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Our Mission Statement

'Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire.'

St. Catherine of Siena



Dear Parents and Carers,

We've come to the end of another school year and, on behalf of the entire school community, I would like to express our sincere thanks to you for your continued support and partnership with our schools. It has been a very busy and successful year for the Annunciation School family, with wonderful learning opportunities for all our children. We are incredibly proud of the very successful Religious Education Inspection Reports achieved by both the Infant and Junior Schools this year and of how the children really live out our mission statement every day to "Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire."



Today, we say goodbye to our Year 6 pupils. We are so proud of them and wish them every success as they move on to secondary school. They are more than ready to enter this new phase of their educational journey and we look forward with excitement to see what they will do with these new opportunities. We also say goodbye to some of our families today as Year 6 leave and we will keep you all in our prayers.

Our Year 2 children are also ready to take the next step in their learning journey with their transition to Year 3. We wish them every success and we are looking forward to welcoming them to our Junior school or wishing them well in their next school. The children had a wonderful party and 'Graduation' on Tuesday evening, organised by the parents. It was a fun-filled celebration and the children really enjoyed this final event together. Thank you and congratulations to the parents who led on this.



I would also like to thank the staff of both schools for their continued hard work and care for the children, whether that is in the classroom, the playground, first aid room, dining room or school offices. They have worked tirelessly this year to ensure that our pupils have had the highest standard of care, support and learning offer. On a personal note, I could not ask for a more committed and supportive team of colleagues who give such valued support to Mr McCreddie, Ms Bourke and I in our roles as School Leaders. We thank the staff members who are leaving us for all their work and dedication to our pupils and wish them the very best in their future plans. We especially wish Mrs McNamara every happiness in the future as we say goodbye to her after twenty-nine years of service.

A very big thank you also to our Governing Body for their work to support our children and staff, this is a voluntary role and they have worked with great commitment to help our school family. Thank you Governors and to Fr. Chinedu for your role as Governor and also as our School chaplain. We are so fortunate to have your help and support and we look forward to working with Fr. Ako as our new Chaplain next year while you take up the role of Parish Priest.

Similarly, thank you to the PTA for their continued incredible voluntary work to support the schools and congratulations on the very successful events organised this year - we can see the results of these in the Junior School Playground they have funded and in resources they are helping us with at the Infant School. They need new volunteers to join new year as many of the current PTA will be stepping down and we don't want to lose the fantastic events that are part of our school year and do so much to help our schools and children.

Year 6 End of Year Play

Children from Years 2 to 5 watched the dress rehearsals of the Year 6 play, "Magic at the Musicals" and enjoyed seeing Year 6 perform a medley of well-known songs from the musicals, as well as acting and dancing. On Monday evening the Year 6 performed for another very special audience... their families! The school hall had transformed into the West End for the evening and we enjoyed the children's performance and teamwork during this fantastic celebration of their talents. They shared songs from Hairspray, Oliver, The Lion King, Six and Matilda and it was an evening we will all remember for a long time. Year 6, you were amazing and we are all so incredibly proud of you. Thank you to everyone in Year 6 for sharing your talents with us so confidently, you did yourselves proud and it was a really **MAGICAL** evening! Thank you also to our audiences for your great support of the children, we know how much you enjoyed each play and really encouraged Year 6.

A huge thank you also to our Year 6 team, Miss Brennan, Miss O'Carroll, Mrs Vara, Miss Kristjana and Mrs Stanley for all their work with the children this year and for giving them the opportunity to enjoy performing together one last time. Particular thanks must go to Miss Brennan who created the play, led rehearsals, scenery, costumes and music. Thank you Miss Brennan for all your work and commitment to the children and helping them to produce a play of such a high standard.

Music Concerts

We also celebrated performances from School Music Groups and Rock Steady at each school over the last week. Mrs Stanley arranged for her lunchtime music groups to play instruments including the recorder and ...for parents. Yesterday, children who attend Rock Steady also performed in concerts at both schools, organised by their music teacher, Natan. Well done to all the musicians who performed in the concerts and we were all very proud of the progress the children have made in the different clubs. Thank you to Mrs. Stanley and Natan for arranging the concerts, it was great to see our children enjoy performing and celebrate their amazing musical talents.

New School Year Dates and Events

School **reopens for all new years 1 to 6 children on Tuesday 2nd September**. Our new Nursery and Reception children have their own starting dates.

Reception to Year 6 pupils can continue to wear summer uniforms in the first half-term and the new PE/Nursery uniform should also be worn from next term.




We are inviting Years 1 to 6 parents to join us for **Curriculum Information meetings in the second week of Autumn term**, please see the dates on the next page for your child's year group. This will be an opportunity to meet the team working with your child, including new colleagues joining our schools next term.

Dates for all key events such as Masses, parent consultation meetings and workshops for the next academic year will be placed on our website from September.

Finally, have a very happy and safe summer break with your family and we look forward to seeing you again in September.

Miss J. O'Prey

Headteacher

		STAR OF THE WEEK				STAR OF THE WEEK			
Infants				Juniors					
N	The Whole Class	1a	The Whole Class	3A	Semilore	5A	Tamara		
Ra	The Whole Class	1b	The Whole Class	3B	Eduard	5B	Arthur		
Rb	The Whole Class	2a	The Whole Class	4A	Oliwia	Year 6	Kayden		
		2b	The Whole Class	4B	Matias				

ATTENDANCE

Congratulations
to **2A**
for having the
highest
attendance!



Class	%
R1	92
R2	88
1A	90
1B	90
2A	97
2B	92
3A	94
3B	95
4A	89
4B	91
5A	90
5B	91
Year 6	80

Celebration of The Word

The Gospel for Sunday 20th July 2025

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus knows that household jobs are important, but he reminds us how important it is to take time to listen to God. Jesus does not force us to listen to him, but he knows what's best for us. Listening and hearing the wisdom of Jesus is a sign of real love – it's a powerful way of showing that we care. We need to listen to Jesus so we can remember what's really important in life; then it's time to swing into action. **The Word** we are thinking about this week is **Listening**.

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who chose to sit down in front of Jesus to listen to him. Now Martha, who was busy preparing the meal said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me." But Jesus answered, "Martha, Martha, you worry and fret about so many things, but only one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen what is good; this will not be taken away from her."

Adapted from The Gospel of Luke 10:38-42

The 16th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C

AIS and AJS VALUES

Tolerance	5b	Maks
Courage	6a	Elena
Commitment	5a	Charles
Safety	4b	Autumn
Excellence	4a	Pietra
Truth	3a	Andrea
Respect	6a	Mosees
Justice	3b	Jayden
Courage	N Ra Rb 1a 1b 2a 2b	Sumaiya

Maths Superstars

Year 3	Livia & Gemmina
Year 4	Prince & Vida
Year 5	Hebe & Divine

KEY DATES

New 2025-2026 School Year — Schools reopens for all Years 1 to 6 pupils on Tuesday 2nd September 2025

September Parent Curriculum Information Meetings

08-09-25 Years 1 and 2 (KS1) Infant School 3.20—3.50pm

09-09-25 Years 3 and 4 Junior School Year 3 at 3.30pm Year 4 at 4.00pm

Autumn Term 2025

School Closed – Monday 1 September Staff Training Day

Tuesday 2 September - Friday 24 October 39 days

Half -Term Monday 27 October - Friday 31 October

School Closed – Monday 3 November Staff Training Day

Second Half Tuesday 4 November – Friday 19 December 34 days

Annunciation Schools Safeguarding Team

Miss Martin



Ms. Bourke



Miss O'Prey



Mr McCreadie



Mrs. Stanley

