



# St. Richard's RC Primary School Newsletter 2025



Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> January 2025

The mission of St Richard's is that we know, love and follow Christ by looking after each other and trying our best every day.

## POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR JANUARY

Pope Francis' prayer intention for January is for the right to an education: 'Let us pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.'



## WEDNESDAY WORD ONLINE

The link below is to this week's edition of the Wednesday Word. Please continue to read and discuss the Wednesday Word every week as a family by visiting:

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/joy?pid=MTA101634&v=160.3>

This Wednesday's Word is **JOY**

## GOODBYE AND THANK YOU MISS MIGUEL

We say goodbye to Miss Miguel tomorrow, Friday 17<sup>th</sup> January. We thank Miss Miguel for all her efforts, and we wish her all the very best for the future.

Mrs Edelman returns from maternity leave on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January. Mrs Edelman will take over as Class 6's class teacher from this date until the end of the academic year. We wish her all the best.

## PICKING UP PROMPTLY FROM AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

It is vitally important that parents and carers pick up their children from after school clubs promptly each week. We have only just started clubs back up again this week and we have already had too many children being picked up late. All of our after-school activities end at **4.15pm**. Where a parent or carer is repeatedly late picking up their child from any of our after-school clubs then we will consider withdrawing the privilege of your child attending that after school activity and future after-school activities.

## WAKE UP WEDNESDAY: MANAGING SCREEN TIME

National Online Safety (NOS) have created free online safety guides for schools to share with parents and carers. This campaign is called '#WakeUpWednesday'. At St Richard's we provide a link to different topical e-safety issues so that parents and children are better informed and able to make better choices about their computer and internet use. This week's edition of Wake Up Wednesday is about what parents and carers need to know about managing their child(ren)'s screen time. Please read more [here](#)

## WHEN YOUR CHILD IS POORLY

At St Richard's, we fully support current NHS advice that it is fine to send your child to school with minor [cough](#) or [common cold](#). However, if they have a high temperature, please keep them off school until it goes down. Children with [diarrhoea or vomiting](#) must stay away from school until they have not been sick or had diarrhoea for at least 2 days (48 hours).

## ELECTRICAL CIRCUITS WORKSHOP

Zaynah in Class 13 writes, 'On Tuesday, Amanda Morrow visited Class 13 and taught us about electricity. We learned about how electricity is produced and how it is then transferred into our homes, schools and other buildings around us. We also learned about different ways that electricity can be produced (including biomass). I had a really good time because Amanda let us design our own electrical appliances and we were able to use our own creativity.'

## WE WILL BE ON X (FORMERLY TWITTER) IN 2025

St Richard's will be launching an X (formerly Twitter) account in January 2025. Parents are encouraged to follow the whole school X account in order to receive the news and information the school will be posting to X. Our first posts should appear on X by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January. Please remember to follow us and keep in touch with us on X [@St\\_Richards\\_RC](#)

## ST RICHARD'S HOLIDAY DATES

The school holiday dates (both for the current as well as next academic year) are available at:

<https://st-richards.manchester.sch.uk/key-information/calendar/>

Please ensure that your child is on time and in school every day that school is open to them. We break up for February half-term holidays on **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February 2025** and we return to school on **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2025**.

## RECEIVING THE WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

It is vitally important that parents receive and read the newsletter every week so that you know what's going on at St Richard's. The newsletter is only very occasionally sent out as a paper copy. The latest version of the weekly newsletter can be accessed on the school's website every Thursday afternoon. We are happy to email the newsletter to parents every week if they request this service. If you are not currently receiving the newsletter each week but wish to receive the newsletter every Thursday by email, then simply send:

1. Your full name
2. Name(s) and class(es) of your child(ren) at our school
3. Preferred email address
4. The message 'I consent to school using my email address in order to send me a copy of the newsletter each week of term'.

to [comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk) and you will be added to the mailing list.

## RESPONDING TO THE NEWSLETTER

We are always happy to receive comments, observations or suggestions about the newsletter or any aspect of school life in general. Any such comments will be read and considered. These can be emailed to: [comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk)

With many thanks for your continuing support

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