St Rose's Catholic Infants School
Rose Vine

Friday 6th March 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

As per previous communications this week, we are sad to share that Mrs Anderton is currently on compassionate leave as her father has recently passed away. Please continue to keep her and her family in your prayers at this difficult time. Myself and Mrs Welch are working closely together to ensure smooth running of both schools.

It has been a busy start to the second half of the Spring term. It has been a joy to watch the Reception class assemblies based on the Bible Stories; Noah's Arc and The Creation Story. They performed so well, with confidence and pride.

We have had an exciting WOW week based around, 'Storytelling'. The focus of this week has to promote storytelling language through roleplay and oracy. It has been a joy to hear about all of the different stories the children have orally told! So much so that Year 2 are continuing with this approach for next week. Today, the children from Year 2 – Nursery have experienced an interactive story telling session with Rose Hudson from Rosie Tells Tales. I have been in and out to the sessions and the children have been so engaged; it has been a delight to watch. Thank you for the FOSR for supporting us with providing this experience.

On World Book Day it was so lovely to see so many children dressed up in book related costumes. We had a few Harry Potter characters, a selection of Dorothy's and an impressive Elmer costume! Thank you so much for the effort you put in to support your child with their costume. It was a fantastic day and the children enjoyed the parade in school. It was difficult to track down the school staff all day as they were mostly all dressed as Where's Wally!

I cannot believe we only have 3 weeks left of the Spring term! Have a restful weekend.

Mrs Butler
Deputy Headteacher

Lord Jesus Christ,
Help me reach out to others, seeing their needs as you see them and caring for them with your compassion.
May I love as you love: extravagantly and indiscriminately.
May I care as you do: without counting the cost.
Lead me deeper into your generous, sacrificial heart so that by following your lead, I will move with compassion, especially towards those suffering in places and situations I may never fully understand.
Amen.

Upcoming Events

Please look at the end of the newsletter for up and coming events.

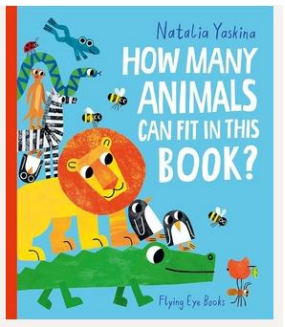
11/3/26	Father David visiting Year 2 – Holy Week focus
12/3/25 - 19/3/26	Travelling Book Fair
13/3/26	Wow Science Day – activities organised by teachers
17/3/26	Wear a green accessory for St Patrick's day
20/3/26	2:30pm – St Roses 'Money March' – Market Place

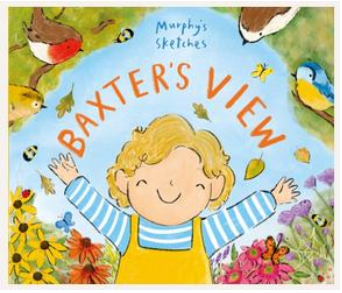
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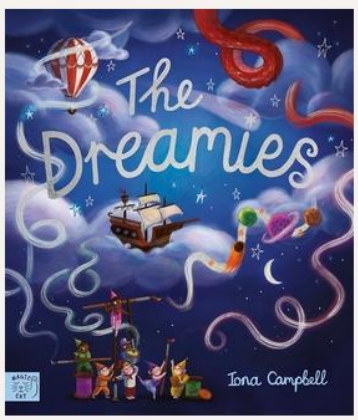
School Attendance 23rd Feb – 6th March 26 – 95%

St Francis	88%
St Martin	95%
St Catherine	94%
St Bernadette	96%
St Anthony	99%
St Teresa	98%
St Dominic	95%

Mrs Butler's Recommended Reads







Catholic Life:

This term we've been particularly focused on our Lenten journey. On Friday 27th February, Father David visited us for a special Lenten liturgy, where we reflected on the season of Lent and how we can grow closer to God through prayer, fasting, and giving. Thank you to all the parents and carers who joined us. Our reception children have been busy with their class assemblies. St Catherine presented a beautiful assembly on the Creation Story, reminding us of how God created the world and everything in it. St Martin class shared the story of Noah's Ark, teaching us about faith, trust, and God's promise.

UPCOMING EVENTS

St Patrick's Day - 17th March 2026

Any pupil who would like to celebrate or acknowledge their Irish heritage on St Patrick's Day on Tuesday 17th March, please do feel free to wear a green accessory!

Money March – Market Place – Friday 20th March @ 2:30pm
Last year was our first Money March event and we are excited to announce that we are continuing with this again this year in conjunction with FOSR. It has been lovely to hear ideas for the year 2's individual projects.
A school Marketplace will take place on Friday 20th March from 2:30pm. Parents will be invited to come into school to purchase products made by classes as part of their class enterprise project.

Current Vacancy
We currently have a fixed term vacancy for a Level 3 Early Years Teaching Assistant Post in our newsletter. Please follow this link to find out more information:
https://www.eteach.com/careers/stroses-herts/job/ealy-years-ta-hlta-1537740

Reducing Paper
As a school we are making a conscious effort to reduce the amount of paper that we use in school and make forms easier to fill in by moving to online forms.

Dates List:
Please find below a list of up-coming and important dates for your diary. These will be updated regularly on the newsletter and up and coming events will remain at the top. New dates are highlighted.

Social Media:
If you use Instagram, please search for our new school Instagram page - @strosesinfants

Arbor parental consents:
Please login to your Arbor account for each child and update the new parental consents.

2025 – 2026 Dates

Spring Term

February	
12/3/25 - 19/3/26	Travelling Book Fair
13/3/26	Wow Day : Science
17/3/26	Wear a Green accessory for St Patrick's Day
20/3/26	Money March – EYFS/Year 1 Marketplace – 2:30pm
24/3/26	Consultation Evening – 3:30 – 6:30 in school
25/3/26	Consultation Evening – 3:30 – 6:30 in school
27/3/26	Deadline to Accept Preschool 2026 & Nursery 2026 offers
27/3/26	End of Term 1:15pm finish

Summer Term

April	
13/4/26	INSET – school closed to children
14/4/26	Term starts
16/4/26	National Allocation Day for Reception 2026
23/4/26	Deadline to accept Reception 2026 offer online and in school
May	
4/5/26	Bank Holiday
5/5/26	Tempest Photography – Class Photographs
25/5/26 – 29/5/26	Half Term
July	
17/7/26	End of Term 1:15pm finish
20/7/26	INSET – school closed to children
21/7/26	INSET – school closed to children