

St. Basil's

Catholic Primary
School

*"We love, learn and succeed
following Jesus"*

FEBRUARY 2023

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Safeguarding:

At St. Basil's Catholic Primary School we are committed to providing a nurturing, caring and safe learning environment where pupils thrive, are confident, happy and secure. If you have any safeguarding concerns, then please speak to one of our Designated Safeguarding Leads.

For further information about Safeguarding at St Basils please see the following documents by either clicking the link or scanning the QR code;

[Safeguarding
Leaflet for
Parents](#)



[Safeguarding
Leaflet Child
Friendly](#)



Designated Leads for Safeguarding at St Basils:

Mrs Sheppard (HT)

Mrs O'Donnell (DHT)

Mrs Jevons (AHT)

Mrs Bond / Mrs Fink (Family Liaison & Welfare Officers)

Mrs McCabe (Attendance)

Mr Duffy (Pupil Welfare Governor)

Attendance update

Please be aware that students who have an attendance of below 90% will not have their absences authorised unless medical evidence is provided.

You can view your child's absence record via the School Gateway App. You access this via the reporting tab and then Attendance, it will give you your child's attendance rating.

Thank you for your co-operation.

FRIDAY 17TH FEBRUARY IS AN INSET DAY AND SCHOOL WILL BE CLOSED FOR THE CHILDREN

Swimming

Miss Stockton's class (5GS) will be going swimming on Wednesday 15th February. The children will leave school at 10.45am and arrive back at school during lunch time on these dates.

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Week commencing 30th January 2023



Well done to class 2LG with the highest rate of attendance with an amazing 100%!!

FSRA	1DD	2LG	2AR	3AW	3NC	4LT	4JB	5GS	5SG	6CH	6KL	
98.6	90.7	100	88.9	97.7	92.9	91.2	98.2	99	96.5	97.1	97.3	

PARENT CONSULTATION MEETINGS

Parents evening is an important opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress and targets with their teacher. This term Parent consultation meetings will take place on:

Monday 13th February – 3:30pm – 5:30pm

Wednesday 15th February – 3.30pm – 5.30pm

The consultation meetings will take place in person in both KS1 and KS2 school halls and each appointment will be 10 minutes. Appointments will need to be booked online via the school cloud booking platform by visiting <https://stbasilscatholic.schoolcloud.co.uk/>. A parent guide with booking instructions has been emailed to parent/carer's for those that need it.

Appointments will be available to book from 12noon on Monday 6th February. If you have any problems using the school cloud system please contact the school office.



The banner features a pink background with a white speech bubble on the left containing the text: 'Safer Internet Day 2023 Tuesday 7 February', 'Coordinated by the UK Safer Internet Centre', and 'saferinternetday.org.uk'. To the right is a blue speech bubble with the text: 'Want to talk about it?' and 'Making space for conversations about life online'. A megaphone icon is on the right side. At the bottom left are the UK Safer Internet Centre logo and 'Safer Internet Day 2023 Tuesday 7 February' text.

Have a conversation

It is really important to chat with your children on an ongoing basis about staying safe online. Not sure where to begin? These conversation starter suggestions can help.

■ Ask your children to tell you about the sites they like to visit and what they enjoy doing online.

What games do you and your friends like to play online? Can you show me the websites you visit the most? Shall we play your favourite game online together?

▲ Ask them about how they stay safe online.

What tips do they have for you, and where did they learn them? What is OK and not OK to share?

● Ask them if they know where to go for help.

Where can they go to find the safety advice, privacy settings and how to report or block on the services they use?

◆ Think about how you each use the internet.

What more could you do to use the internet together? Are there activities that you could enjoy as a family?

Monday's starting 06.02.23

BASIL TOTS PLAYGROUP

**MONDAY
AFTERNOONS
1.30PM - 3.00PM**

**WEDNESDAY
MORNINGS
9AM - 10.30AM**

EVERYBODY WELCOME

£1 ENTRY - REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED



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Halton SEND parent carer forum have released their February events calendar. There is lots on including parent drop-ins, online SEND cooking, the new SYNC club, and a pizza and craft night. Find out more on [their Facebook page](#) or drop the team an email at info@haltonsendpcf.org.uk

The Zoom meetings with various professionals will continue throughout February. These are an informative and informal way to ask questions and seek support from the professionals.

If you are not a member of the forum you can contact the Forum by emailing admin@HaltonSendPCF.org.uk or visit [their Facebook page](#) or website: haltonsendcarersforum.org.uk to access the Zoom information.



- Tourette's Action – **Monday 13th February 2023 7:30pm**
- Health Improvement Team with Steve Purcell – **Thursday 16th February 2023 7:30pm**

Play by Nature Forest School February half-term sessions



Play By Nature are running their outdoor forest sessions again this February half-term.

These enhance children's imagination, creativity, awareness, confidence, develop social skills, learn to risk assess, boost self-esteem, and help them learn through play and exploration of the forest.

Sessions are running from **Wednesday 22nd to Friday 24th February from 9am to 1pm**, and will include activities such as den building, obstacle course making, pirate ship making, crafts, bug hunting, bird feeders, fairy house making, pond dipping, archery, mud kitchen and team building exercises!

Find out more and send them a message through [their Facebook page by clicking here](#).

Everton in the Community half-term activities



Everton in the Community will be holding several activities for young people aged 7 to 17 during February half-term including Ninja Warrior, bowling and Nerf activity. Please see the dates and details below.

Places are limited with a small cost, please call the team on **07975784613** or email- mark.dolan@evertonfc.com. They will need to take some details of the young person and parent / guardian for consent.

Please note, lunch is not provided and if for any reason you cannot make one of the activities you have booked on to please try to inform the team with enough notice where possible in order for them to arrange for someone else to attend and save the place going to waste.

Date	Timings	Activity	Pick up	Pick up	Drop off	Drop off	Places available	Cost
			Brindley Theatre	Halton Stadium	Halton Stadium	Brindley Theatre		
Monday 20 th February	10am-12pm	Nerf Centre Activity Day, Grangeway Community Centre, Runcorn WA7 5HA	No Pick ups	No Pick ups	No Drop offs	No Drop offs	15	£2
			Brindley Theatre	Halton Stadium	Halton Stadium	Brindley Theatre		
Tuesday 21 st February	12pm-1.45pm	Ninja Warrior UK, Speke, Liverpool L24 8QB	11.15am	11.15am	2.15pm	2.15pm	10 (at Widnes Pick up) 10 (at Runcorn Pick up)	£3
			Brindley Theatre	Halton Stadium	Halton Stadium	Brindley Theatre		
Wednesday 22 nd February	11am-12.15pm	Superbowl UK, Widnes	No pick up	No pick up	No drop off	No drop off	18	£2
	2pm-3.30pm	Planet Ice, Widnes, WAB OTA	No pick up	No pick up	No drop off	No drop off	18	£2

Days out with Merlin's Magic Wand



Merlin's Magic Wand is an international children's charity who provide magical experiences for children who need it most. They offer a single gifted day out for children to enjoy at one of the Merlin Attractions with free tickets, travel grants and a simple application process.

The Charity provide complimentary tickets and fund a contribution towards a travel grant for families to enjoy their day at a Merlin Entertainments' attractions, such as LEGOLAND Resort® theme parks, SEA LIFE Centres, and Madame Tussauds.

[Click here to check out their website](#) for more information and to [find out more about how to apply for days out.](#)

Holiday breaks through Time Away



Time Away supports families caring for children with additional needs. They offer time, donated by owners, in self-catering holiday properties and offer it to families who might ordinarily struggle to book a holiday.

They are currently urging families with children in receipt of higher rate DLA and under the age of 5 to apply. To find out more or register your interest [visit their website by clicking here.](#)