



St. Richard's RC Primary School Newsletter 2026



Thursday 5th March 2026

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.

WEDNESDAY WORD ONLINE

The Wednesday Word is now back to its usual format following the holiday edition over the last three weeks. Please continue to read and discuss the Wednesday Word every week as a family by visiting: <https://wednesday-word.paperturn-view.com/god-s-love?pid=MTA101634&v=203.7>

The Wednesday Word is a particularly wonderful resource for parents and children on the Sacramental Programme to use. This week's Wednesday Words are **GOD'S LOVE**

FRANCIS HOUSE CRÈME EGG UPDATE

In total, we managed to collect a total of **1623** eggs for Francis House in the shorter period of time that we had this year. Many thanks and well done everyone for this amazing effort! Alongside selling Easter Chicks in knitted outfits for £2 each this year, we will have made a significant fundraising contribution to a very worthy cause as part of our Lenten promise to give to the poor. All the money raised from this sale also goes to Francis House.

CARITAS ST JOSEPH'S PENNY APPEAL LENT 2026

We are also supporting St Joseph's Penny during Lent as part of our alms-giving efforts to help the poor. This year, Caritas have again given us St Joseph's Penny coin boxes for children to take home and fill. All the money raised by St Joseph's Penny is used to support Caritas in the

Diocese of Salford. Caritas is a Catholic charity which responds to poverty and social injustice in our local area. Boxes have now been handed out and every child should have brought one home. Please keep hold of the boxes until straight after the Easter holidays (the school week commencing Monday 13th April 2026). We will send out a reminder nearer the time. Many thanks in advance for all your fund-raising efforts.

SPRING TERM PARENTS AFTERNOONS/EVENINGS 2026

All of our Spring Term 2026 Parents Afternoons/Evenings will take place on either Monday 9th March or Tuesday 10th March 2026. Full details are in the letter that your child brought home on Monday this week. Five-minute appointment times will be available between 1.15pm and 6pm. These will be face to face meetings in school with your child's class teacher. School Cloud will be used for booking appointments.

Please visit <https://strichardsrc.schoolcloud.co.uk/> as soon as possible in order to book your appointments. The appointment booking window closes at noon tomorrow (Friday 6th March). Changes to appointments or new appointment requests will not be possible after this time and date so please make sure to book your appointment on time.

PRIORITISING PEDESTRIAN SAFETY

We all have a very important role to play in prioritizing pedestrian safety on the streets and pavements around our school. Parents should always use authorised crossing points and ensure that they have close supervision of their children when crossing roads. Drivers should drive slowly, carefully and considerately and should park as far away from school as possible. Drivers must not block pavements or pedestrian walkways as this makes it more dangerous for pedestrians, who may be forced to walk in the road as a result. We have invited Traffic Enforcement Officers to visit school in the near future to monitor this.

WORLD BOOK DAY 2026

World Book Day 2026 took place today at St Richard's and we all had a great time celebrating authors, book characters, books and reading. Many thanks to everyone – especially in this the 2026 Year of Reading – for all your efforts in dressing-up, sending photographs of your favourite places to enjoy reading ('Read Your Way') and in taking part in such a wonderful range of reading and book-related activities to mark this special day.



ASSEMBLIES AND 'STAY & PRAY' THIS HALF-TERM

Please come along and share in the prayers, achievements and celebrations of our children at our class assemblies in the hall and Stay and Pray sessions in our Prayer Room. Please note that C1's Stay and Pray has been re-scheduled to Friday 17th April 2026 and that C2's assembly is on Tuesday 17th March.

Date:	Event:
Tuesday 17 th March	C2 Assembly in main school hall at 9am
Friday 20 th March	R1 Stay and Pray in the Prayer Room at 3pm
Thursday 26 th March	C9 Assembly in main school hall at 9am
Friday 27 th March	R2 Stay and Pray in the Prayer Room at 3pm
Friday 17 th April	C1 Stay and Pray in the Prayer Room at 3pm

With many thanks for your continuing support

Mr J Murray

Headteacher
St Richard's RC Primary School