



St Pius Spotlight



'To renew all things in Christ'

26.09.25

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we move closer to Half Term, it is lovely to reflect and see all of the achievements, progress and positivity that our pupils have shown so far this year.

This week sees the return of Mass in school, on Thursday 2nd October at 9.15am. The children and staff have been preparing for this and Fr. John is very excited to be sharing this special and Holy time with us again. All parents, carers and family are welcome to attend Mass in school.

Thank you so much for your effort with school uniforms. Please can we be mindful of ensuring that children are only wearing school hoodies on PE days and that they have appropriate footwear?

As we move into the winter months, you may wish to send in a spare pair of shoes/wellies for playtimes in case of bad weather.

We are still in need of supporters to join the PTFA and if anyone feels they could serve as a foundation governor for the school, you may enquire at the office.

As crazy as it seems, the Christmas season is rapidly approaching! Thank you for all of the donations today in school for the Christmas Fayre. If you have any raffle prizes you wish to donate, they can be brought in to school at any time. If anyone knows of any local business that may wish to donate, please let me know.

Just a reminder that our parent information evening to learn more about Phonics is on Tuesday 30th September 2025 at 3.30pm. If you wish to discuss anything else while there, such as teaching times tables or maths, please let me know.

Best wishes as always,

Miss Hudson

School Milk

If your child would like milk from September and they are over the age of 5, please can you register them with Cool Milk? [Parents - Cool Milk](https://coolmilk.com/parents/) (https://coolmilk.com/parents/)

If you need any support with this, you can email or call the office directly and Mrs Howe will be happy to help.

Our November INSET day has had to move due to training needs to Friday 24th October 2025. This does mean that children will break up for October half term a day earlier. If this change causes you any inconvenience, please let us know.



In this week's Gospel, Jesus tells us of the strength we need to serve Him.

St Pius X, pray for us.



Safeguarding Reminder

Safeguarding the children in our care is one of the school's main responsibilities, one that St Pius takes very seriously.

As you may already be aware, our Designated Safeguarding Lead is Miss Hudson. You can speak to her by phone, make an appointment via the school office, or catch her when she's outside greeting/saying goodbye to children, if you ever have a concern.

We have three Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads in school these are Miss Grogan (Assistant Headteacher and/Class 3 teacher), Mrs Stokoe (Executive Headteacher) and Mrs Crilly (Class 1 Teacher). If you are unable to speak to Miss Hudson, you can speak to these members of staff or any other member of staff about your concern(s).

The school has an updated Safeguarding policy, that can be found on the school website, or paper copies can be requested from the school office. All staff receive annual safeguarding refresher training, as well as other training throughout the year on key areas, including record keeping and reporting.

Our school also has a termly visit from our Safeguarding Consultant, who completes an audit of the school's safeguarding and identifies any future improvements or training needs.

Why do parents need to know this information?

- To reassure you that we take keeping our children safe in school very seriously at St. Pius.
- It's good to remind parents/carers of the key members of staff, in case new parents did not know who they were.
- To highlight the continual work that the school puts into keeping our children safe in school.

Additional information can be found on our website:

info@stpx.bwcet.com

Attendance

During celebration assembly on Friday, we have been celebrating whole class attendance and each week the class with the highest attendance will receive our Anna the Attendance Cat to live in their class all week! Well done to Class 2 who won this week.



Week beginning: Monday 22nd September 2025	
Year group	Attendance percentage
Class 1	97.5%
Class 2	99.1%
Class 3	92.8%
Class 4	98.6%



Our overall school attendance this week was 97%. Our attendance target is 97%.

Breakfast and After School Clubs

Please remember to book on to clubs in advance. This is for safeguarding purposes as it is essential that we have an accurate register at the beginning of the session.

In an emergency, please contact the office to let them know that your child will be attending.

If you have any issues accessing Arbor, please speak to Mrs Howe or Mrs Pinkerton and they will be happy to help.

info@stpx.bwcet.com 01207 503 604

Spotlight Celebration

School life this week



This week, Year 6 and their Reception Buddies have been sharing their friendship with us. They wowed their grown ups in the Buddy Assembly and we are so proud of how confident they are!

Please note, some sharing permissions are pending for some children.

In this section, we celebrate our achievements both in and out of school. If you have something you would like us to share for your child—an achievement, work of art, event they attended - please send it to school via email and we will include it in the newsletter!

Dates for Your Diary

30.09.25: Parent information evening—Reading and Phonics 3.30pm

02.10.25: Whole school mass in School 9am—all welcome

08.10.25: Class 2 Assembly 9am

17.10.25: Class 3 Celebration of the Word 2.45pm (followed by Coffee and chat)

20.10.25 and 21.10.25: Parents evening Autumn Term 3.30–5.30pm

23.10.25: Non-Uniform Day—Bring a bottle

24.10.25: INSET Day (moved from 28th November 2025)

HALF TERM 24.10.25–03.11.25

03.11.25: Pumpkin Disco after school 3.30–4.30pm £1 per ticket

06.11.25: KS2 Mass at St Pius X Church—all are welcome 9.30am

07.11.25: Class 2 Celebration of the Word 2.45pm (followed by Coffee and chat)

10.11.25: Odd sock day

11.11.25: Remembrance Day Service in School 10.30am

12.11.25: Class 3 Assembly 9am

21.11.25: Class 1 Celebration of the Word 2.45pm (followed by Coffee and chat)

26.11.25: Class 4 Assembly 9am

28.11.25: Non-Uniform Day—Bring in toys/crafts/chocolates

05.12.25: Non-Uniform Day— Bring in toys/crafts/chocolates

11.12.25: Christmas Jumper Day

12.12.25: Christmas Fayre

16.12.25: Class 1 and 2 Nativity

17.12.25: Class 3 and 4 Carol Concert and Christmas Raffle

18.12.25: Pantomime Trip

19.12.25: Christmas Party Morning

19.12.25: Whole school Mass in school 1.30pm—all are welcome

CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS 20.12.25–04.01.26

05.01.26: Spring Term begins

16.01.26: Class 1 Celebration of the Word 2.45pm (followed by Coffee and chat)

21.01.26: Class 4 Assembly 9am

30.01.26: Class 2 Celebration of the Word 2.45pm (followed by Coffee and chat)

04.02.26: Class 3 Assembly 9am

06.02.26: Non-uniform day—bring a bottle

HALF TERM 21.02.26–01.03.26

Dates for Your Diary Continued

05.03.26: World Book Day

06.03.26: Class 3 Celebration of the Word 2.45pm (followed by Coffee and chat)

11.03.26: Class 2 Assembly 9am

13.03.26: Non-uniform day—crafts, chocolates, toys

16.03.26 and 17.03.26: Parents evening Spring Term 3.30–5.30pm

20.03.26: Class 4 Celebration of the Word 2.45pm (followed by Coffee and chat)

25.03.26: Class 1 Assembly 9am

30.03.26: Palm Sunday Procession 2.45pm

02.04.26: Easter Raffle and Easter Egg Competition awards 2pm

EASTER HOLIDAYS 03.04.26–19.04.26

20.04.26: Summer Term begins

24.04.26: Class 2 Celebration of the Word 2.45pm (followed by Coffee and chat)

29.04.26: Class 3 Assembly 9am

06.05.26: Class 4 Assembly 9am

08.05.26: Non-uniform day—bring a bottle

11.05.26–14.05.26: KS2 SATs

15.05.26: Class 1 Celebration of the Word 2.45pm (followed by Coffee and chat)

22.05.26: Pentecost Procession 2.45pm

22.05.26: Non-uniform day crafts, chocolates, toys

HALF TERM 23.05.26–31.05.26

05.06.26: Class 4 Celebration of the Word 2.45pm (followed by Coffee and chat)

10.06.26: Class 1 Assembly

12.06.26: Non-uniform day—bring a bottle

19.06.26: Class 3 Celebration of the Word 2.45pm (followed by Coffee and chat)

24.06.26: Class 2 Assembly

26.06.26: Non-uniform day—crafts, chocolates, toys

01.07.26–02.07.26: St Bede's Transition days for Year 6

02.07.26: Transition day in school

03.07.26: Non-uniform day—£1 contribution

10.07.26: Sports Day and School Fayre

13.07.26: School Raffle Draw 2pm

14.07.26: Year 6 Leavers Mass—Time TBC

16.07.26: Year 6 Leavers Performance 4pm

Monday 20th July - Monday 31st August - Summer Holidays 2026