Headlines

St John Fisher R.C. Primary School Autumn Term 2025/26
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Week Beginning – 16th November

Anti-Bullying Week
Road Safety Week

Monday 16th
Odd Sock Day—whole school
Anti-bullying workshops YrR-Yr6

Tuesday 17th
St Osmund Collective Worship 9am (parents and carers of pupils in 4STO are welcome to attend)

Wednesday 18th
YrN Parents & Carers Evening 4pm-6:30pm

Thursday 19th
YrN Parents & Carers Evening 4pm-5:30pm

Friday 20th

Saturday 21st
Early Years Open Session 10:30am—11:30am (see Pg2



It has been lovely to see so much happening across the school this week. Thank you to everyone who has supported the Poppy Appeal and taken the time to admire our Remembrance display, which is proudly visible in the front office windows and on the grass at the front of the school for our wider community to see.

Our Year 5 children made us incredibly proud with their entrepreneurial skills during the Convent Gardens Business Challenge. They showed great creativity, teamwork and enthusiasm. Year 2 also enjoyed a very special visit to the Christmas Journey, helping them to begin their preparations for the festive season.

Despite the sunshine today, the weather is certainly getting colder, so please make sure that all items of school uniform, including coats, are clearly labelled with your child's name and with our new lunchtime routines, it is also particularly important that lunchboxes are named so that they can easily be returned to their owners.

Next week is Anti-Bullying Week, and we will be taking part in Odd Socks Day on Monday. Children are invited to wear odd socks to celebrate what makes each of us unique and to remind us that we should embrace our differences and be proud to be ourselves. There will also be workshops taking place across Years R–6 to help children explore the importance of kindness, respect and standing up to bullying.

Finally, we are holding another Early Years Open Session on Saturday 21st November for families who may be interested in joining our school. Please do spread the word among your friends and family who might like to come along. Further details can be found on page 2.

Have a lovely weekend

Letters Home:
PGL Reminder—Yr6
Nativity Performance—YrN / YrR
Christmas Fair Pack—whole school
Sound of Jazz Trip—Yr5 / Yr6

Caterlink
Click **here** for menu
Special Harvest menu on Thursday—a chance for your child to ***'Try for a Day'*** See page 4

Designated Safeguarding Leaders

Ms J Kenna *DSL,*
Mrs C Ellerker *Deputy DSL,*
Miss C Higgins *Deputy DSL*





If you have any concerns about a child please contact: ***safeguarding@st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk***

ST JOHN FISHER PRIMARY AND NURSERY SCHOOL





COME AND JOIN US AT OUR EARLY YEARS OPEN MORNING

SATURDAY 21st November 10.30-11.30am

Come and meet our wonderful staff and find out more about starting Reception and Nursery at St John Fisher School.
Book using the QR code below.

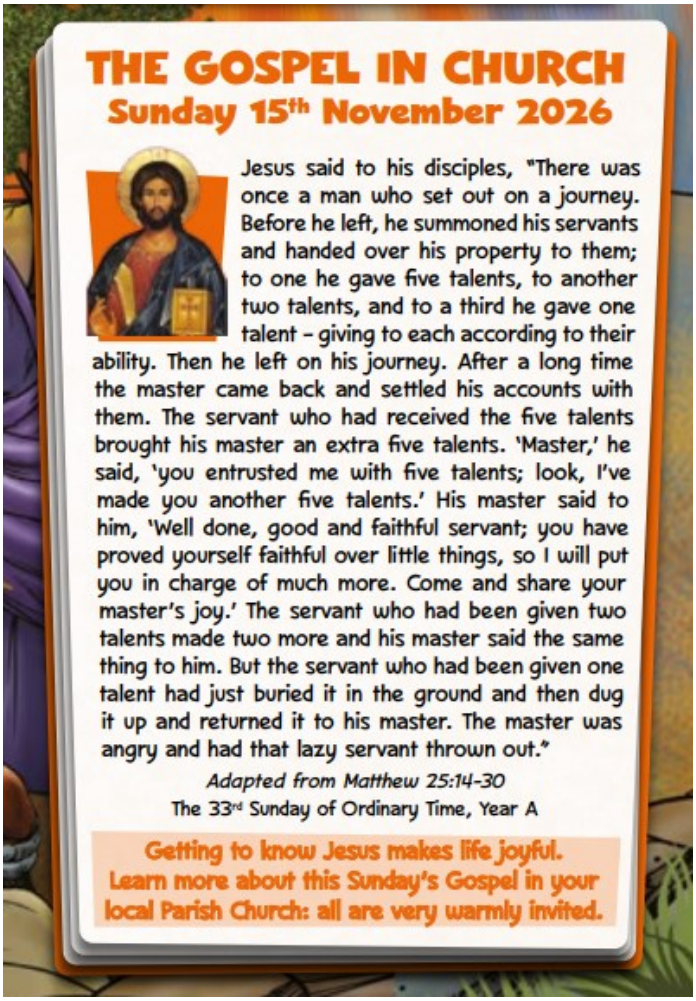
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Try Olympic Fencing in Merton!

New Fencing beginner course starting Sat 28 Nov 10-11am at St John Fisher Church Hall, Merton SW20 9DB. 4 week course from 28 Nov - 19 Dec. Cost £60. Please contact Nick at info@epsomfencingclub.org to register your interest or text 07799 346829

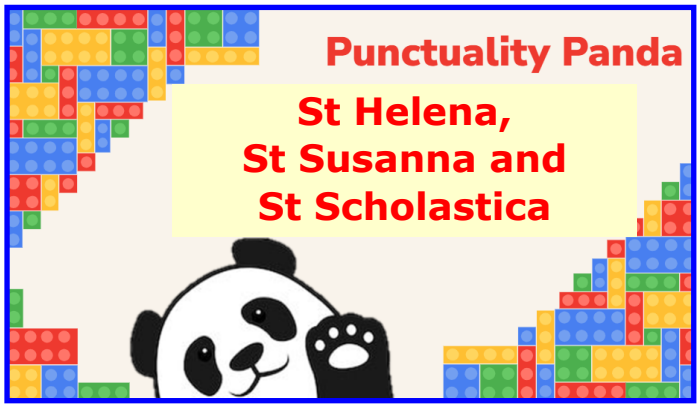
Try a new sport while developing coordination, agility, concentration, confidence and tactical thinking.
Fencing is Fun!



Attendance week beginning
2nd November

Class	Week Commencing 2nd Nov	Week Commencing 19th Oct
St Elizabeth	97.50	93.80
St Rose	98.80	96.90
St Helena	99.40	97.20
St Susanna	95.00	99.30
St Francis	98.60	95.50
St Ignatius	97.80	99.50
St Hugh	98.10	99.20
St Nicholas	98.90	99.10
St James	**100.00**	**99.60**
St Osmund	97.70	95.20
St Ninian	97.40	95.40
St Teresa	98.60	99.10
St Aidan	97.90	95.10
St Scholastica	95.00	95.10
Overall	**97.90%**	**97.14%**





Autumn Favourites

October 2026

Build a Burger
Beef Burger
Served in a bun
Toppings

or

Cheesy topped Vegetable Lasagne

Mixed Salad
Paprika Oven Potato Wedges

Chocolate Orange Cookie
Vanilla Ice Cream



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feeding the imagination

SJF RESOURCE SUPPORT FUND



WAYS TO SUPPORT OUR PUPILS

£5
could buy a pencil case bundle

£10
could buy a DIGITAL SUBSCRIPTION - e.g. Times Table Rockstars.

£50
could buy 10 CGP workbooks

£100
could contribute to Little Wandle Reading Scheme costs.

HOW YOU CAN DONATE:

1. Online via Arbor
2. Standing Order.
3. Tap and go
4. Cheque

GIFT AID

ADD 25p FOR EVERY £1 AT NO COST!

Sign form at office or online.

OUR BANK DETAILS

St John Fisher School Governors' Fund
The Co-operative Bank
Sort Code: 08-92-99
Account Number: 67399657
Reference: use your youngest child's name and class, e.g Leo Smith, St Francis

Every donation counts.
Every child benefits.

For more information, please visit our website

Registered Charity No. 1178706

On Wednesday, two teams of six Year Five children attended the Covent Garden Business Challenge at the Ursuline High School in Wimbledon.





This inter-school young enterprise competition gave the chosen pupils an opportunity to show off and develop their creativity, design and collaboration skills alongside classmates. Thank you to Mrs Rodriguez and Mrs Carlin for accompanying our teams on the day, and a huge well done to both teams, who worked hard and did the school proud, developing and then presenting their 'Bouncy Sounds' and 'All In One School Pen' ideas in front of the judges and other schools. Happily, one of our teams has progressed to next week's final, taking place in Covent Garden - watch this space...

Year 2 had a wonderful time at St Martin's Church learning about the greatest story ever to be told. We learnt about 'the beginning', tasted Mary's amazing freshly baked bread, saw the Angel Gabriel, helped the shepherds to look after the sheep and chose gifts for the new born King.
Thank you to all the lovely people who organised it and invited us.







St John Fisher remembered those that have given so much for us all by displaying our poppies both in school and for the whole community.

Each year this commemorative display brings such positive comments from our local community. The Royal British Legion are also extremely grateful that the younger generation are engaging with the poppy appeal so fully and with such dignity.







BUILD BETTER LEARNING



Next week is Road Safety Week, and this year's theme is **'Safe People on the Move'.**

Road Safety Week is an opportunity to think about how we can make every journey as safe as possible, every time we travel.

We will be raising awareness of the importance of staying safe on and around roads and encourage families to continue these conversations at home, particularly when travelling to and from school.



OPAL HEADLINES

Week Beginning 9th November 2026

This Week at OPAL

What a fantastic week of play! Children have been full of energy and creativity, making the most of everything OPAL has to offer.

They loved zooming around on the scooters, wheelchairs and buggies, worked together to build den spaces, and brought their imaginations to life in the mud kitchen.

There was also lots of focus and determination as children developed their balance and coordination skills on the slack lines.



Outdoor Wear

As the temperatures have rapidly dropped, ALL children must come to school with:



Coat



Wellies



Waterproofs (to be worn if your child would like to play in the mud kitchen and digging area)



Hat



Gloves



Scarf



Please make sure that ALL outdoor wear is clearly labelled with your child's name.









Shout Outs

Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
Arthur	Liam Abir Cooper	Noah C Shawn George Jovan Erin Florence Charlotte Eliash Hugo Rome Isabelle C	Noah I Hanuji Xin Isabelle	Charlotte Mila Beatrix Gabriela Hannah Florence Emma Noah F Erfan Iniyan	Ethan C Ezra Seb Daniel Felix Arlo Hoyt Jack S Martin Jude Lucas Freddie Nicolas