



# Headlines



**St John Fisher R.C. Primary School Spring Term 2025/26**

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## **Week Beginning – 2nd February**

### **National Story Telling Week**

#### **Monday 2nd**

School Tour for prospective families  
9:45am

#### **Tuesday 3rd**

#### **Wednesday 4th**

Yr3-Yr6 Gymnastics Borough Champion-  
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#### **Thursday 5th**

PACE Coffee Morning at school 8:50am  
(see Pg4)

#### **Friday 6th**

Internet Safety Workshop—YrR-Yr6  
Workshare Weekend

Earlier today, you will I hope have received the latest newsletter from our wonderful PTFA.

Within this, alongside news of forthcoming events, our current Executive Committee, Ginnie and Lisa, have also shared with you the news that they intend to stand down from their positions at the end of this academic year. I would like to start by extending a HUGE thank you to both Ginnie and Lisa for spear heading such phenomenal success over the last three years in the leadership of the SJF PTFA.

As within any organisation, it is the work of the team that pulls weight and makes real and tangible differences. By default, each of our parents and carers are members of the PTFA on joining the school. However, any organisation also needs those who are prepared to step up and drive that collective response.

The PTFA are **VITAL** to the success of the school. The funds raised (as you will see from their update) are significant in ensuring that the school are able to afford things that are well beyond the scope of school budgets.

Put simply, there are many things school cannot afford without the PTFA and their commitment to fundraising.

With this in mind, whilst we continue to support our current PTFA exec team through the exciting events planned for the rest of the academic year (including our BIG birthday day!), I would urge parents and carers to consider how they might step up and offer themselves, their ideas and their energy to ensure that the future of our PTFA secures the best possible opportunities for all of our SJF school community—now and in the years to come.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend.

We are extremely grateful to the PTFA who are funding the **Interactive Internet Safety Workshop** which pupils in YrR-Yr6 will participate in next week.

Without the support of the PTFA, we would not be able to organise things like this, so we thank you all for your continued support.

## **Letters Home:**

All are Welcome Topic—YrR

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*Happy Birthday*

Zefyros C, Grace M,  
Erin V, Zuri B, Jack R,  
Clementine D, Maria Isa-  
dora M De S, Leon G,  
Seraphina S.

# **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](mailto:safeguarding@st-johnfisher.merton.sch.uk)*

## **Free School Nursery Places Available for the Summer Term 2026**

Has your child turned 3? Is your child turning 3 by the 31st March 2026? St John Fisher School Nursery has a limited availability for your child to start after the Easter break.

Free 15 or 30 hr places are available with the option to purchase additional hours. Wrap around care is also available from 7.30-6pm  
Please contact the school for further information.

Please also note our School Nursery intake for the next academic year:

<b><i>CHILD TURNS 3 BETWEEN:</i></b>	<b><i>CAN START ST JOHN FISHER</i></b>
1st September 2025 - 31st August 2026	September 2026
1st September - 31st December 2026	January 2027
1st January - 31st March 2027	April 2027
1st April - 31st August 2027	September 2027

### Rising 3s

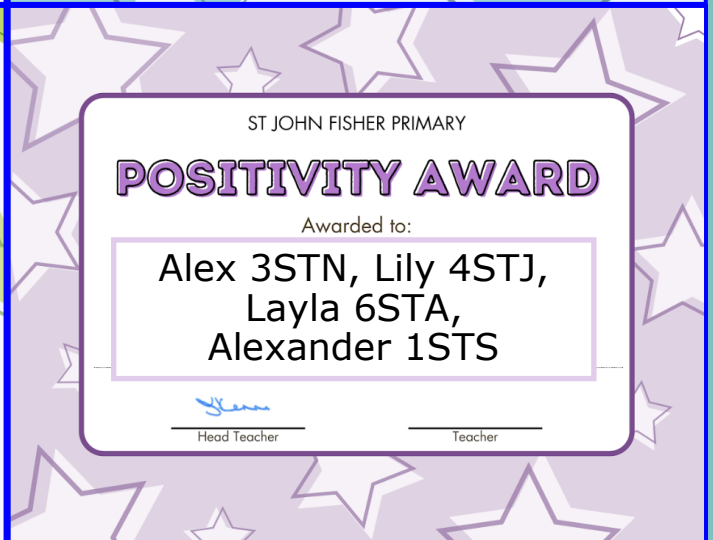
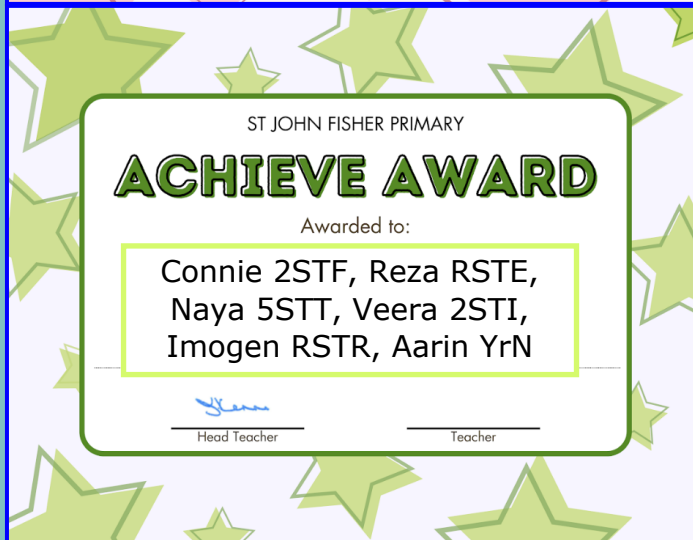
Children who turn 3 years old during term time, and who are eligible, can take up a free Early Education place the Monday after their 3rd birthday.

Please contact the school for further information.



Year 2 children have been creating maps with different materials. They designed a map on a polystyrene tile and made a print.

# BUILD BETTER LEARNING





## THE GOSPEL IN CHURCH

### Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> February 2026



Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them: "How happy are the poor in spirit; theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage. Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted. Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied. Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them. Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God. Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God. Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Happy are you when people mistreat you and persecute you and speak all kinds of slander against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

*Adapted from Matthew 5:1-12*  
The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A

Getting to know Jesus makes life joyful.  
Learn more about this Sunday's Gospel in your local Parish Church: all are very warmly invited.

This morning, the Yr5 chaplains attended a Liturgy Service for Sancta Familia Catholic Academy Trust, to celebrate becoming a Trust and all of the work we are doing together. Children from all of the schools joined together with Headteachers, leaders and representatives of the Trust, Merton Borough and Southwark Diocese for this service of celebration. We look forward to many more opportunities like this, where we can come together.



## Attendance week beginning 19th January 2026

Class	Week commencing 19/01/26	Week commencing 12/01/26
St Rose	96.30	96.90
St Elizabeth	95.00	93.30
St Susanna	99.20	98.70
St Helena	95.20	91.90
St Francis	98.50	97.00
St Ignatius	97.60	99.70
St Nicholas	100.00	97.00
St Hugh	97.40	99.70
St James	96.60	98.30
St Osmund	95.20	99.30
St Teresa	97.50	95.40
St Ninian	97.70	100.00
St Aidan	95.70	98.60
St Scholastica	92.90	94.60
<b>Overall</b>	<b>96.77%</b>	<b>97.17%</b>

## Attendance Alligator

# St Nicholas



## Punctuality Panda

# St Osmund



# ST JOHN FISHER PRIMARY SCHOOL- COFFEE MORNING

Education  
Wellbeing  
Service

**NHS**

South West London and  
St George's Mental Health  
NHS Trust



**Parent / Carer Coffee Morning Topic:**  
**PACE Parenting: Playfulness,  
Acceptance, Connection and Empathy**

**JOIN US ON**  
**THURSDAY 5TH FEBRUARY 2026**  
**09:00 - 10:00AM AT SCHOOL**

- **Provide a flavour of using PACE within our parenting**
- **To reflect on different ways we can use PACE**
- **To understand why PACE can help meet our child's needs and foster confidence**

Provided by our NHS-in-School Education Wellbeing Service





# Weekly Updates

This week in our play assembly we enjoyed talking about **Puddle and Play** and **Woodland Garden Footwear** and how we can have lots of outdoor fun while staying safe and comfortable.

To make sure they are ready to join in, children need to come dressed for the weather.

## **PUDDLE PLAY**

### **Children MUST wear:**

- Wellies
- Waterproof trousers
- A waterproof coat

and to keep puddle play happy for everyone, we gently reminded the children that:

- Feet can splash, but no kicking water
- Puddles are for jumping, not sitting or lying in



## **WOODLAND GARDEN ADVENTURES**

### **Children MUST :**

- Wear wellies or have a change of shoes/trainers

This will help us to:

- Keep school shoes clean and dry
- Let the children explore safely
- Enjoy exciting activities such as climbing trees, building dens and discovering nature through hands on learning



We have had a fun and exciting week at school!  
Here are some photos of our wonderful activities

