



# Lent and Easter Newsletter

We are fast approaching Easter and the days are getting brighter!  
Here are some updates for the last couple of weeks of Spring Term.

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Our values learnt  
from St Joseph are:

Work hard  
Love  
Learn

## RE Inspection

Thank you for your wonderful comments in our inspection questionnaire. Your support is so appreciated and we wouldn't be what we are without such amazing families! I'll send out the final report as soon as it becomes available.

## Big Lent Walk and Cake Sale

All cake donations welcome on morning of 25<sup>th</sup> March.  
Big Lent Walk from 2pm in school followed by cake sale.



## Easter bonnet / Decorated Egg competition

Pupils can choose to decorate an Easter bonnet or decorate an egg if they wish. Please bring all entries to school office on

## Comic Relief

Pupils can come to school in something red on March 20<sup>th</sup> (Friday this week) for a suggested donation of £1 to comic relief.

## Parents' Evening

Thank you for attending our Spring Parents' Evening. SEND reviews are coming up next week.

## Lenten Celebrations of the Word

All welcome!

- Year 1 /2 – April 1<sup>st</sup> 8.40 am
- Year 3 /4 April 1<sup>st</sup> 2.30 pm
- Year 5 /6 Stations of the Cross April 2<sup>nd</sup> 2pm

Date:	Event
<b>March</b>	
19 <sup>th</sup>	St Joseph's Day
20 <sup>th</sup>	Comic Relief
Week of 23 <sup>rd</sup>	SEND reviews and parent consultations (for pupils on SEND register)
24 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Festival
25 <sup>th</sup>	Big Lent walk
31 <sup>st</sup>	Year 5 Big Sing at St Thomas More
<b>April</b>	
1st	Year 1 /2 Holy Week Celebration of the word 8.40am
1st	Year 3 /4 Lenten Celebration of the word 2.30pm
2nd	Year 5/6 Stations of the cross 2pm
2 <sup>nd</sup> April	School closes today 3pm
20th	School re-opens for Summer Term
23 <sup>rd</sup>	St Thomas More Welcome Evening
<b>May</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Bank holiday – school closed
11 <sup>th</sup>	SATs week Year 6
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Gateshead Fun Run – KS2
22 <sup>nd</sup>	School closes for half term 3pm
<b>June</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	School re-opens
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sports Day (all day)
1 <sup>st</sup> – 12 <sup>th</sup>	Year 4 multiplication check fortnight
8 <sup>th</sup>	Year 1 Phonics Test week
22 <sup>nd</sup>	School closed for occasional day
Week of 29 <sup>th</sup>	SEND Reviews week
30 <sup>th</sup>	Year 6 Transition visit STM
<b>July</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Year 6 Transition visit STM
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Year 5 Trust Celebration of Sport
13 <sup>th</sup>	Reports sent out today
16th	Year 6 leavers' assembly in school 2pm
17th	Year 6 Leavers' mass in church 10am
17th	School closes for Summer 3pm



## TERM DATES 2025/2026

AUTUMN TERM		
Term	Start Date	Finish Date
Autumn One	Monday 1st September 2025 <i>Children return Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept</i>	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 <i>Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October school closed</i>
Half Term	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> October 2025	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> October 2025
Autumn Two	Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Christmas Holiday	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December 2024	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2026

SPRING TERM		
Term	Start Date	Finish Date
Spring One	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Half Term	Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Spring Two	Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March 2026	Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April 2026
Easter Holiday	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2026

SUMMER TERM		
Term	Start Date	Finish Date
Summer One	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 <i>Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday</i>	Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May 2026
Half Term	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2026 <i>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May – Bank Holiday</i>	Friday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
Summer Two	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026 <i>Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> June School closed</i>	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2026
Summer Holiday	Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> July 2026	Proposed date of return Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2026

Public Holidays:	
Christmas Day	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Boxing Day	Tuesday 26 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
New Year's Day	Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> January 2026
Good Friday	Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April 2026
Easter Monday	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> April 2026
May Day	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
Spring Bank Holiday	Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2026
August Bank Holiday	Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> August 2026

The number of term days shown is 194. **Four days within the above school terms are to be used for Professional Development (PD) days when pupils will not attend.**

The new school year will begin on Monday 1st September 2025 for staff and Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025 for pupils.