



St. Richard's RC Primary Summer Term Newsletter



Thursday 9th July 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.

ANNUAL SCHOOL REPORTS

This afternoon your child should have brought home an envelope containing their annual school report. We hope that you find the format straightforward and easy to understand and we are sure that you will find much in the report to be pleased about and proud of. The deadline for booking a very brief telephone conversation (which is only necessary if you specifically wish to **discuss the content** of your child's report) is 4pm tomorrow, Friday 10th July. These phone calls will take place between 3.30pm and 5pm on Monday 13th July and parents will have to be available for the whole of this time.

WEDNESDAY WORD ONLINE

Please share the joy of the Wednesday Word as a family this week by visiting <https://wednesday-word.paperturn-view.com/companion?pid=MTA101634&v=215.5>
The Wednesday Word this week is **LISTENING**

PROTECTING YOUR CHILD FROM THE SUN

Please ensure that your child is provided with effective protection from the sun on warm and sunny days. You should apply sun cream to your child before you bring them to school. Please also provide them with a wide-brimmed hat or peaked cap and a water bottle so that they can stay hydrated.

IS YOUR CHILD ENTITLED TO FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

The process for claiming free school meals is changing. Last week you will have received information and a form through the post about applying for free school meals. **It is vitally important that you complete and return this form as the school is dependent on the funding that comes from completed forms.**

NON-UNIFORM DAY TOMORROW - FRIDAY 10th JULY

In return for a £1 voluntary donation towards school funds, we would like all pupils to come to school in sensible non-uniform **tomorrow** (Friday 10th July). Many thanks in advance.

SAFE4SUMMER 2026

We are pleased to share the **Safe4Summer** campaign led by Greater Manchester Police with support from Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service, local councils, and other key partners. This collaborative campaign is designed to engage young people and their parents or guardians, encouraging positive behaviours while helping to reduce water-related incidents, deliberate fires, and anti-social behaviour throughout the summer. The **Safe4Summer website** shares key campaign messages and directs families to a variety of fun, exciting, and safe activities available in the local area.

FREE SCHOOL MEAL VOUCHERS OVER SUMMER HOLIDAYS

Manchester City Council have agreed to make a one-off payment of £50 per child eligible for free school meals (FSM) to help with the financial pressures that many of our families are currently facing. This one-off payment to eligible FSM pupils is to be paid prior to the end of the summer term.

ECO-SCHOOLS CELEBRATION AT WYTHENSHAW PARK

Some of the Eco Council took part in the Eco-Schools Celebration Event at Wythenshawe Park. Esme said, "The best part was in the greenhouse because we learnt so much about plants and what they do for the environment." Breanna and Maisie said they enjoyed the experience and we would love to go again! A great day was had by all who went.

THANK YOU MRS MARSHALL

When we break up for the summer holidays, we say goodbye to Mrs Marshall, our School Business Manager, who will be retiring following an almost life-long connection to our school. I am sure that the whole school community would like to express good luck and many thanks to Mrs Marshall.

BOOK GIFTING: THE CHILDREN'S BOOK PROJECT

Before we break up for the summer holidays, every child at St Richard's will be able to choose two more books to bring home and keep. This is called 'Book Gifting' and is due to our continuing involvement with the Children's Book Project, a charity which aims to promote attainment and engagement with reading through book ownership.

Children's
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Project

RETURNING SCHOOL READING BOOKS

Please ensure that your child(ren) return all reading books that belong to school as soon as possible (the deadline has already passed). This includes colour band books, accelerated reader books and Bug Club Phonics books. It takes a lot of time and effort to sort out our stock of reading books and make them ready for the start of the new academic year so your complete and timely cooperation with this is greatly appreciated.

END OF YEAR ASSEMBLIES

Please come along and share in the prayers, achievements and celebrations of our children at our end of year assemblies in the hall:

Date:	Event:
Friday 10 th July	End of Year Assembly for R & N in Main Hall at 9am
Monday 13 th July	End of Year Assembly for Y1 & Y2 in Main Hall at 9am
Tuesday 14 th July	End of Year Assembly for Class 5, 6 and 7 in Main Hall at 9am
Thursday 16 th July	End of Year Assembly for Class 8, 9 and 10 in Main Hall at 9am
Friday 17 th July	Y6 Leavers' Assembly at 9.15am in the Main Hall

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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