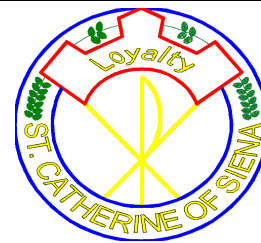


# St Catherine of Siena Primary School

## Newsletter



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6<sup>th</sup> February 2026

### Half Term: Monday 16<sup>th</sup> – Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2026

#### Diary for school week commencing 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026

**Monday:**

**Tuesday:**

**Wednesday:**

3.15-4.15: Cricket

**Thursday:**

3.15-4.15: Dance & Drama

**Friday:** Celebration assembly

3.15-4.15: Football



	R	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
	85.5	95.3	99.0	94.0	92.3	94.5	94.0
Lates	4	0	1	11	3	6	2

Congratulations to Year 2 for having the best attendance this week.

We have celebrated with over 100 children who have managed to be in school everyday this half term! What a great achievement. Across the half term all our classes have had cumulative attendance that is above, at or close to 96%. This is a real improvement and we hope that this continues as we move into the next half term. Well done everyone!

### This Week

This week we have been learning about our mental health and how to help ourselves in staying healthy. Our assembly on Monday was all about belonging and how we belong to the community of St Catherine's. All our children know that simple acts such as smiling at someone, saying hello or inviting someone to play are all easy ways to make someone feel welcome. It makes me very proud when I see how kind and welcoming our children are to each other.

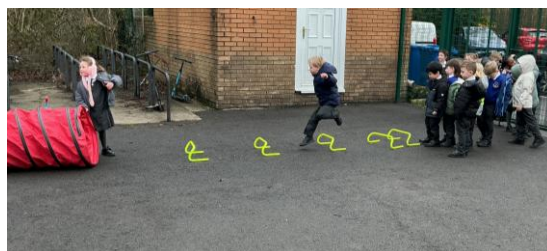
On Tuesday it was Internet Safety Day. Following on from the performance we had in school a couple of weeks ago, our children have been learning about AI and the advantages and disadvantages we find. Our KS2 classes joined a live lesson delivered by the BBC on Tuesday. It was very informative and the children got a lot from it. On Wednesday, our PTA hosted a very successful Friendship Party for both key stages. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and had a great time. A big thanks to all the volunteers who gave up their time to come and support the event and make it such a success.

This week Miss McKiernan has looked at science across school and spoken to children about their learning and what they enjoy about science. The children were very positive and really, really enjoy the practical element of science where they can try things out and carry out investigations.

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I was outside on the KS2 playground at lunchtime this week and saw some very exciting activities going on with our Y6 playleaders. Our Y6s do a great job of giving up their lunchtimes to come and lead games and activities with our younger children. Thank you Y6!

A big well done to our home award children who have achieved outside of school this week.



Active Sport is pleased to confirm the after-school clubs running at **St Catherine's Primary School** from **week commencing 23rd February to week commencing 30th March**. All clubs are open to **KS1 and KS2** pupils and are delivered by experienced, DBS-checked coaches in a fun, safe and supportive environment.

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## After School Club Timetable

### Wednesday – Cricket (KS1 & KS2)

A fun and engaging cricket club focusing on batting, bowling, fielding and teamwork through age-appropriate games and activities. Suitable for all abilities.

**Price: £33 for 6 weeks** - <https://www.sportsoftware.io/event?eventId=5783>

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### Thursday – Dance & Drama (KS1 & KS2)

A creative and energetic club combining dance and drama. Children will explore movement, performance, expression and confidence through routines, games and drama-based activities.

**Please note:** This club will **not run on Thursday 26th March**.

**Price: £27.50 for 5 weeks** - <https://www.sportsoftware.io/event?eventId=5784>

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### Friday – Football (KS1 & KS2)

A popular football club focusing on skill development, teamwork and match play in a fun and inclusive environment, suitable for all abilities.

**Please note:** This club will **not run on Friday 3rd April**.

**Price: £27.50 for 5 weeks** - <https://www.sportsoftware.io/event?eventId=5785>

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Spaces are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. We recommend booking early to avoid disappointment.

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On 26<sup>th</sup> February, straight after school, at 3:30pm, we are holding our PTA meeting. We invite all parents along to the meeting to hear about the fund raising events that are planned and to suggest ideas for future fundraising events. It is always good to have new faces and ideas for raising funds for school.

Many of these things could not happen without the support of the parents who support our PTA in the planned events we have. Thank you for all your support and we look forward to seeing you at the meeting on the 26<sup>th</sup>



This year your child will have the opportunity to create beautiful handmade gifts for the special women in their lives. Gifts cost £3.50 each and can be purchased by sending cash in an envelope with your child's name and class on the front, with the completed reply slip inside. Please complete the order form and return with your money by

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026**

**No orders will be taken after this date.**



Year 4 will lead an assembly on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> March at 9.05 a.m. followed by a coffee morning. Can we please ask for cake donations, from our Year 4 families, to be brought in on the morning of the 3<sup>rd</sup>? Thank you.



The Sacramental Programme session 2 will take place, in our Year 4 classroom, on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> March at 3.30 p.m. for our Y4 pupils who are making their 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion later this year. Parents/grandparents are welcome to attend.

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# WORLD BOOK DAY

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We will be celebrating World Book Day on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March. Children can dress up as either:

- characters based on the books/theme their class have been studying
- or
- a character from their favourite book – children should bring this favourite book into school

As part of World Book Day children will be sharing their favourite book with another child in school. They will be reminded to bring their favourite book in in the days leading up to World Book Day.



The Book Fair will be at our school on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March and will be held in the hall after school on Friday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The book range is truly out of this world! There are over 200 titles for you and your child to browse through and with prices starting from only £2.99, there is sure to be a book for everyone to enjoy! Don't forget that every book you buy can help to get FREE BOOKS for our school.

**Please note that only cash can be accepted at the Book Fair.** The children will be able to use the Book day £1 vouchers to put towards a book. We look forward to seeing you there.



Tues 24<sup>th</sup> February – With You Always Session 1 at church  
Thurs 26<sup>th</sup> February: PTA Meeting – 3.30  
Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> March: Y4 Assembly & Coffee Morning  
Wed 4<sup>th</sup> March: With You Always, Session 2 – 3.30  
Thurs 5<sup>th</sup> March: World Book Day  
Wed 11<sup>th</sup> March: With You Always, Session 3 – 3.30  
Fri 13<sup>th</sup> March: Own Clothes Day – Chocolate donations  
Fri 13<sup>th</sup> March: Reception Assembly & Coffee Morning  
16<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> March: Y6 Residential – Low Bank Ground  
Wed 1<sup>st</sup> April: With You Always, Session 4 – 3.30

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# YOUNG MINDS

2 min read

Welcome to our mailing list – it's good to have you here. We'll be sending you all the latest updates, guides and advice on how you can support young people's mental health.

First up, **are you a parent or carer?** [Let us know so we can better support you.](#)

Parents and carers are often the first place young people go when they're struggling – whether that's relationships, school or their mental health.

However experienced you are, it can be hard to know the right thing to say when someone you love is hurting, or what next steps to take.

**This Children's Mental Health Week, we want parents and carers to know that help's out there.**

Our [Parents Helpline](#) advisors are just a click or phone call away with free, expert, confidential, 1-1 advice. And we have hundreds of [online guides](#) and [real stories](#) from parents who get it.

**Here are some of the top concerns parents talk to us about:**

**School avoidance**

**Talking to your child**

**Anxiety**

**Low mood**

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# PTA Newsletter



## THIS WEEK

What a night! Wednesday's disco was an absolute blast!

Thank you so much for everyone who volunteered, whether it was planning and organising the event, volunteering their precious time on the night or by clearing up at the end, your help and time is what makes us be able to run our events. Your help doesn't go unnoticed- Thank you!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

You should have now received your order form for the upcoming Mother's Day event. Please return your slip and money to school by Friday 27th February.

Our next PTA meeting is Thursday 26th February in school at 3.30pm - please feel free to come along and begin our planning for the Summer Fair! 🌞😊



## WE NEED YOUR HELP

We are in need of a few Gazebo's to help support some of our upcoming events. Please if you have a second hand one you would like to donate or if your company/business would be in position to buy for our school, please let your class rep or school office know.



## KEEP IN TOUCH



Did you know that we have a PTA facebook page? Search 'St Catherine's of Siena PTA' and join us! If you would like to contact us about anything - feel free to email us at [stcatherineslowtonpta@gmail.com](mailto:stcatherineslowtonpta@gmail.com) or if you would like to get more involved join our volunteer WhatsApp group via your class rep.

## RAINY DAY JAR



Big congratulations to year 4 for collecting the most money for your classes rainy day resources 🏆  
Every little bit helps on a wet miserable day for the children at school, thank you to all who took part and donated ⭐

## SPONSORS

