



25th February 2026

Guardian Angels' RC Primary School Newsletter

Dates for your diary

Monday 23rd February: Week 2

Wednesday 25th February: Year 3 and 4 Bee Proud Multi-Skills Festival

Friday 27th February: 8.45am- Year 1's class assembly for Bury Hospice- parents welcome

Friday 27th February: Police Riot Van coming to school for EYFS

Monday 2nd March: Week 1

Monday 2nd March: 8.45am- Year 3's Lenten Prayer and Liturgy- parents welcome

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- Reception's 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

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Message from Mrs Sly

We hope all our families enjoyed a restful half-term break. It was wonderful to welcome the children back on Monday and begin the season of Lent together during our whole-school Celebration of the Word. This week, the children have been reflecting on Jesus' time in the desert and have written their own Lenten promises, which they will offer during a special service tomorrow. Throughout Lent, our school community will be focusing 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. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend their child's class liturgy—please refer to the key dates shared above.

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>



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

On Friday, Year 1 will be leading an assembly focusing on their class charity, Bury Hospice. Children in Year 1 are invited to come into school in their own, brightly coloured clothes on this day. At break time, they will be holding a cake sale to raise money for Bury Hospice. They have no set prices for the cakes but would be grateful for a minimum donation of £1. If there are any cakes left, they will also be selling them on the playground after school. Mrs Scully and Year 1 would like to thank you in advance for your support.



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Young Voices

The choir had an amazing time at *Young Voices* before we broke up for half term. They sang their hearts out at the Co-op Arena and enthusiastically joined in with the choreographed moves they had been practising for weeks. Their behaviour was exceptional throughout, and we were extremely proud of how beautifully they represented our school at the event.

A huge thank you to Miss Kambalis, Mrs Shine and Mrs Davies for accompanying the children and supporting them through the whole experience. We would also like to thank all parents for helping the children prepare, supporting with their singing at home, and collecting them after the late finish.



International Book Giving Day

On Friday 13th February, we celebrated International Book Giving Day where the children brought in a book they had finished reading, or had grown out of, to swap with another child in their class. It was a wonderful celebration of books and to share our love of reading so we would thank all families who donated a book.



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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 have 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 in organising the exciting experience.



World Book Day- Thursday 5th March

On Thursday 5th March to celebrate World Book Day, we are inviting children 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. During the week, the children will be taking part in reading activities to grow the love of reading in the school.

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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 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 EYFS, Year 1 or Year 2 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. Reception class are very excited that they already have 2 mystery readers coming to school over the next week!

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Sacramental Programme 2026

Children in Year 3 have been invited to undertake the Sacramental Programme in the coming months. To make your First Holy Communion, children need to be baptised Roman Catholic. Letters were sent out through Church so please contact the school office or the parish centre if you need to speak to someone about the programme. Key dates for those children taking part in the programme are below but please note that the first meeting takes place next week on Wednesday 4th March. We are looking forward to working with you and your children in preparing your children for their First Holy Communion.

Wednesday 4th March @ 7.00pm -Parents Information meeting at Guardian Angels' Church

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

Young Artists' Summer Show Competition

Mrs Dalton would like to invite children in the school to take part in the Royal Academy of Arts Young Artists' Summer Show 2026. If your child would like to take part, they need to create a piece of artwork that truly expresses their own voice. There is no set theme and submissions are welcome covering a range of techniques including drawing, painting, photography and more. Details of how to enter have been emailed out to parents. The official deadline is 4th March and Mrs Dalton asks that all artwork is submitted to her by Monday 2nd March to allow time for uploading.



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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 as 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.

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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	95.32%
Year 1	95.34%
Year 2	95.57%
Year 3	96.99%
Year 4	95.08%
Year 5	96.02%
Year 6	94.36%

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BURY HOLIDAY Activities & Food Programme



For children and young people aged 5 to 16 who get free school meals

EASTER 2026

Enjoy activities, healthy meals and more



HEALTHY, HAPPY HOLIDAYS

- Be active
- Try new activities
- Make new friends
- Stay safe
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BOOK FROM 2 MARCH 2026!

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HAF Spring 2026

HAF is funded by The Department of Education to provide Food and Activities to families in receipt of benefits related Free School Meals.

Voucher codes with 4 credits will be issued automatically via email from Holiday Activities on **Monday 2 March 2026** to all children in receipt of benefits related free school meals.

If you are in receipt of benefits related free school meals but do not receive your voucher email please contact school.

This Spring we have providers in varied venues across the whole of the borough.

Activities Available include

- Forest Schools
- Football Camps
- Multisport Clubs
- Martial Arts
- Drama and Theatre Workshops
- Dance, and so much more

SEND Provision is offered by a number of Providers. With SEND Specific Places provided by Bee Inclusive and Funtime.

A full list of Providers, dates and time, and the level of need they are equipped to provider activities for can be found on the Bury HAF Webpage.

Find activities



Scan the QR code to find and book activities




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