



St John Fisher News

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

20 March 2026

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Theme: Compassion

This week we continued our Lenten journey by focussing on compassion – especially to those who are not happy. In Ephesians 4:32 it says: 'Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.' Showing compassion links to our values of 'Unity' and 'Love' and can be such a thoughtful, simple, small act which has huge positive impact on others. Key message: **Be Kind.**

Eid al-Fitr

Our Muslim students and families celebrate Eid al-Fitr this week. Eid in Arabic means 'festival' or 'feast' and Fitr means 'breaking the fast.' Wishing all those taking part in this celebration 'Eid Mubarak' which is a greeting that means 'blessed festival' in Arabic.

Natasha Wilmore, Headteacher

Lenten Pledge Box

The Lenten pledge box has been well received and there is still time for anyone who would like to add their pledge. Maybe you are giving up chocolate or maybe social media, whatever you are giving up, the Lenten pledge box allows you to remember what you have decided to do for this hopeful season.



Student Leadership Team

Work Experience Update

Following the letter sent to parents and carers of Year 10 students on Wednesday, we remind parents that **all parental agreement forms for Work Experience must be returned to school by Monday 23 March.** Students who have arranged their own placements should already have received their job descriptions. However, some may still be awaiting final approval.



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Miss Reeve, Work Experience Coordinator

Staff Appreciation

This week students took the time to thank school staff for all their hard work.

Student Leadership Team and Chaplaincy

Staff Appreciation Day!

To: _____

Its staff appreciation day, so a note to say,

Thank you for all of your hard work! Everything you do doesn't go unnoticed!

We appreciate all your hard work, creativity and commitment, and dedication which makes a massive difference in so many ways, every day.

Thank you

Wishes from: _____



Catholic Social Teaching Dignity of Workers

This week, our top tip reminds us that by giving to charity we can help others around the world. CAFOD work incredibly hard to promote equality among its workers and partners by embedding principles of dignity, diversity, and inclusion within its organisational structure, policies, and international partnership approach.

Top Tip 4 – Donate to CAFOD

Our donations help them to aid others with patience and compassion and the time and space to carry out their good work overseas to help our brothers and sisters overseas.



A better world needs all of us

Student Senior Leadership Team

**Academic Tutoring
Year 11
23 March – 17 April 2026**

Big Lent Walk

This week, staff and students continued their Big Lent Walk, walking in unity and fellowship with those around the world who have to walk long distances for water, food, education or employment. CAFOD (Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) use donations to help those in most need. For example, helping to create farming communities that grow their food on rafts in order



to cope with the rising sea levels due to climate change. The Student Leadership Team and their friends have gone around to the forms, inviting everyone to donate loose change for this

good cause. Thank you.

Student Leadership Team and Chaplaincy



'A year of reading ... a lifetime of memories.'



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 - Warhammer Club (Art Room)
 All Years – Film Club

Monday After School

All Years - Boys Football (Astroturf)
 All Years – Girls Trampoline (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)
 Year 7 – Drama Club (501)
 Years 7/9 – Textiles Club (week 2 only)

Friday After School

All Years - Homework Club Study Centre

Upcoming Events

24 MAR	Parents Evening Yr 11 & Yr 13
EAS TER	Easter Holidays 30 March-10 April
5 MAY	Parents Evening Yr 10
2-12 JUNE	Year 10 Work Experience: 2 June-12 June 2026

2025-26 Autumn Term	
Half Term:	24 October – 2 November
Term Ends:	Friday 19 December
2025-26 Spring Term	
Term starts:	Monday 5 January
Half Term:	13 February – 22 February
Term Ends:	Friday 27 March
2025-26 Summer Term	
Term starts:	Monday 13 April
Bank Holiday:	Monday 4 May
Half Term:	25 May – 29 May
Term Ends:	Friday 17 July

Bingo/Raffle Prize Donations needed!

We are kindly asking parents and carers for donations of raffle prizes for our upcoming Bingo night on Thursday 23 April from 5-7pm. Unwanted gifts and any contributions, big or small, would be greatly appreciated and will help make the event a fun and successful evening for everyone. Money raised will go to our school charities. Thank you for your continued support!

Student Leadership Team

SchoolGateway

As we are a cash free school all payments and consent for trips, visits, performances, food technology and catering are completed via the SchoolGateway app.



Book Club

Monday, Wednesday & Friday mornings
 8:10-8:35am in Room 101
 Everyone is welcome!