

# Cheadle Catholic Junior School

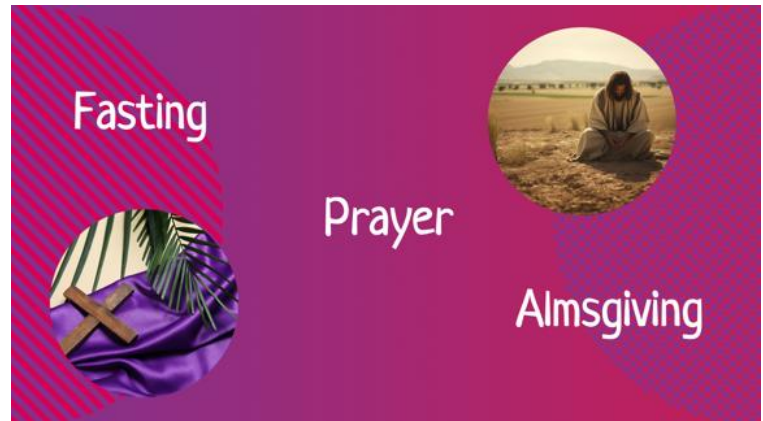
*'Forward in Faith  
Following in the footsteps of Jesus'*



Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2026

## Celebration of the Word

In Monday's assembly, we gathered together for a special Celebration of the Word as we began our journey into Lent. We reflected on the Gospel story of Jesus in the desert, where He faced many temptations but remained steadfast through His complete trust in God the Father. Through this story, the children explored how Jesus' example teaches us to rely on God whenever we face our own difficulties or "desert moments." We discussed the three pillars of Lent—prayer, fasting, and almsgiving—as practical ways to strengthen our friendship with Him.



## Lenten Service-Thank you Fr Samuel.

It was a joy to welcome Fr. Samuel into school this week for a special Lenten service, beautifully led by our pupils and members of the Faith Council. This gathering provided a sacred space for the children to pause and reflect on their personal Lenten journeys. Whether through quiet prayer or thoughtful discussion, the children were encouraged to consider how they might grow closer to God this season. Many used this time to make meaningful Lenten promises, contemplating how they can make positive changes in their daily lives and find more opportunities to pray.

## Magistrates Event-Mock Trial

Order in the court!

Our brilliant Year 6 pupils had an unforgettable experience this week taking part in a full mock trial, led by the fantastic Stockport magistrates!

The courtroom drama tackled a highly relevant and serious issue: online harassment.

Our children took on crucial roles to bring the case to life, portraying the victim, key witnesses, a fierce prosecution team, and even the legal adviser to the court!

Not only did they get a hands-on lesson in how the UK justice system works, but they also gained a vital understanding of the real-world consequences of cyberbullying.



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## Family Fast Day 2026-Thank you for your generosity.

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all our families for your incredibly generous contributions toward this year's Family Fast Day. Your donations will go directly to CAFOD, an organization that works tirelessly to reach those living in poverty and provide life-changing support to communities around the world. To help raise awareness for this vital cause, it was wonderful to see the school filled with colour as the children wore their crazy socks and showed off their painted nails. It was a fun and vibrant way to remind us all that even small actions can make a big difference for our global family.



## Article of the week-Article 24



### Faith in Action: CAFOD and Children's Rights

Building on our recent discussions about CAFOD's global mission, we have been linking the work of this Catholic organization to Article 24 of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child. This article highlights that every child has the right to the best possible health, including access to clean water, nutritious food, a clean environment, and healthcare education. The work of CAFOD complements this right beautifully, as they strive to ensure that even the most vulnerable communities have the resources they need to thrive. By supporting CAFOD, our school community is helping to uphold this vital right, remembering that richer countries have a duty to help others so that every child, everywhere, can stay healthy and safe.

## First Holy Communion 2026-A gentle reminder...

If you have not already spoken to your child's class teacher or made your choice for your chosen Parish for this year's First Holy Communion, then please follow this link and sign up:

- Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> May - Christ Church - 11.30 am
- Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May - St Ann's - 11.30 am
- Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May - St Chads - 11.30 am

If your child has been baptized into the Catholic Faith and have made/or are in the process of making their First Forgiveness, then please complete the google form link to select your chosen Parish and date.

<https://forms.gle/PaMinczAYtQsAzLz9>

More details regarding the arrangements for First Holy Communion and ways in which you can further support your children will be sent out in the near future.

## Lenten Fundraising

During the season of Lent, we are called as Christians, to give alms and support those less fortunate than ourselves. We are excited to again to hold '**Frantic Fridays**' in order to raise money with a significant donation to charities selected by the children. In the last 3 Fridays of the term, each class will play 'host' to the other 2 classes in the year group as the children host their own fundraising games and ideas. **Dates for each class to follow.** Last year was a huge success but we were mindful that some 'stalls' meant a considerable outlay from parents. We will be encouraging children to think about **simple, cheaper options** this year – some of the most popular activities last year including bringing in a game that children paid to have a go at (e.g. archery sets or shooting hoops).

## World Book Day

In this National Year of Reading, we are looking forward to World Book Day (Thursday 5th March) as a wonderful opportunity to celebrate our love of reading.

Children may come to school dressed as a book character if they wish, wear PJs or simply come in their own clothes if more comfortable.

The excitement continues beyond the classroom with our **World Book Day Book Fair**, to be held after school on Monday 2nd and break time Tues 3<sup>rd</sup> and Weds 4th. It's a wonderful opportunity for children and families to browse a fantastic selection of titles and bring a new favourite story home.

**Have a lovely weekend.  
All at CCJS**

**All dates are subject to change**

DIARY DATE	EVENT <i>Please be aware that dates below are provisional and may be changed.</i>
Monday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March	Book fair 3.30pm (hall)
Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> Weds 4 <sup>th</sup> March	Book fair (breaktime)
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> March	Class 6R and 6M Walk to Mass at Christ Church
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	Class 3M and 3W Walk to Mass at Christ Church
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Red Nose Day (details to follow)
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Class 3WM Walk to Mass at Christ Church
Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 leading Lenten Assembly, 9:15am – Parents welcome