - Year 6	Football Club	3.15-4.15pm
	Year 3 - Year 6	Puzzle Club	3.15-4.15pm
	Year 4	First Holy Communion	3.15-4.15pm
Thursday	Year 4	Multiplication Club	3.15-4.15pm
	Year 6	Maths Booster Club	3.15-4.15pm

Spaces
available in
some clubs!

Puzzle / board
games club now
open to Year 2!





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NEWSLETTER

SAFEGUARDING

SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY!

If incidents involving children from our school are taking place in the local community, please report your concerns to **Together for Children**.

- To report a child safeguarding concern (0 to 17 years old) contact Together for Children on **0191 5617007** (available 8.30am to 5:15pm Monday – Thursday, 8.30am to 4.45pm Friday).
- Out of hours duty safeguarding officer: **0191 5205552**
- **For serious incidents, we would always advise contacting the police directly, 999 or 101 for non-emergencies**
- **Gentoo Housing co-ordinator for North Sunderland 07734597810**

Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility



Our Safeguarding Children Process





ST JOHN BOSCO R.C. PRIMARY SCHOOL

2025-2026 School Calendar

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	Holidays - School Closed
	INSET Day - School closed to pupils
	Bank Holiday - School Closed

Please note that school will close at 1pm on Friday 19th December, Thursday 2nd April, Friday 17th July