



Headlines



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

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Week Beginning – 8th June

Monday 8th

School tour for prospective families

9:45am

Tuesday 9th

YrR Collective Worship 9am (*parents and carers of pupils in RSTE and RSTR are welcome to attend*)

Wednesday 10th

Yr4 Hampton Court Trip

Thursday 11th

International Day of Play—Mufti Day (see Pg6)

World Cup Special Menu (see Pg4)

Friday 12th

Yr6 PGL Residential trip

As we begin our first week back and the final half term of the school year, there is already a real sense of excitement across the school. With the weather continuing to keep us guessing, please remember to send children prepared for both sunshine and showers!

Next week, on 11th June, we will be celebrating the International Day of Play in support of our OPAL play initiative with a Mufti Day for all pupils. We are looking forward to seeing the children enjoy even more opportunities for creativity, collaboration and fun through play. See Pg6 for more details.

There is also plenty of sporting excitement on the horizon as the World Cup gets underway, giving us lots to talk about and celebrate together. Caterlink are offering a themed menu on Thursday (see Pg4) which children can enjoy.

A particular highlight this week was hearing the fantastic feedback from Hampton Court following Reception's recent visit. Their behaviour, enthusiasm and engagement were described as outstanding, and we are incredibly proud of them. We now look forward to seeing whether the oldest children in the school, our Year 6 pupils, can match that standard as they head off on their PGL residential next week!

As always, thank you for your continued support as we head into what promises to be a busy and memorable final half term.

Have a lovely weekend

Letters Home:

Mufti Day—Whole school

Education Wellbeing Webinars—Yr6

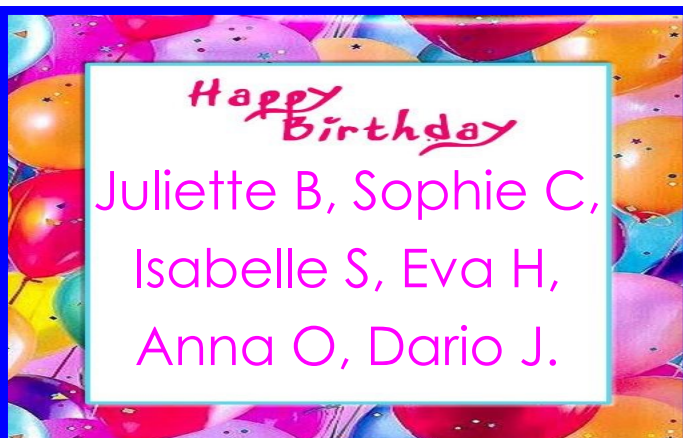
Brooklands Trip—Yr1

Imago Reminder and free delivery extension to 8/6/26—whole school

Caterlink

Special World Cup menu on Thursday 11th (see Pg4)

[Click HERE for menu](#)



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

Window Safety During Hot Weather

Message from Executive Director, Children, Learning and Families & Merton Safeguarding Children Partnership Chair

I want to take this opportunity to highlight a critical and preventable safeguarding risk that becomes more acute during periods of hot weather: **the safety of children in homes where windows are left open and are not adequately childproofed.** Any approach to ventilation must be safe, controlled and proportionate to the risks in the household, especially in flats and multi-storey accommodation.

We know that:

- Children are at risk of falling from windows, with incidents often linked to windows being opened during hot weather for ventilation.
- The drive for ventilation during periods of heat can lead to window restrictors being overridden, absent or faulty, significantly increasing risk.
- Young children are naturally curious and do not recognise the danger posed by open windows, meaning incidents can occur in seconds.

We ask that you consider the following:

- Safe ventilation, opening windows only when supervised and avoiding wide openings
- The importance of window restrictors and locks
- Not leaving young children unattended in rooms with open windows

And also, where appropriate, seek assurance from housing providers that:

- Window restrictors are installed, functional and not disabled
- Repairs relating to window safety are treated as urgent safeguarding issues
- Risk assessments consider child presence and vulnerability, not just property condition

I am confident that together we will continue our efforts to keep children and young people safe.

Year 6 recently received an informative talk from Transport for London (TfL). We learned how to travel safely and confidently on the tube, trams and buses, including how to plan journeys and follow important safety rules. The session also taught us how to behave respectfully in public places by being considerate of other passengers and following transport etiquette. We discovered that having a Zip Oyster card can help us become more independent when travelling and can save our parents money through discounted fares. The talk was engaging and gave us valuable knowledge that will help us travel responsibly and safely as we get older.



On Wednesday, the Reception children stepped back in time with a visit to Hampton Court Palace. The children had a great time exploring the grand rooms, spotting similarities and differences between the palace and our own homes. The highlight of the day was a special royal mission: helping the Queen solve riddles to build her bravery and confidence so she could proudly wear her new crown! A huge thank you to all the adult helpers who came along, thank you for helping make the day so special.



A huge well done to our Yr5 and Yr6 pupils who proudly represented SJF at the Borough Cricket Championships this week. Their determination, teamwork and sportsmanship were outstanding throughout the event and we are incredibly proud of them all.



FIFA WORLD CUP

AMERICA

Thursday 11th June

Build a WORLD CUP USA Style BURGER
or
Boston BAKED Bean Casserole

Stadium SIDES
SEASONED WEDGES
Sweetcorn & Peppers
Coleslaw

Trophy Chocolate
Brownie
ICE CREAM



Attendance Alligator

St Susanna



Punctuality Panda

St Ninian



Attendance week beginning
18th May 2026


Class	Week commencing 18/05/26	Week commencing 11/05/26
St Rose	89.40	88.80
St Elizabeth	96.10	92.20
St Helena	94.80	99.30
St Susanna	99.20	97.90
St Francis	93.80	95.90
St Ignatius	91.70	96.30
St Hugh	98.70	100.00
St Nicholas	97.70	99.70
St James	96.80	98.90
St Osmund	97.00	95.20
St Ninian	95.90	97.30
St Teresa	98.90	95.40
St Aidan	97.90	99.60
St Scholastica	87.10	97.90
Overall	95.3%	96.7%

Wednesday
3rd June 2026

Good News for Families
TOGETHER TIME

1 Enjoy reading this Sunday's Gospel

Jesus said, "I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Those who eat this bread will live forever. Now the bread which I will give is my flesh, and I will give my flesh for the life of the world. Those who eat the bread which is my flesh have eternal life now, and I will raise them up on the last day. My flesh is true food; my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me and I live in them. So my flesh is the bread which comes down from heaven. It is not like the bread which our ancestors once ate in the desert - they died, but those who eat this bread will live forever."



Taken from the Gospel of Sunday 7th June 2026. John 6:51-58 (The Feast of Corpus Christi, Year A)

Which words stood out for you in this Gospel, and why? What does the picture make you think about? Now enjoy exploring this Wednesday's word, which is **NOURISH**.



SAVE THE DATE!



THURSDAY 11TH JUNE

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PLAY

PLAY IS HOW WE GROW!



PROTECT PLAY – PROTECT CHILDHOOD

TO CELEBRATE,

WE ARE HAVING A MUFTI DAY!

Children can wear their OWN CLOTHES!

Each child must bring in a LOOSE PART to contribute to our OPAL!

WE ARE REQUESTING:



clothes



soft toys



brooms



decorating paint brushes & rollers



crates



suitcases



kitchen utensils



yoga mats



pool noodles



watering cans



trowels



tarpaulin



dolls & doll prams



cars & car mats



buggies

THANK YOU FOR HELPING US PROTECT PLAY AND PROTECT CHILDHOOD!



Road Safety Update

In response to some suggestions given by parents, please see below the update from Merton Council:

- Given the status of Grand Drive it is not possible to introduce a school street.
- There are school keep clear zig zag markings, extensive double yellow lines and guard railings that serve as preventive measures.
- There is a pedestrian crossing phase at the signalised junction that is very close to the school and pedestrians should use this crossing
- We could add a few more guard railing panels between the bus stop and vehicular access to the school but due to car park access they may not be effective
- It is not possible to provide a school crossing patrol officer due to site constraints and difficulty recruiting

We remind all parents, carers, and pupils to take extra care when travelling to and from school by:

- Always using designated pedestrian crossings where available
- Avoiding crossing between parked cars
- Holding younger children's hands near roads and crossings
- Staying alert and avoiding distractions such as mobile phones
- Parking considerately and safely around the school site
- Demonstrating safe road behaviours, as children learn greatly from the examples adults set

Summer Reading Challenge: Super Sign Up Saturday

Get ready to kick off this year's Summer Reading Challenge in spectacular style with **Super Sign Up Saturday on Saturday 4 July!**

Children who register on Super Sign Up Saturday and complete the challenge will be entered into an additional prize draw for the chance to **win family tickets to the Paddington Bear Experience** - making launch day even more exciting.

There will also be plenty of exciting activities happening throughout the day, including:

- **Character meet and greets** with some favourite storybook and super-hero characters
- Funky **photo opportunities** with giant frames and musical props

Free family-friendly activities across participating libraries

The Summer Reading Challenge runs from **Saturday 4 July to Saturday 5 September** and encourages children to keep reading throughout the summer holidays



SEAN MCINNES SPORTS COACHING



SMSC SUMMER HOLIDAY MULTISPORT CAMP

WE PROVIDE HIGH QUALITY AND ENGAGING CAMPS
AIMED TO DEVELOP CHILDREN ACROSS A WIDE RANGE OF SPORTS.
ACTIVITIES WILL INCLUDE FOOTBALL, NETBALL, BASKETBALL,
DODGEBALL, GYMNASTICS, HOCKEY AND MANY MORE SPORTS.

WHERE: St John Fisher RC Primary School (SW20 9NA)

WHEN: WEEK 1 (20th – 23rd July) /

WEEK 2 (27th – 30th July) /

WEEK 3 (3rd – 6th August) /

WEEK 4 (10th – 13th August)

AGES: 4 – 12

TIME: 9:00AM – 3:00PM

Fully funded HAF places available. Please book using one
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OPAL UPDATES

Although it has been a very wet week, the children have thoroughly enjoyed their OPAL play opportunities. The digging area and woodland garden have been particularly popular, with children discovering lots of bugs and mini-beasts that have emerged after the rain.

It has been wonderful to see so much imaginative play, teamwork and problem-solving across the playground during our first week back.

We also have some exciting wildlife news! The Great Spotted Woodpecker chicks that have been living in our woodland area have now flown the nest and are off on their own adventures. We are so pleased that our school grounds have provided a safe home for this special woodpecker family.

With the chicks now safely fledged, we are delighted to announce that the climbing tree will reopen on Monday.



OPAL Reminder



Please ensure your child comes to school with a coat every day.

This helps them enjoy all of our OPAL play opportunities, whatever the weather!



If your child would like to play in the digging area or take part in puddle play, they must bring wellies or a change of shoes to keep at school.



Coat



Waterproofs



Wellies



Change of Shoes