

Busy few weeks

THANK YOU



Thank you for supporting us with the school uniform since Christmas, the children have looked so smart wearing the correct items of clothing.

We still have a few children wearing jewellery and the wrong items for PE, so we will be asking them to remove jewellery and fashion items and offering them alternative clothing.

Also, please ensure your child has a coat and a change of shoes for playing on the field, as you know it gets very wet and boggy, but the children love to play on it, however this cannot happen if they haven't got a change of footwear.

St Carlo Acutis Relics



We were very lucky to be accepted to see the St Carlo Acutis relics at St Patricks church. Following Mrs Butterworth's visit to Assisi last year, the children have been fascinated by this young saint. It was a truly Holy experience.



On returning to school all the children have written intentions to send to Assisi.

Parking issues

We have had a number of complaints from neighbours and parents regarding parking on the road and in the school car park. These include extremely rude and disrespectful behaviour, this is disappointing but also often takes place in front of children.

Please ensure that at the start and end of the day anyone arriving by car is mindful and courteous to neighbours and each other.

The local traffic wardens have been monitoring and have been attending outside school more regularly.



Essential ARBOR and Annex information



As you are aware school has been gradually moving information to the Arbor App. We have undertaken these actions slowly in order to prepare for when we join St Teresa of Calcutta Trust, at this time the conversion to academy status remains on pause, however we need to continue moving forward with our actions. After half term our contracts with school money and the email service end, therefore it is imperative that you have downloaded the Arbor App to ensure you receive future communications.

ANNEX CLUB

We are having to make significant changes to the bookings and time structure for the Annex club following half term:

Opening Times (Term Time Only)

Breakfast Club- 7:40am - 8.40am

After School Club- 3.15pm - 5.45pm

Charges

£5.00 per morning per child

£7.00 from 3.10 pm to 4.30pm per evening per child

£9.00 from 3.10 pm to 5.45pm per evening per child

These changes have been made due to fluctuation in attendance and unbooked places taking place.

The Arbor system no longer allows for unbooked places. There are a number of places for each session, those who use vouchers can continue to use the club. Places must be booked and paid for, if there are no places on a day or for a session then a child must not attend.

The Arbor system is allowing school to ensure that the club is staffed effectively, office staff **will not** be able to book children onto the club, the Arbor App must be used for this.

The Annex staff have an electronic register with the names of the children who are booked on for the session.

Mrs Rimmer has moved credit from School money in preparation for after half term.

The new Annex booklet is attached to the email for clarification, if there are any questions please email office @stthomasmorerc.rochdale.sch.uk

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 6th February

NSPCC Number Day

Sunday 8th February

Sacramental programme meeting after 11am mass

Peruvian Mission Fair

Friday 13th February

School closes for half term at normal time

Monday 23rd February

School re-opens for Spring 2

Thursday 26th February

7pm Reconciliation meeting for parents.

Wednesday 18th March

6:30 pm STP Reconciliation

Thursday 19th March

6:30pm STM Reconciliation

Friendly February 2026

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
						
2 Ask a friend how they have been feeling recently	3 Do an act of kindness to make life easier for someone	4 Invite a friend over for a 'tea break' (in person or virtual)	5 Make time to have a friendly chat with a neighbour	6 Get back in touch with an old friend you've not seen for a while	7 Show an active interest by asking questions when talking to others	8 Share what you're feeling with someone you really trust
9 Thank someone and tell them how they made a difference for you	10 Look for good in others, particularly when you feel frustrated with them	11 Send an encouraging note to someone who needs a boost	12 Focus on being kind rather than being right	13 Smile at the people you see and brighten their day	14 Tell a loved one or friend why they are special to you	15 Support a local business with a positive online review or friendly message
16 Check in on someone who may be struggling and offer to help	17 Appreciate the good qualities of someone in your life	18 Respond kindly to everyone you talk to today, including yourself	19 Share something you find inspiring, helpful or amusing	20 Make a plan to connect with others and do something fun	21 Really listen to what people say, without judging them	22 Give sincere compliments to people you talk to today
 23 Be gentle with someone who you feel inclined to criticise	24 Tell a loved one about the strengths that you see in them	25 Thank three people you feel grateful to and tell them why	26 Make uninterrupted time for your loved ones	27 Call a friend to catch up and really listen to them	28 Give positive comments to as many people as possible today	

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MISSION STATEMENT

As servants of God, we follow in the footsteps of Jesus Christ. through his love, we guide each member of our family on their own spiritual journey to achieve and grow.

We love, we learn, we live with Christ.