



11th March 2026

Guardian Angels' RC Primary School Newsletter

Dates for your diary

Monday 9th March: Week 2

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

Friday 13th March: Girls football activities on the field for 'Made for this Game' initiative. Girls to bring trainers.

Monday 16th March: Week 1

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

Tuesday 17th March: St Patrick' Day learning to take place in school.

Thursday 19th March: Reception will be learning about St. Joseph on the feast day.

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 very soon)

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 '**prayer**', thoughtfully led by **Year 4**. The children focussed on Matthew's Gospel and reflected on how to pray from the heart and talk to God. Their singing was truly phenomenal.

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 5** will be leading us and have been working hard to prepare this week. Parents and carers are warmly invited to attend their child's class liturgy—please refer to the key dates shared above.

This week is **British Science Week**, and the whole school has burst into action! Classrooms are already buzzing with curious minds investigating, experimenting, and discovering new ideas. Yesterday, Miss Mulkeen started things off with an inspiring assembly all about this year's theme, *change and adapt*. The children were fascinated and are eager to dive even deeper into their science learning as the week continues.

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Author Visit from Simon Hunt- Thursday 12th March

Tomorrow, 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. The books cost £6 each and Simon is able to take cash or card payments. He will either be set up outside or in the school hall at the end of the day, depending on the weather.



Made for this Game

The FA are encouraging as many girls as possible to get involved in football, and we are delighted to support this initiative. On **Friday 13th March**, we are inviting all girls in the school to bring in either a pair of trainers or football boots. At lunchtime, Mrs Shaw and Mr. Kemp will be running football skills circuits and a match-play session on the school field. This is a fantastic opportunity for the girls to take part, build confidence, and enjoy the game. PE kits are not required.

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Eco Angels

Our Eco Angels will be turning their fingers green this term as they plant spring bulbs around our communal areas. They're very excited to brighten up the school grounds and help nature flourish!

If you are able to donate any bags of soil, bulbs, plants or seeds for our team to use, we would be enormously grateful. Every little contribution helps, and the Eco Angels thank you in advance for anything you are able to give.



Year 3 Sacramental Programme

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend the meeting in the Parish Centre at church last week. Over the weekend, we celebrated the Presentation Masses, and they were lovely services. The children who will be making their First Holy Communion this year were presented before their families and the parish community. For any children who were unable to attend, they will need to be presented at one of the following Masses, even if they are not yet baptised:

- 5.30pm on Saturday 20th March
- 9.30am on Sunday 22nd March

Please inform Mrs Dalton of the Mass you will be attending so that she can pass this information on to Fr. Paul and Sharon in advance.

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World Book Day Celebrations

Last week, we celebrated World Book Day. The children looked fantastic in their chosen outfits and enjoyed a day of all things reading. The highlight was definitely our parade in the morning after the assembly. We thank Mrs Scully for organising such a great day.



The Big Lent Walk

As a whole school, we are supporting CAFOD by taking part in 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. Thank you for all the generous donations already to help us reach our target!

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



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Message from our GIFT Team- Lent Boxes

Last week, each class started to take home their Lent box and a different child continue to take 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.



New Instagram Account

We are very excited to share that Guardian Angels now has its own Instagram account! You can find us by searching **@gaburyrcps** and we'd love for you to follow us.

We'll be using our Instagram page to showcase the wonderful learning journeys taking place across school, as well as to share special events and celebrations. The account is private, and only children whose parents have given permission for social media will appear in any posts. If you would like to update your permission or prefer that photos or videos of your child are not included, please contact the school office and we will make sure your wishes are followed. Instagram will now replace our Twitter account as our main platform for sharing updates. We can't wait to connect with you there!



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Mystery Readers- thank you!

We have been absolutely blown away by the fantastic response to our Mystery Readers! The children have thoroughly enjoyed listening to the wonderful stories that have been shared with them—each visit has brought excitement, surprise, and a real love of reading into our classrooms.

A huge thank you to all the parents, grandparents, and even Mrs Davenport's mum for giving up their time to come into school and be a Mystery Reader. Your enthusiasm and support mean so much to the children and staff.

We are still inviting parents, carers, and family members to come into school so please contact your child's class teacher to arrange a suitable date and time to come in.



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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](#)

Message from Elton Cricket Club

Elton Cricket Club is raising funds to install a defibrillator on Leigh Lane outside the club, helping to protect not only our players and members but the entire local community. This vital piece of equipment could make the difference in a life-threatening emergency. Having a publicly accessible defibrillator in our area will provide reassurance and potentially save lives. Any donation, big or small, would be hugely appreciated. We would also be grateful for your help in spreading the word to friends, family, and neighbours. Thank you for supporting our club and our community!

To donate, please click the link below:

<https://buff.ly/5h4VsYO>

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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	95.64%
Year 1	90.33%
Year 2	99.53%
Year 3	95.13%
Year 4	96.97%
Year 5	98.28%
Year 6	94.85%

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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

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