NEWSLETTER

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Mrs Bury's thought...



Smile often. Think positively. Give thanks. Laugh loudly. Love others. Dream big.



Our Catholic Life and Mission

Next Half - Term we are being Compassionate & Loving

First Holy Communion and Confirmation

On Saturday 10th May children from our school took their First Holy Communion in which they received the Eucharist for the very first time. This is a significant milestone in their faith journey and a step towards becoming more fully united with Christ and the Church. The beautiful weather on that day ensured everyone could go and celebrate after with family and friends.





Confirmation

On Wednesday 21st May, children in Y6 were confirmed by Bishop David Evans. This is the third Sacrament of initiation which strengthens faith and enables the children to become full members of the Church. We wish them all the best as they continue to be guided by the Holy Spirit.



May Procession

On Wednesday 14th May everyone in school took part in the May Procession. This was a lovely celebration of Mary, the mother of Christ, where each class was able to contribute with a prayer or song. Children finished the service by giving gifts to Mary. Thank you for all the wonderful plant donations, these are now taking pride of place in the Marian Garden.

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Diary Dates		
MAY		
Friday 23 rd	8:45am KS2 Golden Certificate Assembly	
	9:15am KS1 Golden Certificate Assembly	
	3:15pm END OF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSES FOR HALF TERM	
Sunday 25 th	Parish Celebrations for Sacraments in the school hall after Mass – Cake Donations	
	will be gratefully received!	
JUNE	The Month of the Sacred Heart	
Monday 2 nd	TED DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO PUPILS	
Tuesday 3 rd	SCHOOL OPEN TO PUPILS & STAFF FOR SUMMER TERM 2	
	9:00am Celebration of the Word in School – Year 3, Year 4 & Year 5 - Parents	
	Welcome	
	Year 6 Bikeability	
Thursday 5 th	Year 3 Sacred Heart Activity with Parents	
	Year 6 Bikeability	
Tuesday 10 th	9:00am Celebration of the Word in School - Reception, Year 3 & Year 5 - Parents	
	Welcome	
Wednesday 11 th	Year 4 God's Eye Activity with Parents	
	Year 6 Bikeability	
Mon 16 th – 27 th	Health & Fitness Fortnight	
Monday 16 th	Year 6 Bellboating at Fladbury Paddle Club	
Tuesday 17 th	9:00am Celebration of the Word in Church – Reception, Year 1 & Year 4 Parents	
	Welcome	
-	Y4 Language Day at BEO	
	UKS2 Sports Day for Year 5 & Year 6 - Friends providing refreshments	
	1:30pm Open Afternoon – All Welcome	
Wed 18 th - 20 th	Year 6 Residential to The Pioneer Centre	
Thursday 19 th	LKS2 Sports Day for Year 3 & Year 4	
	Year 5 Taster Day at BEO	
Monday 23 rd	KS1 Sports Day - Friends providing refreshments	
Tuesday 24 th	Class Group Photo Day – Robin Sandry Photography	
	6:15pm Induction Evening for New Parents (not children) at Tudor Grange Academy	
Tuesday 24 th	9:00am Mass in Church - Reception and Year 5 Parents Welcome	
Wednesday 25 th	Year 6 Transition to BEO Day 1	
—	09:30am – 10:30pm Pre-School Sports Day	
Thursday 26 th	Year 6 Transition to BEO Day 2	
	Y3 Trip to All Things Wild	
Friday 27 th	Colour Run – School Sponsored Event – Details to Follow	
Monday 30 th -	Pupil Induction at Tudor Grange	
Wed 2 nd July		
JULY	Month of the Precious Blood of Jesus	
Tuesday 1 st	9:00am Mass in Church – Year 2 & Year 6 Parents Welcome	
Wednesday 2 nd	Year 5 Faith in a Bag with Parents	
Friday 4 th	***MOVING UP DAY***	
Monday 7 th	3:30pm New to Year Group Meeting for Year 5	
	4:00pm New to Year Group Meeting for Year 6	
Tuesday 8 th	9:00am Mass in School – Reception, Year 3, Year 4 Mass for End of School Year	
	10:15am Rocksteady Show to Parents	
	3:30pm New to Year Group Meeting for Reception 2	

	4:00pm New to Year Group Meeting for Year 1		
Wednesday 9 th	Reception Trip to Little Owl Farm Park		
	3:30pm New to Year Group Meeting for Year 4		
Thursday 10th	3:30pm New to Year Group Meeting for Year 2		
	4:00pm New to Year Group Meeting for Year 3		
Friday 11 th	17:30pm Year 5 Sealife Centre Sleepover		
Saturday 12 th	08:30am Sealife Centre Trip Return – Pick up from School		
Tuesday 15 th	9:00am Mass in School – Year 6, Year 5, Year 2 & Year 1 Leavers Mass -Parents		
	Welcome		
Wednesday 16 th	13:30pm – 15:00pm Pre-School Leavers Assembly on the field (weather permitting)		
Thursday 17 th	8:45am KS2 Golden Certificate Assembly		
	9:15am KS1 Golden Certificate Assembly		
Friday 18 th	9:00am Year 6 Leavers Assembly		
	3:15pm END OF TERM - SCHOOL CLOSES FOR SUMMER HOLIDAYS		

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PLEASE NOTE: HOME TOYS ARE NOT ALLOWED IN SCHOOL - PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW YOUR CHILD TO BRING THEM IN.

Many thanks Mrs Bury



Do we have anyone that would be willing and able to make something similar to this picture, it is a food pantry to store our food bank donations.

Many thanks in advance Miss Annese



Autism Awareness Day

We would like to thank you all for your kind donations and support with our Autism Awareness event. We had a lovely few days celebrating the importance of inclusion and autism awareness. We've raised over £430 for the National Autistic Society. Thank you, Together we can all make a difference.



48 HR RULE

If your child has a diarrhoea and vomiting bug, to help the health of other children, please DO NOT send them into school until they are 48 hours clear since the last episode.

Many thanks for your cooperation with this important matter. Mrs Bury Principal

ARBOR

Please note that after half term, all payments for trips, swimming, clubs etc will be made on Arbor. Please ensure that you have downloaded the Arbor App and have signed up. WK Health Security Agency

Should I keep my child off school?

res	Until
Chickenpox	at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after their last episode
Cold and Flu-like illness (including COVID-19)	they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for COVID-19
Impetigo	their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics
Measles	4 days after the rash first appeared
Mumps	5 days after the swelling started
Scabies	they've had their first treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after they started taking antibiotics
Whooping Cough	48 hours after they started taking antibiotics
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No

but make sure you let their school or nursery know about...

Hand, foot and mouth	Glandular fever
Head lice	Tonsillitis
Threadworms	Slapped cheek



Advice and guidance

NHS

To find out more, search for health protection in schools or scan the QR code or visit https://grco.de/minfec.

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Support is available to anyone living with a young person under the age of 19 in Worcestershire.

Email the team to refer yourself today: whcnhs.smokefreehomes@nhs.net or scan the QR code for more information.

Mrs Cree's Sky Dive

On 25 May, I will be taking the ultimate leap – a skydive – to raise funds for the Midlands Air Ambulance Charity. This vital service provides life-saving medical care, responding to emergencies across the region and saving countless lives.

To take part in this charity skydive, I need to raise £395. I've always wanted to do this, but the idea of stepping of a plane at over 10,000ft and falling at up to 125mph is truly terrifying!

Each Air Ambulance call-out costs thousands of pounds and is almost entirely funded by public donations, so your support really does make a difference!

Any contribution, no matter the size, would mean a lot and help me reach my goal.

Thank you for your support! Donations can be made in cash or

You can donate to my JustGiving page by clicking here: https://www.justgiving.com/page/alexandra-cree-3





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TERM DATES 2025 /2026

<u>AUTUMN TERM</u>	Students return on Wed 3 rd September 2025
38 + 35	Students finish on Friday 19 th December 2025
Half Term	Students finish on Friday 24 th October 2025 Students return on Monday 3 rd November 2025
<u>SPRING TERM</u>	Students return on Monday 5 th January 2026
29 + 25	Students finish on Friday 27 th March 2026
Half Term	Students finish on Friday 13 th February 2026 Students return on Monday 23 rd February 2026
<u>SUMMER TERM</u>	Students return on Monday 13 th April 2026
30 + 35	Students finish on Friday 17 th July 2026
Half Term	Students finish on Friday 22 nd May 2026 Students return on Tuesday 2 nd June 2026
Good Friday	Friday 3 rd April 2026
Easter Sunday	Sunday 5 th April 2026
Easter Monday	Monday 6 th April 2026

Please note Key Stage 1 & 2 SATS/Optional Tests will be during the month of May

Monday 4th May 2026

Monday 25th May 2026

Teacher Education Days

May Bank Holiday

Whitsun Bank Holiday

- 1. Monday 1st September 2025
- 2. Tuesday 2nd September 2025
- 3. Friday 3rd October 2025
- 4. Friday 26th June 2026
- 5. Monday 20th July 2026 (3 Twilights)