



St Simon of England RC Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 25th September 2026

Dear Parents & Carers, This week saw the start of our much anticipated after school clubs and the children have thoroughly enjoyed taking part in the wide range of activities on offer. It has been wonderful to see their enthusiasm, teamwork and willingness to try new experiences. We also announced the children who have been successful in securing one of our many roles and responsibilities across the school. From House Captains and School Councillors to Mini Vinnies and other pupil leadership positions, we are incredibly proud of all those who put themselves forward.

I hope you all have a wonderful weekend.

Mrs Bryant

Roles and Responsibilities at St Simon's

These roles provide valuable opportunities for pupils to develop their leadership skills, serve our school community and be positive role models for others. We were delighted to present the successful pupils with their badges during assembly this week, and we are confident that they will wear them with great pride. We look forward to seeing them flourish in their new responsibilities and witnessing the positive impact they will have within our school and the wider community throughout the year. Their commitment, enthusiasm and service will help to make St Simon's an even stronger and more caring community for all.



ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to Year 5 who achieved an outstanding 100% attendance this week.

Reception: 96.7%
Year 1: 99.4%
Year 2: 97.5%
Year 3: 99.3%
Year 4: 99.5%
Year 5: 100%
Year 6: 98.7%



St George's Cathedral

Today, some of our children had the wonderful opportunity to attend the Beginning of the Year Mass at St George's Cathedral, where they were joined by schools from across the Diocese. With over 1,000 people gathered in the cathedral, it was a truly special celebration of our shared faith.

The Mass provided a meaningful opportunity for our pupils to come together with other young people to pray, reflect and give thanks as we begin a new school year. Surrounded by the beauty of the cathedral and united in worship, the children were reminded that they are part of a wider Catholic community, connected through faith, hope and service.



PTA News

The PTA will be holding its first AGM of the year in the school hall on Thursday 1st October at 5:15pm. We would encourage all parents and carers to come along and show their support. It will be a great opportunity to hear about the exciting plans for the year ahead, share ideas and get involved in supporting our school community. Tea and coffee will be available.

Next Week:

Monday - Celebration of the Word
Drama Club at 3:15-4pm
Tuesday - Year 6 to Aylsford Priory 8:40am
Netball Club at 3:15-4pm
Lego Club
Mindfulness Club - lunchtime
Wednesday - Wellbeing Assembly
Thursday - Art Club 3:15 - 4pm
Running Club 3:15 - 4pm
Friday - Celebration of the Word
Rosary Club - lunchtime



Loving Father,

Thank You for our school community and for the gifts You have given each of us. Help us to use our talents to serve others, show kindness in our words and actions and follow Your example each day. Bless our families, staff and pupils, and guide us to grow in faith, hope and love.

Amen.



We work, learn, play and pray together, fulfilling God's unique plan for each and every one of us.