



St Chad's Catholic Primary School

26th June 2026

Weekly Newsletter

Dear Parents,

This week has certainly been unprecedented!

Thank you for bearing with us this week as we have navigated the extreme heat and done our very best to keep the children in school as much as possible. The classrooms have been unbearably hot; however, we are fortunate to have some shaded areas on the grass, and our teachers have been wonderfully inventive in finding ways to keep everyone as cool and comfortable as possible. St Brigid and St James are lucky enough to have air conditioning!

I think everyone has coped remarkably well. While we all love the summer sunshine, it will be good to return to more normal temperatures.

The PTFA has rescheduled its Summer Celebration event to **Friday 10th July after school**, and we look forward to seeing many of you there.

Despite the heat, it was wonderful to welcome our new Reception children and their families to St Chad's. We look forward to a long and happy partnership with you all.

Our EYFS children were an absolute joy to watch this morning. Their costumes were fantastic, and they sang beautifully. Thank you to our parents for your continued support and to the EYFS team for all their hard work, planning, and preparation in making the performance such a success.

Today's concert was particularly special, as it was **Ms Flavin's** final EYFS performance before she retires. It was definitely an emotional occasion, and we are incredibly grateful for her dedication and the lasting impact she has had on so many children and families over the years.

Yours in Christ—Tamsyn Lawlor

Croydon Athletics Competition

On Monday, a number of KS2 children attended the Croydon Athletics Competition at Croydon Arena. They took part in a variety of track and field events demonstrating determination, enthusiasm, and excellent sportsmanship throughout the day. Despite the very hot weather, all of the children performed brilliantly and showed great resilience within their event. They should be extremely proud of their efforts and the way they represented St Chad's. We had some excellent performances who gave their very best in their event. Well done to everyone who took part and helped make it a successful and enjoyable day.





Catholic Life



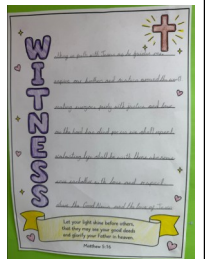
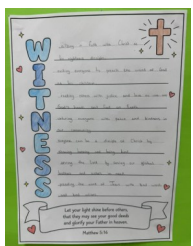
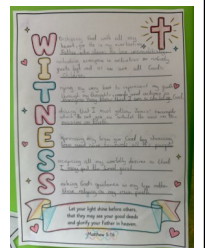
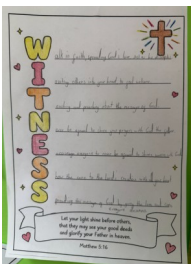
Adoration

On Monday, our children in Years 3–5 were blessed with the opportunity to spend time in Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament. In the busyness of everyday life, moments of stillness and quiet prayer are increasingly precious, and it was wonderful to see our children take time simply to be present with Jesus, reflecting, praying and listening in His presence. It was a peaceful and prayerful experience that allowed our pupils to deepen their relationship with Christ and encounter Him in a unique and meaningful way. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Angie and Pam, whose generosity and commitment make these opportunities possible. Without their time and dedication, this wonderful spiritual gift would not be able to come to St Chad's. We are truly blessed to be able to offer Adoration within our school, and we are deeply grateful for the role they play in nurturing the faith of our children.



Year 6 Faith in Action

In RE, Year 6, have been exploring what it means to be witnesses of God's love through their words and actions. They reflected on how they can live out their faith each day by showing kindness, compassion and respect to others. This learning has been closely linked to Catholic Social Teaching, reminding us that we are all called to uphold the dignity of every person and work together for the common good.



"My actions can help others see God's love."
Joshua



"I can be a light to others by living out the Gospel values."
Mary

Feast of St Peter & St Paul

This weekend, the Church celebrates the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul, two of the greatest saints of the early Church whose faith, courage and dedication helped to spread the Gospel throughout the world. Although the feast day is traditionally celebrated on 29th June, this year it has been transferred to **Sunday 28th June**.

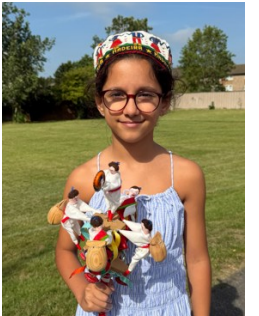
A number of our year groups will be attending **9:30am Mass at St Chad's Church** on Monday. Families are warmly invited to join us as we come together in prayer and celebrate the lives and witness of these two great saints. It is always a joy to see our school and parish united in worship.



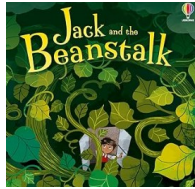
Multicultural Day



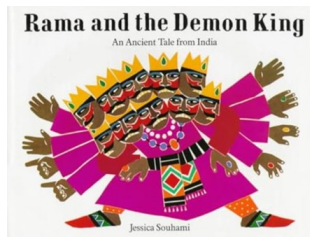
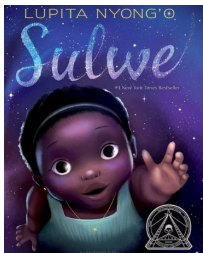
On Monday, our school was filled with colour, music and celebration as we enjoyed our Cultural Day. It was wonderful to see so many children proudly dressed in clothing that represented their home nation, heritage or cultural background. The vibrant array of traditional dress reflected the rich diversity that makes our school such a special place. One of the highlights of the day was our parade around the playground. The children looked absolutely fantastic, and it was a joy to see them proudly celebrating their cultures. At St Chad's, we are incredibly fortunate to be part of a school where families from many different countries, cultures and backgrounds come together. Our differences are something to be celebrated, and they make our community richer, stronger and more vibrant. By learning about one another's traditions, languages and experiences, we continue to grow in understanding, respect and friendship, truly living out our mission to **Grow in Love and Live in Peace.**



Years 3&4

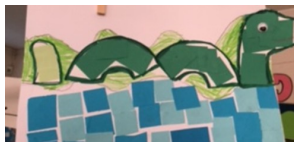
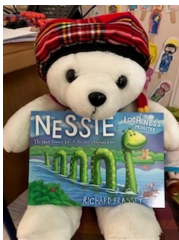


Year 3 and 4 children enjoyed listening to a range of engaging stories. They explored the ancient Indian tale Rama and the Demon King, the classic English fairy tale Jack and the Beanstalk, and Sulwe. They also followed the adventure in The Village That Vanished, developing enjoyment, imagination, and appreciation of diverse cultures and storytelling traditions.



Yr2

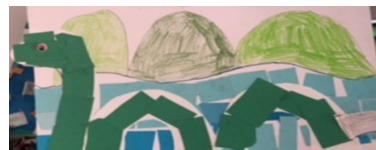
On Monday afternoon, as part of our International Day celebrations, Year 2 sat together in the shade of the Willow tree while Mrs Gant read a wonderful selection of fairy tales written by Hans Christian Andersen. We enjoyed listening to the magical stories in the sunshine before tucking into delicious scones with jam and clotted cream, as well as fairy cakes. We had a lovely time.



St Luke



Year 1 had fun learning about Scotland on multi cultural day; they listened to a story about the Loch Ness Monster, learnt a song about 'Nessie', had a go at dancing the Highland dance, made 'Nessie' art work and ate shortbread!



St Elizabeth

On Monday, Mrs Campbell read a story about Anansi the spider to St Elizabeth Class. Stories about Anansi originated in Ghana where they have been passed down through oral tradition for centuries. The stories were carried to the Caribbean where they have become a part of Caribbean folklore. The children enjoyed making Anansi spiders of their own!



Nursery News

Nursery visited Godstone farm on Tuesday and had the best day being farmers. We fed and stroked some of the animals and after lunch had a quick play before going on a dinosaur hunt. Although it was a hot day at school, we enjoyed a lovely breeze and even a couple of showers! Ms Flavin



Registration Group	Attendance %
St Mary Nur	96.4
St Peter Rec	99
St Ann Rec	100
St Elizabeth	100
St Luke	99.5
St Martha	100
St John Paul	94.8
St John Bosco	94.8
St Martin	100
St Catherine	99.1
St Andrew	89.6
St James	98.9
St Therese	98.2
St Brigid	98.6
Totals	97.6



Regular attendance at school is vital so that children can progress in their learning and friendships. If your child is unwell, please leave a message on the answer phone or email the office by **8am**. The office staff check registers and must follow up on any unexplained absences by 9.15am, so your cooperation with this is appreciated.

Routine medical and dental appointments should be scheduled for outside school time. Holidays in school time cannot be authorised.

Well done to St Elizabeth, St Ann & St Martha in the infants and St Martin in the Juniors.

CONGRATULATIONS!

Headteacher's Award



St Luke	Uatiza, Aaliyah
St Elizabeth	Rudi, Desire
St Martha	Oliwia, Tofunmi
St John Paul	Psalm, Ronel
St John Bosco	Ryeden, Junior
St Martin	Louis, Jayden
St Catherine	Liora, Mathilda
St James	Iris, Manny
St Andrew	Derick, Ebose
St Brigid	Karis, Serena
St Therese	Cressida, Michael

Gospel Value



St Luke	Kaiden, Amanda, Destiny
St Elizabeth	Azai, Merrick, Belul
St Martha	David, Shasanth, Olamaria
St John Paul	Natalia, Melody, Ade
St John Bosco	Ryeden, Christly, Makeeba
St Martin	Wyshown, Leonard, Odera
St Catherine	Keziah, Choyce, Ire
St James	Elijah, Akonobea, Manny
St Andrew	Marisha, Bella, Siena
St Brigid	Aista, Joseph, Joshua
St Therese	Michael, Tony, Inam

Next two weeks at St Chad's

Monday 29th June	Reception – school visits TL and SD – Oxford with a group of 4 pupils
Tuesday 30th June	Reception – School visits
Wednesday 1st July	Junior athletics @ St James the Great
Thursday 2nd July	Infant Athletics @ STB Y5 meeting re PGL @ 5pm
Friday 3rd July	
Monday 6th July	Cricket festival Y4 2pm – Rocksteady concert
Tuesday 7th July	SATs results
Wednesday 8th July	
Thursday 9th July	Yr6 Production –A Hint of Snow White 6:30pm
Friday 10th July	Reports out Postponed PTFA summer celebration event

CRYSTAL PALACE ACADEMY

POST-SEASON SESSIONS 2026



Fill the break with football, new skills and new friends this June & July at the Academy.

26 June

3 July

10 July

24 July

PALACE WORLD CUP MASTERS

Small-sided matches, World Cup-style formats, medals. Play a new team each week.

u8-u12 - 5-6pm - From £40 per session



TECHNICAL POSITIONAL TRAINING

4-session programme to sharpen technique, decision-making, and positional awareness.

u12-u16 - 6:15-7:15pm - From £40 per session



GIRLS: PLAY LIKE A PRO

Match-based sessions, small-sided games, real game situations. More touches, more creativity

u8-u16 - 7:30-8:45pm - From £40 per session



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STEPPING FORWARD
JOURNEY TO ADULTHOOD

FREE SEND EVENT

AN EVENT FOR PARENTS, CARERS AND YOUNG PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS OR DISABILITIES, WHO ARE TRANSITIONING TO SECONDARY SCHOOL OR COLLEGE

Hosted by Croydon Council's Independent Travel Trainers

Gain valuable information from our dedicated team and staff, meet local support groups and explore opportunities to support your young person's independent skills.

WEDNESDAY 22ND JULY 2026
VENUE: BRAITHWAITE HALL, KATHERINE STREET, CRO 1NX
10:30AM - 13:30PM

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FOR MORE INFORMATION EMAIL: TRAVELTRAINING@CROYDON.GOV.UK

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Croydon Council would like to invite parents and carers of Year 6 children, with special needs and disabilities to our event on 22nd July 2026 at Braithwaite Hall.

The event will enable attendees to look at way in which they can develop the independence of young people with SEN as they move towards adulthood. Whether transitioning to secondary school, Post-16 or adult learning we feel it is important that young people are able to explore their independence and options.

You can book on Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/stepping-forward-journey-to-adulthood-tickets-1986516630718?aff=oddtcreator>

ONLINE PARENT/CARER WEBINARS

Jointly run by Off The Record and Croydon Drop In

Join us online for the following free workshops. Sign up via Eventbrite by scanning the QR code below. Cameras and microphones can be turned off.



Supporting your Child with School Transitions

Wed 3rd June 1:30pm

Helping your Child with Anxiety and Worries

Wed 10th June 1:30pm

Helping your Child with Common Behaviour

Challenges (Primary age)

Wed 17th June 1:30pm

Introduction to Neurodivergence

Wed 24th June 1:30pm

Supporting your Young Person with Low Mood

Wed 1st July 1:30pm



TALK TO US



Are you OK
Croydon?



You Talk,
We Listen
Croydon Drop In

St Chad's Wrap Around Provision



Hope's Haven
St Chad's Catholic Primary School
Breakfast & After-School Club

Breakfast Club
Open from 7:30am - £6 per session

After-School Club
Open Until 6:00pm - £12.50 per session

**Discount for Full Wraparound Care
(Breakfast & After-School)**
£16 per day

10% Discounts for Siblings

Club Manager
Stephanie Odewale

Starting
2nd September 2025

To make a booking for your child
please email Mrs Odewale at
wac@stchadsprimaryschool.com

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us.

