

Bulletin 16.01.26

Dear God,

As we reflect on the Baptism of the Lord, we thank You for the gift of new beginnings and the calling You place on each of us.

Just as Jesus emerged from the waters of the Jordan filled with the Holy Spirit, help us to recognise our own purpose, dignity, and mission.

Guide us to act with compassion, justice, and courage in all we do.

May our school community grow in faith, hope and love this term.

Amen

Welcome Message

Welcome to the end of another positive and purposeful week at All Saints. Pupils have returned with excellent focus and it has been wonderful to see so many engaging in lessons and enrichment opportunities. Our Progress Leaders have continued to reinforce expectations around behaviour, uniform and effort, ensuring that we maintain the high standards that help all pupils succeed.

This Week's Assembly Focus

This week, assemblies have centred on the Baptism of the Lord and the theme of *calling and purpose*. Pupils reflected on how they can use their gifts to serve others, grow in faith and contribute positively to their school community.

English Trip to The Lowry Theatre

Our English department took a group of pupils to the Lowry Theatre this week to watch *To Kill a Mockingbird*. Pupils enjoyed the performance and deepened their understanding of themes such as justice and prejudice. Many patrons of the theatre spoke to teaching staff to praise the conduct and behaviour of the pupils who attended making us very proud as a community.

Year 9 - Brilliant Club Seminar

Selected Year 9 pupils took part in their next Brilliant Club session, focusing on the challenging university-style question: **“Can texts fight Colonialism and Inequality?”**

Pupils analysed a range of texts and visual sources addressing colonialism and migration, their discussions demonstrated impressive maturity and critical thinking.

Year 10 – Manchester University Experience

Year 10 pupils visited the University of Manchester for an academic experience day, broadening their horizons and giving them a taste of Year 13-level study. Pupils attended seminars, met current students and gained valuable insight into university life and future pathways.

Year 9 Parents' Evening

A huge thank you to all Year 9 parents and carers who attended Parents' Evening this week. Your continued support plays a vital role in ensuring that pupils stay on track with their progress and prepare effectively for the important choices ahead during the Options process. Options evening will be held in the school hall on 5th February 5- 5:30pm

GCSE Language Entries – Additional Languages

If your child speaks any additional language at home or in the community, they may be eligible to sit a GCSE qualification in that language.

This is an excellent opportunity for pupils to gain an additional GCSE by using the language skills they already possess.

If your child is in Years 9, 10, or 11, please contact Mr Jones so that the necessary arrangements can be made:ajones@allsaintscatholiccollege.com

Catholic Life

This week's Catholic Life activities have built on the themes of the Epiphany and the Baptism of the Lord.

Year 11 Charity Focus – Maisie Moo's Missions

Our Year 11 charity focus continues to be **Maisie Moo's Missions**, a cause especially close to our school community.

Year 11 pupils are currently working with great enthusiasm to organise a charity event in honour of Maisie's birthday at the end of the month. Their dedication, teamwork, and

compassion reflect our school values of faith and family, further details will be shared with families very soon.

ASAP – Achievement Points

Congratulations to the following pupils who earned the most All Saints Achievement Points this week, gaining a queue jump pass for next week:

Fluer J & Harriet M 7JP

Nevah B 8K

Sam L 9K

Jessica B 10R

Grace O 11R & Elyssia H 11K

Attendance

Well done to this week's top-attending form groups:

7K & Mrs Grundy - 96.7%* top attending form in the school

8K & Mrs Dawson - 95.7%

9W & Mrs Dolan - 95.3%

10K & Ms Bullock - 94.8%

11W & Mr Mardiana / Ms Jones - 92.8%

Excellent attendance makes a significant difference to progress, and we thank all parents and carers for their ongoing partnership. 7Kolbe received their end of day reward in PM registration this afternoon.

Save the Date!

- Year 9 Parents' Evening – Thank you to all who attended!
- Chrity football tournament -29th January
- Year 11 mock examinations 2nd february – 13th February
- End of Half term 13th February
- Options Evening – Thursday 5th February 2026
- Big Lent Walk - Friday 13th February
- Year 11 Parents' Evening – Thursday 26th February 2026

Thank you for your ongoing support,

Ms Gilligan