



Date: Friday 9th October 2026

St Carlo Acutis Feast Day – Year 2 Pupils

On **Monday 12th October**, our Year 2 pupils will be celebrating the Feast Day of St Carlo Acutis, their class saint. To mark this special occasion, Year 2 children are invited to come to school in non-uniform and will enjoy a celebration and party in their classroom.

Individual & Sibling School Photographs – All Pupils

Our individual and sibling school photographs will be taking place next **Friday, 16th October**. Please ensure your child comes to school wearing their full school uniform and is looking smart and photo-ready for their photograph.

Parents' Evening – All Pupils

Our Parents' Evening will take place on **Thursday 22nd October**. This is a valuable opportunity to meet with your child's teacher, discuss their progress and celebrate their achievements so far this term.

Appointment slots will be available to book through Arbor shortly. We will notify all parents and carers as soon as bookings open.

ParentPay – Outstanding Balances

We kindly ask all parents and carers to check their ParentPay accounts and ensure that any outstanding balances are cleared as soon as possible. This includes payments for school lunches, Breakfast Club and Nursery lunches for children accessing 30 hours of funded childcare.

We appreciate your cooperation in keeping accounts up to date. If you are experiencing any difficulties making payments, please contact the school office.

Educational Visit to Murton Park – Year 3 and 4

We are excited to announce that our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils will be visiting Murton Park on **Monday 7th December** for a fantastic, hands-on learning experience!

Our Year 3 pupils will step back in time to the Stone Age, bringing to life the fascinating topic they have been exploring in class this term. Meanwhile, Year 4 pupils will travel back to Roman times, enjoying an immersive day discovering what life was like during this historical period.

The cost of the visit is £30 per child, which includes return coach travel and all activities at Murton Park. Payments can be made through ParentPay.

October Half-Term Holiday

School will close for the October half-term holiday on Friday 23rd October, at the usual school finishing time.

Please remember that pupils return to school on **Tuesday 3rd November**, not Monday 2nd November, as Monday is a staff training day.

This Week's Attendance – Overall: 95.82%

Nursery – 83.16 %



Reception – 94.74 %

Year 1 – 95.20 %

Year 2 – 97.24 %

Year 3 – 90.33 %

Year 4 – 97.33 %

Year 5 – 93.24 %

Year 6 – 94.00 %

PE Days

Nursery – Friday

Year 3 – Wednesday

Reception – Monday starting 14th Sept

Year 4 – Wednesday

Year 1 – Thursday

Year 5 – Thursday

Year 2 – Friday

Year 6 – Tuesday

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 12th October

St Carlo Acutis Feast Day – Year 2 Pupils

Friday 16th October

Individual Photo Day

Thursday 22nd October

Parents Evening

Friday 23rd October

Pope St John Paul II Feast Day – Year 5 Pupils

Tuesday 10th November

School Tour and Open Event

11th-13th November

Year 6 Residential

Monday 7th December

Year 3 & 4 Murton Park Trip

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Leave of Absence Requests

All requests are processed by the local authority. Applications **MUST** be submitted at least 2 weeks in advance via the following link or QR code:

[Term-Time Child/children Absence Request Form](#)



St Matthew's Catholic Primary School **Newsletter**



Please check that you select '**St Matthew's Catholic Primary School**' not 'St Matthews C of E Primary School'

Updating Your Details

Please remember to keep your contact details up to date with the school. If any of your information changes, such as your address, phone number, medical information or emergency contacts, please update this on Arbor or contact the school office who will be happy to help.

Social Media - Facebook

Just a reminder that St Matthew's is now on Facebook. We will be using our page to celebrate school life, share news, key dates and updates, and to give a glimpse into the wonderful learning taking place each day. We would love for you to follow us and stay connected with our school community. You can find us at:

<https://www.facebook.com/stmatthewsbrad>

Parent Pay – All pupils

If you have not yet signed up to ParentPay, please contact the school office who will be happy to provide you with your activation code. ParentPay allows you to easily pay for school trips, lunches and other activities online.