



St. Richard's RC Primary School Newsletter 2025



Thursday 16th October 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

WE BREAK UP FOR HALF-TERM ON FRIDAY 24th OCTOBER

Please make a note of the date above and please note that school will also be closed to all pupils on Friday 21st November 2025 because it is a staff INSET Day.

HARVEST DONATIONS

This year we are again supporting Caritas Cornerstone Day Centre's Harvest Donations appeal by collecting the following items:

Breakfast cereal	Long-life milk
Porridge oats	Individually wrapped biscuits/cakes
Coffee and sugar	Tinned fruit/custard/rice pudding
Squash/cordial	Condiments
Tinned chickpeas	Shower gel
Tinned meats/tuna	New men's and women's socks
Tinned vegetables	Tinned potatoes
Cook-in pasta sauce	Cook-in curry sauce
Rice and pasta	Dishwasher tablets
Meat or veg stock cubes	Tinned baked beans

Any donations that you are able to make to help homeless people in our local area would be very gratefully received. Donations should be taken by your child to their class from Monday 29th September until the closing date of Tuesday 21st October. Our Caritas Ambassadors will be coordinating the appeal and will be helping to deliver the harvest of donations to Cornerstone before we break up for Autumn half-term on Friday 24th October.

THE WEDNESDAY WORD

The Wednesday Word is in the bumper holiday format this week and for the two weeks after. It will return to its usual format on Wednesday 5th November, in the week that we return to school. Please try to read and discuss the Wednesday Word every week as a family by visiting: <https://wednesday-word.paperturn-view.com/half-term-holiday-special?pid=MTA101634&p=7&v=187.9>

APPLICATIONS FOR A YEAR 7 SECONDARY SCHOOL PLACE FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

Manchester City Council's online application portal opened on the 1st July 2025. **The closing date for on-time applications is Friday 31st October 2025.** Our school office staff can help parents who may be experiencing difficulties with submitting their applications online. Please phone school to make an appointment if you require this. Please follow this link to make an online application: [Apply for a place | Apply for a year 7 secondary place for September 2026 | Manchester City Council](#)

APPLICATIONS FOR A RECEPTION CLASS PLACE FOR SEPTEMBER 2026

If your child's date of birth is between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022 and they are due to start primary school in September 2026 and you live in Manchester then please follow this link to make an online application: https://www.manchester.gov.uk/info/500321/primary_school_admissions/7264/apply_for_a_reception_class_place_for_september_2026 If you live outside Manchester and want a place at a Manchester school, you need to apply through your current local council. The application round for Reception 2026 school places is currently open and the deadline for submitting an on-time application is **Wednesday 14th January 2026**. Our school office staff can help parents who may be experiencing difficulties with submitting their applications online.

NON-UNIFORM DAY TOMORROW

Tomorrow (Friday 17th October) we are having a non-uniform day in school in order to raise money for school funds – all of which will then be spent on the children of St Richard's. Children may wear sensible and appropriate non-uniform on Friday 17th October in return for a £1 donation to school funds.

ASSEMBLIES AND 'STAY & PRAY' THIS TERM

It is always lovely to have so many of our parents come along and share in the prayers, achievements and celebrations of our children at our class assemblies in the hall (9am start) and Stay and Pray sessions in our Prayer Room (3pm start). Many thanks and well done to Class 8 for their lovely assembly this morning.

Date:	Class Assembly:
Friday 17 th October	Class 7 Stay & Pray in the Prayer Room at 3pm
Thursday 13 th November	Class 4 Assembly in the main school hall at 9am
Thursday 20 th November	Class 5 Assembly in the main school hall at 9am
Thursday 27 th November	Class 7 Assembly in the main school hall at 9am
Friday 28 th November	Class 8 Stay & Pray in the Prayer Room at 3pm
Friday 5 th December	Class 9 Stay & Pray in the Prayer Room at 3pm

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YOUR NEXT CAREER STARTS HERE!

- ✓ Live job vacancies you can apply for on the day
- ✓ Meet employers from the private, public, & voluntary sectors
- ✓ On-the-spot interviews available
- ✓ Dress to impress – interview style

WHY ATTEND?

Looking for your next job or thinking about a career change? This is your chance to meet real employers, make connections, and land that role you've been searching for.

JUST WALK IN – NO BOOKING NEEDED!

Thursday 23 October 2025, anytime from 10AM – 1PM
Belle Vue Leisure Centre, Kirkmanshulme Lane, Manchester M12 4TF

www.msvhousing.co.uk – search for Positive Futures
Email: involvement@msvhousing.co.uk
Call Jade on 07786 960 241

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With many thanks for your continuing support,

Mr J Murray

Headteacher
St Richard's RC Primary School