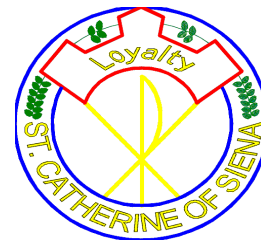


St Catherine of Siena Primary School

Newsletter



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9th October 2026

Diary for school week commencing 12th October 2026

Monday: Piano/Woodwind/Guitar/Violin Lessons

Tuesday: 8.00 a.m. - Judo

Wednesday:

3.15 – 4.15: Team Building

Thursday:

3.15-4.15: Ball Games

Friday: Celebration Assembly Y5 – Swimming Brass Lessons

3.15-4.15: Football



	R	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
%	94.23	96.77	98.67	98	93.55	96.67	96.67
Lates	0	3	0	1	5	4	5

Congratulations to Year 2 and Year 3 for having the best attendance this week.

This Week

Well done to our home award children who we celebrated with on Monday. I enjoyed hot chocolate with Isla, Esme Iris, Isla and Seb on Wednesday. We discussed the reasons their teachers had picked them – always being ready to learn, following instructions from adults, showing respect and always having a go at things, even if they are difficult. These children felt very proud of themselves, and so they should!

On Thursday the children had an assembly about the Mad Science Club. There were many exciting things happening in the hall and it sounded like great fun! The information about the club is on the newsletter if your child is interested in attending.

After school on Thursday the PTA held their AGM. They shared the total amount of money raised last year, which was an **amazing £8032.70**

Some of this will be used to renew the iPad lease and potentially increase the number of iPads in school for the children to use. The PTA are also going to help school to improve the playgrounds- this is something which we will look at this academic year.

Some of the monies donated already will go towards improving both KS1 and KS2 libraries, to provide more books for the children to read for pleasure.

Look out for details from the PTA on upcoming fund-raising events. These will be on the school newsletter, the PTA newsletter and through social media.

A really big thank you to all members of the PTA for their commitment and hard work throughout the year, raising an incredible amount of money to be spent on all the children at St Catherine's.

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SEND SURVEY

Wigan Local Area Partnership has been notified of an upcoming Ofsted and CQC Area SEND Inspection.

Inspectors are keen to hear directly from children and young people with SEND, parents and carers about their experiences of SEND services and support in Wigan as well as practitioners that support them. Wigan have asked us to share the link with families to allow as many responses to be collected as possible. If you have a child with SEND, they do not have to attend St Catherine's, please click on the link below and complete the survey.

<https://ofsted.smartsurvey.co.uk/p/AreaSend/10445335>

The survey is open from 6 October 2026 until 9:00am on 14 October 2026.



On Wednesday 21st October, Trikidz are coming to St Catherine's and all children in Years 1-6 will get to experience a fun Trikidz experience. The children will be outside doing this and will need to wear their PE/Games kit and trainers. They will also need a raincoat, because if the weather is a little wet, we will still be outside. Trikidz have stressed the importance of the correct footwear to enable the children to take part – trainers, not shoes or baseball boots will need to be worn. The children will be riding bikes which are on stands (like an exercise bike) – so they do not need to be able to ride a bike, they will be running a short distance. Obviously, they won't be able to swim – but they will do an activity in replace of this.

We will remind you again nearer the time for the need for PE kit and suitable footwear.



Harvest Festival - Food Bank Donations

In preparation for our harvest celebration we are collecting food for our local foodbank at St Catherine's and All Saints Church. Any donations should be brought to the main entrance where there will be a box for us to fill.

The items the foodbank are in need of are: ***tinned fruit or vegetables, rice pudding and long-life milk.***

Can any donations please be brought in to school by Thursday 22nd October.

Our harvest celebration will take place on Friday 23rd October at 9:15am.

All parents/families are invited to come and join this celebration with us.

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Join Active Sport for a fun half-term of after-school activities! Our clubs are open to **Reception, KS1 and KS2**, with activities adapted to suit different ages and abilities.

Each club runs for **five weekly sessions**, starting week commencing **2nd November** and finishing week commencing **30th November**, with the final sessions taking place on 2nd–4th December.

Wednesday – Dodgeball Club

Exciting games and team challenges to develop throwing, catching, dodging and teamwork.

Dates: 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th November and 2nd December.

<https://sportsoftware.io/event?eventId=6091>

Thursday – Fitness Club

Fun circuits, obstacle courses, relay races and movement challenges to build coordination, confidence and fitness.

Dates: 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th November and 3rd December.

<https://sportsoftware.io/event?eventId=6092>

Friday – Football Club

Practise dribbling, passing and shooting through fun activities and small-sided matches. All abilities are welcome!

Dates: 6th, 13th, 20th and 4th December – 4 weeks: **No Football club on 27th November.**

<https://sportsoftware.io/event?eventId=6093>

Please use the links above to view the booking details and secure your child's place.

Children should bring **suitable sports clothing, trainers and a named water bottle**, plus an extra layer for outdoor activities.

If you have any questions, please contact warrington@activesport.io.

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Mad Science After School Club

We will be offering a Mad Science After School Club on

WEDNESDAYS at 3:15pm-4:15pm

On the following dates:

Wednesday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th November; 2nd & 9th December (6 weeks)

The deadline for registrations is 15/10/26. You can register your children online at the following link on a first-come, first-served basis:

<https://northengland.madscience.org/parents-register-a.aspx>

Payment by instalments is available. If you have any problems or queries with booking, please call Mad Science directly on 01772 628844, and they will be happy to help!



Wednesday 21st October – Halloween Disco

Friday 23rd October – Harvest Festival

Half Term: Monday 26th – Friday 30th October 2026

Monday 26th – Wednesday 28th October – Active Sport's Autumn Active Camp

Tuesday 3rd November – Parent/Teacher Meetings, details to follow

Wednesday 11th November – Y6 Assembly & Coffee Morning

Friday 20th & 27th November – Own clothes day in support of Christmas Fair, details to follow

Friday 27th November – Christmas Fair

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AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

November – December 2026

Open to Reception, KS1 & KS2 | Dodgeball & Fitness: 5 sessions • Football: 4 sessions



WEDNESDAY • DODGEBALL

Fun team games, throwing, catching and dodging.

4, 11, 18 & 25 November • 2 December

<https://sportsoftware.io/event?eventId=6091>



THURSDAY • FITNESS

Circuits, obstacle courses, relays and movement challenges.

5, 12, 19 & 26 November • 3 December

<https://sportsoftware.io/event?eventId=6092>



FRIDAY • FOOTBALL

Dribbling, passing, shooting and small-sided matches.

6, 13 & 20 November • 4 December

No session on 27th November.

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BOOK YOUR CHILD'S PLACE

Use the club links above to view details and book.



All abilities welcome • Activities adapted for different ages



Bring sports clothing, trainers and a named water bottle.



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