



4th March 2026

Guardian Angels' RC Primary School Newsletter

Dates for your diary

Monday 2nd March: Week 1

Wednesday 4th March: 7pm- Parents meeting at Guardian Angels' Church for children making their First Holy Communion

Thursday 5th March: World Book Day! Children to come dressed as their favourite book character

Saturday 7th March: 5.30pm- Presentation in Mass at Guardian Angels' Church for children undertaking the Sacramental Programme

Sunday 7th March: 9.15am- Presentation in Mass at Guardian Angels' Church for children undertaking the Sacramental Programme

Monday 9th March: Week 2

Monday 9th March: 8.45am- Year 4's Lenten Prayer and Liturgy- parents welcome

Thursday 12th March: Author Visit from Simon Hunt with the opportunity to buy one of his books after school

Friday 13th March: 8.45am- Receptions Mothers' Day Assembly- parents welcome

Monday 16th March: Week 1

Monday 16th March: 8.45am- Year 5's Lenten Prayer and Liturgy- parents welcome

Friday 20th March: Year 6 on Crucial Crew trip (am)

Monday 23rd March: Week 2

Monday 23rd March: 8.45am- Year 6's Lenten Prayer and Liturgy- parents welcome

Wednesday 25th March: Parents Evening 3.15pm-6.15pm

Thursday 26th March: 2.10pm- Rock Steady Concert- parents of the band members welcome to attend.

Friday 27th March: Non-uniform day in exchange for Easter egg donations

Monday 30th March: Week 1

Monday 30th March: Holy Week

Tuesday 31st March: Easter Bingo at 6pm (tickets will go on sale after the half term break)

Thursday 2nd March: 1.15pm – School to close for the Easter holidays

Monday 20th April: Week 2

Monday 20th April- Start of the summer term at 8.30am



Message from Mrs Sly

We began this week with a beautiful Lenten prayer and liturgy on the theme of **'giving'**, thoughtfully led by **Year 3**. The children reflected on different ways we can give and share with others, and they reminded us of the vital work that **CAFOD** carries out to support people overseas who are living in poverty.

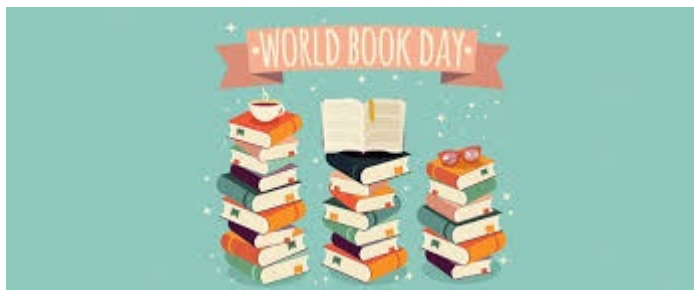
Throughout Lent, our school community will continue to focus on the themes of **give, act, and pray**. Each week, one of our Key Stage 2 classes will lead a prayer and liturgy to explore these themes more deeply. Next week, **Year 4** will be leading us, and the song they have prepared is truly wonderful. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend their child's class liturgy—please refer to the key dates shared above.

Sacramental Programme- Parent Meeting tonight at 7pm

A reminder that there will be a meeting for all parents whose children are making their First Holy Communion this July. The meeting will take place **tonight at 7:00pm** at **Guardian Angels' Church**. We look forward to seeing you there.

World Book Day- Thursday 5th March

Tomorrow we are going to be celebrating World Book Day. Children are invited to come into school as any book character of their choice. It could be from their class text, from their favourite book or a character that inspires them. This week, the children have been taking part in workshops led by authors and illustrators, and reading activities to grow their love of reading. We are very much looking forward to seeing everyone dressed up tomorrow and for our World Book Day parade after assembly.





The Big Lent Walk

As a whole school, we are once again supporting CAFOD through the **Big Lent Walk**. Our goal is to walk **200km** before we break up for Easter—an ambitious challenge that each class will contribute to through daily walks, taken in solidarity with communities around the world. We hope to raise **£200** to support CAFOD's work with families facing poverty across the globe. If you are able to sponsor our school, we would be extremely grateful. Donations can be made via our JustGiving page using the link below.

<https://schools.walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/guardian-angels-fundraising-page>



Message from our GIFT Team- Lent Boxes

This week each class have received their Lent box and a different child will get to bring it home each night. The aim of sending home the boxes is to give families the opportunity to join together to reflect on the objects inside, read the scripture or story book and to say some prayers. The sand represents Jesus' time in the desert; the figure represents Jesus; the cross reminds us of his death and what He up gave us for us; and the stone to remind us of his resurrection. The younger children also have a book to read and the older children, a bible, to choose a reading from (ideas on the back of the prayer card). Please lay out the purple napkin, light the candle and enjoy some quiet, reflective time together.



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A special 'Thank You' to the following children and parents. . .

A thank you to Wynter and Phoenix for donating their own money to CAFOD for our Lenten appeal.



A thank you to the parents who have come into school to become a mystery reader in their child's class.



And a huge thank you from the reception children to Maggie's family for creating a wonderful castle to enhance their current topic.



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Year 1's Class Assembly for Bury Hospice and Cake Sale

On Friday, Year 1 led their assembly which focussed on their class charity, Bury Hospice. They dressed in brightly coloured clothes and at break time, held a cake sale to raise money for the charity. Mrs Scully and Year 1 would like to thank you for your support, the generous cakes that were sent in and for the incredible donations which came to a total of £211. A representation from Bury Hospice collected the money yesterday and asked to pass on their thanks to all families because this year, thanks to your generosity, we have raised a total of £600 for the charity combined with the Reindeer Run donations.



Visit from our PCSO for EYFS

As part of nursery and reception's *People who help us* topic, our local PCSO visited school on Friday 13th February. The police officer talked to the children about the important job they do and the children had the opportunity to ask questions about what it is really like to help people in our community. The children enjoyed the visit so much that Mrs watts and Miss Davenport arranged for a police van to come to school on Friday so the children can see inside one and find out more about police jobs. We would like to thank Mrs Boardman for helping us the organising the exciting experience.



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Author Visit from Simon Hunt- Thursday 12th March

On Thursday 12th March, Simon Hunt, a children's author, is visiting Guardian Angels'. In the afternoon, children will take part in engaging and interactive sessions built around his picture books. The sessions focus on developing a love of reading, inspiring children to see themselves as writers, and understanding where ideas come from. With children in Key Stage 2, Simon will also talk about the writing process, including drafting, editing, and the changes made before a book is published. At the end of the day, there will be an opportunity to meet the author and buy one of his books and have it signed.



Mystery Readers in EYFS and Years 1 and 2

We are still inviting parents, carers, and family members to come into school as Mystery Readers. As part of our Year of Reading, this exciting initiative is designed to encourage a love of reading by showing children that reading is valued, enjoyed, and shared by people of all ages. The fun twist is that the children won't know who the Mystery Reader is until they walk through the classroom door, adding an extra element of excitement to story time. If you are a parent, carer, grandparent of a child in and are interested in being a Mystery Reader please contact your child's class teacher on Seesaw or the office via email to arrange a suitable date and time to come in. Each class is very excited that they already have mystery readers coming to school over the next week!

Sacramental Programme 2026

Children in Year 3 have been invited to undertake the Sacramental Programme in the coming months. Key dates for those children taking part in the programme are below but please note that the first meeting takes place tonight. We are looking forward to working with you and your children in preparing your children for their First Holy Communion.

Saturday 7th March at 5.30pm and Sunday 8th March at 9.15am - Presentation of children in Mass at Guardian Angels' Church

Sunday 12th July - First Holy Communions

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Uniform Shed Donations- New Equipment for the Playground

We would like to thank Mrs Price for keeping our uniform shed running. She is the lady behind the washing, ironing and organising of the clothing that are kindly donated to school. With the money raised, Mrs Price purchased some new equipment for lunchtimes and the children have already been enjoying the new balls, games and chalk.



Rock Steady Band Lessons

Our Rock Steady band lessons have been taking place in school since last half term and the children who take part, are formed into bands and doing such an amazing job at learning new songs. There are still places available for children to sing, play the keyboard, guitar and drums. Please follow the link below for more information and to sign your child up.

It is fantastic that we have more than one school band and we are very much looking forward to the first concert which will be taking place on Thursday 26th March in school at 2.10pm.

[Rock Steady Sign-Up](#)

Wednesday Word

If any of our families do not have access to the Wednesday Word leaflet and would like to see a copy and share it with your children, please use the link below:-

[Wednesday Word](#)



News from your child's class - Please see Seesaw for this week's messages

Take a look at our class pages from the website here

[Class Pages | Guardian Angels Roman Catholic Primary School, Bury](#)

This Newsletter is also available on our School website www.guardianangels.bury.sch.uk. Our website is full of lots of important information so please take a look and learn lots of things about our wonderful school. Please note that paper copies of the Newsletter or anything on our website is available from the School Office.

Attendance

Guardian Angels' RC Primary School firmly believes that Great Achievement can only happen if we have Great Attendance. Below you will see this week's attendance figure for each class.

Reception	90.91%
Year 1	91.33%
Year 2	99.68%
Year 3	94.48%
Year 4	94.06%
Year 5	91.03%
Year 6	96.97%

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The CAYP Webinar Series

Tuesday 24th March 2026
8:00-9:00pm

What's Really Going on with My Child's Focus and Emotional Regulation?

With Consultant Clinical Psychologist
 Dr Daniel Weisberg

This session is going to explore what may be driving ongoing difficulties with focus, emotional regulation and impulsive behaviour in children and young people.

We'll look at why some young people feel constantly overwhelmed or emotionally reactive, and how this can impact daily life at home and school.

Alongside this, we'll be providing practical strategies and tools to help support both your child and the whole family.

Overview:

- Why some children have focus and attention difficulties
- What's going on behind emotional reactivity
- Why small things can trigger such big reactions
- Co-regulation and supporting big feelings
- When focus and regulation difficulties raise bigger questions
- When to think about seeking an assessment or specialist support and how this may help
- Practical strategies to support focus, attention, regulation and behaviour at home and school

Who can join:

This session is primarily for parents and carers of primary and high school aged-children, but anyone working with children is welcome to attend.

To book your place, please follow the link below . . .

[Book your place on the emotional regulation webinar!](#)

