



# St Walburga's Catholic Primary School

# Newsletter



Number 7

Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Dear Parent and Carers,

It's been another busy week in school! There have been quite a few sporting competitions lately. Last Thursday, representatives from Year 5 and Year 6 went to the Cross Country competition at Littledown. On Monday, the Year 6 football team played a match against Epiphany. Mr Browne writes: *'The boys faced a good opposition in Epiphany, who put us to the test. It was an exciting game with lots of goals and St Walburga's came out with a 6-3 win! Our team played with courage and worked as a team to win the game, despite going behind early in the game. Thank you to Epiphany for hosting us again, and for an enjoyable experience for all of the children!'*



### Parents' evening

You should all have received a letter inviting you to book an appointment to attend one of our Parents' evenings – either in person on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October or on Teams on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October. If you haven't already booked, please do so via WisePay.

**Please note, children should not attend these appointments.** I hope that we will be able to offer you your preference for in person or online, but please be understanding if the slots have already been booked! Just a reminder that if you miss your appointment, the staff will be unable to reschedule as they have so many parents to see. The Microsoft Teams logins for Reception children were sent home this week, all other year groups were reset in September and were issued on a green card, please check you are able to log in before the 23<sup>rd</sup> October.

### Photographs

Just a reminder that the photographer will be in school on Monday, 20<sup>th</sup> October to take individual photographs. Please ensure your child comes to school looking smart.

### Year 6 parents

The deadline to apply for a secondary school place for your child is 31<sup>st</sup> October – please make sure you have completed all the necessary paperwork by then.

### Year 6 residential

Year 6 parents – you can pay for the residential trip (next June) in instalments via WisePay.

### School meal deadline

The deadline to book hot school meals for the first week back after half term is Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> October. If you miss this deadline, please ensure that you send you child in with a packed lunch for the first week after half term.

### Echoes of Singing and Music

We have been asked to advertise an evening of singing and music, featuring Montserrat Castro, at the Annunciation church on Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> October. Doors open at 6.30 and the performance starts at 7.00pm. The ensemble are also looking for new members age 8-20

years old for performing in two concerts, 25<sup>th</sup> October (the one mentioned above) and 27<sup>th</sup> in our traditional Christmas Concert.

### Starting school in September 2026

If your child's date of birth is between 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022 they are due to start in Reception in 2026! Please join us for a 'stay and play session' with your child from 3.30- 4.30pm on Thursday, 6th November. Please contact the school office about an Open session - **it is really important that you attend**, even if you have a sibling at the school, as the Admission Process is explained. Please spread the word among your friends who may have children due to start school.

### Life Education Van

**Some of you may remember Gerald the Giraffe from your own school days – I am sure you will all remember how excited your child was when we had the visit from the Life Education van last year. We have booked the van again for the week after half term. It's a really expensive resource but we know how much the children learn and enjoy it. We will be paying more than half of the cost ourselves, but would really appreciate any donations you are able to make via WisePay – we are asking for £5.00 per child but please give what you can. Many thanks.**

Well done to the children in St Anne's house who have won this half term's house point challenge and can wear mufti (including something blue) next Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> October. (Reception parents – your child is in St Anne's if they have a blue rocket sticker chart on their locker!)

### Well done to our Stars of the Week

#### Super Role Model:

RJ: Matlida; RP: Noah; 1JC: Layla; 1WH: Maisie; 2NW: Tori; 2MS: Chloe; 3NL: All of 3NL; 3BN: All of 3BN; 4CM: Isabella; 4PM: Elijah; 5JC: Harrison; 5RH: Lindsay; 6KB: Ollie; 6HT: Daniel .

#### Learning Champion:

RJ: Arlo; RP: Albie; 1JC: Gemma; 1WH: Sapphy; 2NW: Lily; 2MS: Kai; 3NL: Conor; 3BN: Jakub G; 4CM: Mattias; 4PM: Franklin; 5JC: Elsie; 5RH: Lily; 6KB: Abigail; 6HT: Alesia.

### Dates for your diary:

Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	2.15pm	6KB Celebration of the Word – parents and carers welcome
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	am	School Photographer
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	2.15pm	6HT Celebration of the Word – parents and carers welcome.
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup> Oct	3.30- 7.00pm	Parents' Evening -In person
Thurs 23 <sup>rd</sup> Oct	3.30- 7.00pm	Parents' Evening- on Microsoft Teams
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	2.30pm	Second Hand Uniform Sale
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup> Oct	2.50pm	Children break up for half term
Mon 3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	8.40am	Children return to school
Tues 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	9.00am	Life Education team arrive for the week
Thurs 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	3.30 -4.30	Stay and Play session for parents and children due to start school in Set 26

Wishing you a lovely weekend with your family.

*Veronica Woodward*

Veronica Woodward  
Headteacher

Malvern Road, Bournemouth, BH9 3BY

Tel: 01202 528811

email: office@stwalburgasprimary.co.uk

Website: stwalburgas.bournemouth.sch.uk