



# St John Fisher News

'I have come that they may have life and have it to the full'  
St John's Gospel Chapter 10

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## Fellowship

'If we walk in the light as he himself is in the light, we have fellowship with one another.' 1 John 1:7. With key international events like World Religion Day and Christian Unity Week coming up, the theme of fellowship is fundamental to living out the Catholic Social Teaching principles of Peace and Solidarity. Having an understanding and respect of others' faith, belief and/or religion is important if we are to live in a harmonious, prosperous, and healthy community. As a school we believe that we are united in our differences therefore promote kindness and that each person is valued.

## Mission and Values

As part of the Jubilee Year, we were called to review our mission and values. The working party of staff and students have created a new visual representation of the St John Fisher Catholic School Mission and Values:



## Parent Governor

We have a vacancy for a parent governor. A letter and nomination form will be sent out today, accompanying the weekly newsletter. If you are interested in supporting the school in this way, do read the information and contact the school.

Natasha Wilmore, Headteacher

## Art and DT Technician

32.5 hours per week, term time only  
Grade 5 - £18,749 - £19,350  
(part-time considered)

Role requires:

- preparing materials for practical lessons
- maintaining equipment in the Technology Department
- ensuring that all equipment and machinery is adequately maintained and serviced regularly

For further information, such as job description, person specification and application forms please contact Reception by Tel: 01733 343646, email: [enquiries@stjohnfisherschool.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@stjohnfisherschool.org.uk), or call into Reception between 8am and 4pm.



## Catholic Social Teaching

### Solidarity and Peace

Each week, this half term, we will share a top tip from our assembly and this week we consider our daily actions and how they can impact not only the people around you but the whole community.



### Top Tip 2 - Practical help and fellowship

Show **Peace** by holding the door open for someone else. Show **Solidarity** by standing up for someone else when an unkind word or action has been given.

Student Senior Leadership Team

## Year 10 Work Experience

Further to our assembly on Tuesday, Year 10 are attending a session in our IT suite during morning registration to log on to the work experience database. Students have until 26 January to make 6 choices. They need to consider location, working hours and the work environment they prefer. Students have been asked to rank their choices in order of preference and we will endeavour to give them a placement out of these. Further information will go out to parents once all students have had their session and received their log in details.

## Apprenticeship Sessions

Year 11 and Year 13 students who are interested in applying for an apprenticeship are invited to after school information sessions running on three dates from 3:20pm-4pm in Room 105. Students are required to sign up at the careers office if they are interested.

Session 1	Wednesday 21 January Applying for apprenticeships: tips and hints
Session 2	Wednesday 28 January CV and organising applications
Session 3	Wednesday 4 February Preparing for interview

Careers Team

## Upcoming Events

26	JAN
3	FEB
13	FEB

Deadline: Work Experience choices

Options/Parents Evening Yr 9  
(school closes at 2pm)

Training Day – School closed



## Extra-Curricular Activities Spring Term

### Monday Lunchtime

All Years – Racket Sports (Sports Hall)  
All Years – Chaplaincy Ambassadors (Chapel)  
Year 7 – Art Club (week 1 only)  
Year 7 - Blooket Club French (Room 211)  
Students with EAL Support – Piano Club

All Years – Film Club

### Monday After School

All Years - Boys Football (Astroturf)  
All Years – Girls Trampolining (Sports Hall)  
All Years – Chorum Choir (Room 102)  
Ad-hoc – Production Rehearsal (501)  
DofE – Food Club (Room 306)  
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

### Tuesday Lunchtime

All Years – Girls Multi-Sports (Sports Hall)  
All Years - Guitar Club (Room 102)  
Year 8 - Blooket Club French (Room 211)  
Year 9 – Drama Club (501)  
Years 7/9 – Textiles Club (week 1 only)

### Tuesday After School

All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

### Wednesday Lunchtime

All Years – Basketball (Sports Hall)  
Year 9 - Blooket Club French (Room 211)  
DofE – Backstage & Lighting Club (501)  
DofE – Italian Club (Room 209)  
String Players – String Ensemble (Room 102)

### Wednesday After School

All Years – Indoor Cricket (Sports Hall)  
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

### Thursday Lunchtime

All Years – Cricket Club (Sports Hall)  
Year 8 - Drama Club  
Blooket Club Spanish (Room 211)

### Thursday After School

All Years – Badminton Club (Sports Hall)  
All Years - Musical Theatre Club (501)  
Ad-hoc – Production Rehearsal (501)  
All Years - Homework Club Study Centre  
DofE – Musical Theatre/ Performing Arts  
DofE – Yoga (209)

### Friday Lunchtime

All Years - Volleyball Club (Sports Hall)  
All Years – Band Practice (Practice Room 3)  
All Years - Warhammer Club (Art Room)  
Year 7 – Drama Club (501)  
Years 7/9 – Textiles Club (week 2 only)

### Friday After School

All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

**Academic Tutoring**  
**Year 9**  
**19 – 30 January 2026**

## Breakfast - Free Bagels

Why not start the day with a filling breakfast. Our Breakfast club runs every day between 8.10am and 8.30am all students are welcome to come and join us in the Dining Hall for a free bagel.



## Free School Meals



### Are you entitled?

[Click HERE to apply](https://www.peterborough.gov.uk/residents/schools-and-education/free-school-meals)

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### Free School Meals

Is your child eligible for free school meals? We are keen to make sure they get the support they need, both short term with meals / vouchers but longer term in terms of schools support via the pupils premium. If you think you may be eligible please complete the form online at [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals). Claiming Free School Meals not only provides your child/children with a meal allowance each day of £2.70 but also brings in valuable additional funding to the school.

Your child is entitled to Free School Meals if you are in receipt of one of the following:

- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance
- Support under Part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- The guaranteed element of Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (provided you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for 4 weeks after you stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit
- Universal Credit – your household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits you get).

To apply for Free School Meals complete the Free School Meal Application Form on the website below [www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals](https://www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals).

### Outdoor Wear

With the colder weather arriving, please make sure your child comes to school dressed warmly in suitable outdoor clothing. Just a quick reminder: hoodies are not permitted—only suitable jackets and coats are allowed. These should not be worn in classrooms or corridors but can be safely left on the provided pegs.

### Lost Property

We've noticed a large number of unclaimed items accumulating on the pegs, including coats, blazers, and other belongings that students have left behind. Please check that your child's items are in your possession. If anything is missing, kindly urge your child to look through the racks and reclaim any belongings as soon as possible.

