



St. Richard's RC Primary School Newsletter 2025



Thursday 30th 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.

THE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME STARTS NEXT WEEK

There is a meeting in school at 6pm on Thursday 6th February for parents and children who are taking part in the Sacramental Programme this year. There is also a Sacramental Programme Mass at 5pm on Saturday 8th February at St Richard's RC Church. Parents and children who are taking part in the Sacramental Programme this year must attend both events. Parents were sent full details in a separate letter yesterday. Please remember all these families in your prayers.

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/hope?pid=MTA101634&v=165.5>

This Wednesday's Word is **HOPE**. The Wednesday Word is a wonderful resource for parents and children on the Sacramental Programme to use.

CHILDREN'S MENTAL HEALTH WEEK 2025

Children's Mental Health Week is taking place next week (3rd - 9th February 2025). This year, the theme is 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself' in partnership with [Here4You, supported by The Walt Disney Company](#) and the *Inside Out 2* characters.

As always at St Richard's, we will be acknowledging and celebrating how our pupils and staff work together to create a positive, supportive and listening environment in order to support mental health and wellbeing.



NON-UNIFORM DAY FRIDAY 7th FEBRUARY

Pupils will be able to wear non-uniform next week on **Friday 7th February 2025** in return for a £1 donation, which will be split evenly between school funds and the children's mental health charity Place2Be.

WAKE UP WEDNESDAY

As stated above, next week is Children's Mental Health Week. This week's Wake Up Wednesday guide is all about what parents and educators need to know about [Mental Health and Wellbeing Apps](#)



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. 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 as well as future after-school activities.

WE ARE NOW ON X (FORMERLY TWITTER)

At St Richard's we have launched an X (formerly Twitter) account. Parents and carers are now able to follow the whole school X account in order to share in the achievements of individual classes and the school. Our first posts are already available and our X account is already full of wonderfully positive and celebratory snapshots of life at St Richard's. Please make sure to follow us on X [@St_Richards_RC](#)

CLASS ASSEMBLIES THIS TERM

We are delighted to announce that our class assemblies are continuing in 2025. These are wonderful occasions where we invite parents to share in the prayer life of our school by attending an assembly produced by their child's class. Below are details of which class assemblies are coming up this term. They all begin at 9am in the main school hall.

Date	Class assembly for:
Thursday 6 th February	Class 1
Thursday 13 th March	Class 3
Thursday 20 th March	Class 9
Thursday 27 th March	Class 2

YEAR FOUR ELECTRICITY WORKSHOPS

Eireann in Class 8 writes, 'On Tuesday this week, Amanda Morrow came to Class 8 to deliver an Electricity workshop as part of our Science Curriculum. We were given an introduction where we learned about electrical insulators and conductors. We got to group these according to their properties. Afterwards, we made lightbulbs, buzzers and motors work by completing electrical circuits using batteries. Everybody then used this knowledge to design and make their own 'steady-hand' game. We all learned more about electricity, and how it works. We had a great day.'

WHEN YOUR CHILD IS ILL

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).

DO NOT GO THROUGH THE STAFF CAR PARK

Parents must not cut through the staff car park next to St Richard's Church and should never attempt to squeeze past or go under the car park barriers because this is potentially very dangerous. Parents must not attempt to open the green pedestrian gate that leads onto this car park. Many thanks in advance for your complete cooperation.

RESPONDING TO THE NEWSLETTER

We are always happy to receive comments, observations or suggestions about the newsletter or any other aspect of school life. Any comments that we receive will be read and considered. These should be emailed to: comments@st-richards.manchester.sch.uk

With many thanks for your continuing support

Mr J Murray

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