

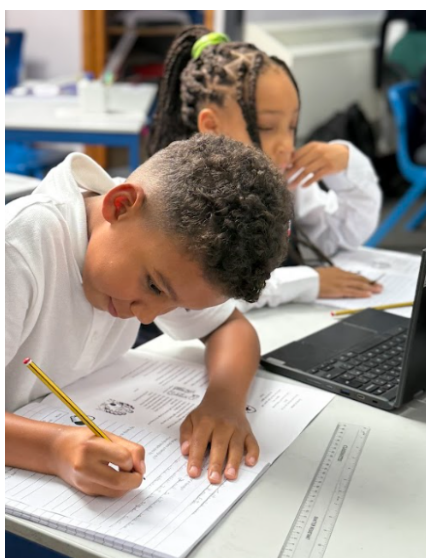
St Fidelis Catholic Primary School

5 September 2025 Newsletter



WELCOME BACK

We have been delighted to welcome our children back to school this week. Walking around the school, it has been lovely to see that everyone has settled in well to their new classrooms with their new teachers and teaching assistants and are keen to continue their learning.



At the start of this new term, we welcome several new members of staff to the school:

- Mrs Longe, Year 1 Swans class teacher.
- Miss Malumbe, Year 4 Puffins class teacher.
- Miss Olatunde, Year 2 Swallows class teacher.
- Miss Walker, Reception Sparrows class teacher and Early Years Leader.
- Ms Maynard, Teaching Assistant.

We are delighted to have them join our school team and look forward to the positive impact they will have on the development of all our children.

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UNIFORM

We are always so proud of how smart our children look in their uniforms - thank you for all you do to achieve this. **Please ensure that every item of clothing (including shoes) has been labelled clearly with the child's first and last name, to ensure that any items that become lost can be reunited with their owner.** Thank you.

We have had mixed weather since the start of term. A reminder that children can stay in summer uniform until October half term, if the weather should still be warm enough. We would like all children in their winter uniform by 3rd November, when we return after half term.

REMINDER OF SCHOOL DAY TIMINGS

A reminder that we have a window between 8:30am and 8:50am when children can arrive for school. The start of the school day stays the same, with **the school day starting promptly at 8:50am** with the register being taken in class at this time.



Please note the following collection times at the end of the day:

- **Nursery and Reception** will be dismissed at **3:10pm**.
- **Years 1-6** will be dismissed at **3:20pm**.

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

If your child completed the Bexley Summer Reading Challenge over the holidays, please can they bring their medal and certificate to school on Wednesday 10th September for a photograph.



PE KITS

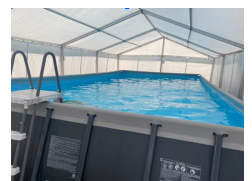
At St Fidelis, children come to school wearing their PE kit on the days they have scheduled PE lessons. This simplifies the school day for both children and staff, allowing for a smoother transition into PE activities and maximising learning time. Our school PE kit consists of the following items:

- A plain white polo shirt or t-shirt
- Navy blue shorts or navy blue tracksuit trousers (depending on the weather)
- Navy sweatshirt
- White trainers

A letter was sent out this week to confirm PE days, please ensure your child comes to school in their clean and appropriate PE kit on their designated PE days. If children are doing a sports club after school, and it is on their PE day, they can continue to wear their PE kit for the club or you can send in clothes for them to change into.

SWIMMING

Our swimming pool will be arriving over the weekend and lessons for children in Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 will begin on **Monday 15th September**. Please check your child's book bag for a letter explaining which days they will be swimming and what equipment they will need.



MEDICATION

Parents of children who have prescribed medications- such as asthma inhalers or epipens should send this essential medication labelled with their child's name to the school office as soon as possible. Please check that all medicine is in date.

CLUBS FOR 2025-2026

Clubs will be resuming for the autumn term the week beginning 8th September 2025 and finishing the week beginning 8th December 2025.

SPANISH AFTER SCHOOL CLUB IN THE ANGELUS CENTRE

The Spanish club (for the autumn term) starts again on Wednesday 10th September in the Angelus Centre from 3:30 to 4:45pm for children from years 2 to 6. Email sophiechaise@yahoo.co.uk for more information.

NEW ART CLUB

A new art club will start on Monday 8th September in the Angelus Centre 3.30pm to 4:45pm for children in years 1 to 6. Email sophiechaise@yahoo.co.uk for more information.

SCHOOL MASS

Our first school Mass will take place on Sunday 21st September at 10:30am in Our Lady of the Angels. We hope that everyone will come along- as ever we will be collecting for the local food bank for those who are less fortunate than ourselves. The children should bring these donations to the front of the church before the beginning of Mass. Our new Nursery and Reception children will receive a special blessing during the Mass.



ASSEMBLIES

Here is a list of all the class assemblies which we have this half term. Please note these are always on a Friday, starting promptly at 2:45pm. Parents are more than welcome to attend their child's class assembly which will be held in the school hall.

Friday 19th September	Year 6 Owls
Friday 26th September	Year 5 Flamingoes
Friday 3rd October	Year 4 Hawks
Friday 10th October	Year 3 Penguins
Friday 17th October	Year 6 Woodpeckers

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Mark Hannon".

Mark Hannon
Executive Head Teacher

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Catherine Quirke".

Catherine Quirke
Head of School