



Shining as we learn in
Faith, Family and Friendship!



Weekly Newsletter



Together, as God's family we are learning through love, forgiveness, respect and compassion to use our unique gifts, challenging and transforming our world.



Parent Workshops

We have a number of Parent Workshops coming up in the Spring term. Parent Workshops are wonderful ways to gain a further understanding of how to support your child in their learning and we are always so thankful for the support we receive from our parents/carers.

Phonics and Reading in Reception - 3rd February

Y1 Phonics Workshop - 4th February

Y2 Reading Workshop - 5th February

Clubs

Extra-curricular clubs will start on Monday 26th January. All slips stating the clubs your child wished to attend should be returned to school now. Next week, we will notify children and parents of the clubs that they have been signed up to.



Friday 16th Jan

Witness

We are all called to be God's witnesses in this life. Help us to live our lives in the way He showed us, spreading love, peace and joy to everyone.

Amen

Catholic Social Teaching

Year 3 are very excited to hold their Catholic Social Teaching Assembly on Thursday 29th January. The theme is 'Rights and Responsibilities'. Everyone is warmly invited to join us, and it will take place in the School Hall at 2.45pm.



Wednesday Word

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/good-news?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4>



This week's Certificate Winners

- ☺ Year 1: River
- ☺ Year 2: Bilal
- ☺ Year 3: Scarlett
- ☺ Year 4: Eliza
- ☺ Year 5: Arabella
- ☺ Year 6: Zoya

Year of Reading 2026

In 2026, schools across the country are celebrating the National Year of Reading! Families across the nation are invited to **Go All In** for reading and discover how stories, facts, comics and poems can unlock curiosity, confidence and imagination.

Developing a love of reading from an early age helps children build language, empathy and lifelong learning skills that support success in school and beyond.

Parents and carers play a vital role in this journey alongside schools — simply sharing a book, turning off screens for a while, and talking about stories can make a powerful difference.

You can also support your child by joining your local library and making reading a fun, everyday part of family life.

Every child at St William's has access to a wonderful variety of books to enjoy, from stories and poems to information and picture books. Why not sit down with your child today and share a book together? Even a few minutes of reading aloud or talking about a story can help build their confidence, imagination and love of reading.



Dates for your Diary

Friday 23rd January	Nursery Stay and Play for morning children @9.30am
WB: 26th January	Extra-curricular clubs start.
Wednesday 28th January	Y3 @Bolton Museum—Ancient Egypt
Thursday 29th January	Y3 CST assembly—Rights and Responsibilities @ 2.45pm
Friday 30th January	GIFT team to visit the relics of Carlo Acutis @ St Patricks, Collyhurst
Friday 30th January	Nursery Stay and Play for morning children @2.30pm
Friday 6th February	Y6 @ Bolton Artillery Barracks

Attendance

This week's attendance is as follows:

Reception: 94.6% → (-0.1%)
 Year 1: 94.1% ↓ (-1.3%)
 Year 2: 95.9% ↑ (+0.1%)
 Year 3: 96.2% → (-0.0%)
 Year 4: 96.1% ↑ (+0.1%)
 Year 5: 96.7% ↓ (-0.2%)
 Year 6: 94.1% ↓ (-1.1%)

Just a reminder that we aim for every child's attendance to be at least 97%.

