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love, live & learn.**

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Dear Parents & Carers,

Friday 16th January 2026

Reflection - Peace Day - Sunday 18th January

On Sunday 18th January, we mark Peace Day, a moment to reflect on how we are called to share God's peace in our daily lives.

Jesus reminds us, "Blessed are the peacemakers." (Matthew 5:9) This call challenges us to live with kindness, forgiveness and compassion, especially within our school community.

Peace is built through small, thoughtful actions; choosing understanding over conflict, ensuring everyone feels valued, and offering support when it is needed. In doing so, we help create a school environment rooted in respect, care and Christian love.

Let us pray that Jesus guides us to be witnesses of peace in our classrooms, playgrounds, homes and beyond.

Lord, help us to be peacemakers each day. Amen.



Wednesday Word

Please follow the link below to enjoy this week's Gospel as a family:

[Click HERE for the Wednesday Word](#)

Young Voices 2026

Well done to our pupils in Years 4, 5 and 6 who took part in the Young Voices concert at the Utilita Arena on Thursday evening. They sang beautifully, showed great enthusiasm and represented our school superbly. Most importantly, they had a wonderful time.

Thank you to Miss Smith, Mrs Shephard and Mrs Sotgiu for accompanying and supporting the pupils, and to the parents and grandparents who came along to cheer them on. Your support is very much appreciated.



Lighthouse Preschool - PLACES AVAILABLE

Lighthouse Preschool, run by Mrs Carole Baird, offers a high-quality, nurturing early years provision for 3- and 4-year-olds, helping children grow in confidence and prepare for school life.

Parents are welcome to get in touch for an informal chat or visit:

☎ **07590 411118**

✉ Lighthousechildcare2023@outlook.com

NSPCC Number Day 2026

On Friday 6th February 2026, we will be celebrating NSPCC Number Day. Children will enjoy fun activities focused on maths and numbers, while supporting a very important cause. We are inviting children to bring in loose change and coins to help decorate a large "26", raising money for the vital work undertaken by the NSPCC. Children should wear their normal school uniform or PE kit on this day.

To find out more information, please visit: [NSPCC website](#)

St John Paul II Multi Academy Schools - Term Dates 2026/27

Our MAC term dates follow Birmingham City Council (BCC) dates.

INSET days will be published separately before the start of the 2026/27 school year.

Autumn Term 2026

- Term starts: Tuesday 1 September 2026
- Half-term: Monday 26 October - Friday 30 October 2026
- Term ends: Friday 18 December 2026

Spring Term 2027

- Term starts: Monday 4 January 2027
- Half-term: Monday 15 February - Friday 19 February 2027
- Term ends: Thursday 25 March 2027

Summer Term 2027

- Term starts: Monday 12 April 2027
- Half-term: Monday 31 May - Friday 4 June 2027
- Term ends: Wednesday 21 July 2027



Gifts from God Assemblies

Gifts from God this half term will be on: **Friday 23rd January & Friday 6th February.**
These assemblies are a special time to celebrate our pupils' gifts and achievements.

Attendance

Let's see which class had the highest attendance this week...

Year group	Attendance for w/c 12/1/26
EYFS	99.33% WINNERS!
Year 1	91.97%
Year 2	94.33%
Year 3	98%
Year 4	98%
Year 5	88.33%
Year 6	93.33%
Well done to this week's winners... EYFS! You can choose a reward with Mrs Bowen next week.	

Dates for the diary

Please continue to check this section frequently as it is subject to change.

Wednesday 21st January	2.30pm - Years 2 & 3 to Mass in church - all are welcome
Friday 23rd January	Gifts from God Assembly @ 2.45pm
Tuesday 27th January	Year 6 trip to St Chad's Cathedral
Tuesday 3rd February	Years 1 & 2 taking part in National Storytelling Workshops during school time

Friday 6th February	Gifts from God Assembly @ 2.45pm
Week commencing 9th February	Children's Mental Health Week - to be celebrated after half term
Tuesday 10th February	Safer Internet Day - workshops and classes happening on this day and throughout the term
Friday 13th February	PFA Valentines' Disco 3.30pm to 5pm - supervised by PFA volunteers and school staff
Friday 13th February	Last day of Spring 1 - break up for half term
HALF TERM - school closed to children w/c 16th February 2026 ASH WEDNESDAY - the start of Lent - Wednesday 18th February	
Week commencing 23rd February	Children's Mental Health Week celebrations in school
Thursday 26th February	EYFS & Year 6 height & weight checks (school nurse) - please email enquiry@stnicholassutton.org.uk if you wish to opt out your child
Friday 27th February	Gifts from God Assembly @ 2.45pm
Saturday 28th February	Swimming Gala @ Wyndley Leisure Centre
Wednesday 4th - Friday 6th March	Year 5 residential trip to Alton Castle
Friday 13th March	PFA Mothers' Day Tea 3.30pm to 5pm
Monday 16th March	Year 6 full day retreat to enrich preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation - in school
Monday 23rd March	2pm - KS2 Passion Play performance to parents
Tuesday 24th March	9.15am - KS2 Passion Play performance to parents
Wednesday 25th and Thursday 26th March	Parents' Evenings Weds: 3.45pm to 6.15pm Thurs: 4.40pm to 7pm
Friday 27th March	Visiting theatre company to perform 'Alice in Wonderland' to the whole school
Friday 27th March	Last Day of Spring Term - break up for Easter
EASTER HOLIDAYS - School closed to children W/c 30th March W/c 6th April INSET Day - Monday 13th April	

Tuesday 14th April 2026	First day of Summer Term Summer Uniform permitted
Friday 22nd May 2026	Sacrament of Confirmation Mass @ 7pm in church
Friday 3rd July 2026	INSET Day - school closed to children

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