

The Messenger



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50 years of St Gabriel's
1975-2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

A warm welcome to all, this first week of our 50th year! Welcome to all of our parents both new and less new (not old!) and to all of our pupils, young and 'older' in starting school for the first time or joining a new year group. The summer clearly came and went quickly but I hope it gave everyone some special time together. The school is buzzing again with the sound of children filling the rooms and corridors.

50 years of St Gabriel's

September 2024 sees St Gabriel's celebrate its 50th year since it first opened in 1975. So many pupils have passed through the doors in that time, some of you too as pupils, now as parents, and even some of our staff! It really is a time and a milestone we want to celebrate, especially in light of our recent inspection judgement. We are planning a significant fundraising drive for this year. Please see a parents meeting on 19th Sept and watch this space for more news to follow.

Pre-School Join-Yay!

September sees our Pre-School officially come under the whole school governance of the school. A long time in the making, this transition will see the fruits of the work undertaken in pre-school flourish further working with the school as the 'pre-school' class. We warmly welcome Mrs Karen Soutar to the Pre-School team. These are very exciting times ahead!

If you need to contact the Pre-School: school telephone number option 3

Email: preschool@stgabriels.cheshire.sch.uk

Have a great weekend!

E J Byrne

Forthcoming Dates

September 2024

Mon 9	Y3 and Y4 Stone Age/Egyptian workshops
Thurs 12	Welcome Mass 9:30 (All invited)
Tues 17	Y6 Playleader training
Thurs 19	Fundraising Meeting- All invited time 6pm
Fri 27	MacMillan Coffee Morning with Y6 9:00
Mon 30	Governors School Improvement Committee Meet

October

Tues 1	Tempest Photograph Day (Individual and siblings)
Thurs 3	Reading and Phonics Evening for Reception Parents 6pm
Mon 7	Governors Finance and Resources Meet
Fri 25	School closes for half term

November

Mon 4	School opens/RSPCA workshop
Mon 11	Y6 Assembly: Remembrance Day 10:45
Mon 25	Governing Board Meet

December

Fri 20	School closes for Christmas break
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January 2025

6 Jan 2025	NB: Change of INSET day for 24-25. New date: 6th January 2025 school will be closed. November 4 th (previous INSET) school will now be open.
Tues 7 Jan	School Opens for Spring Term

Reminders:

- After School clubs start next week 😊.
- Cakes will be requested by Y6 for the Macmillan Coffee morning on 27 September. Do try and attend if you have half an hour to spend with us. 😊

Traffic and Parking

If you are a new parent to St Gabriel's, you will quickly realise that the roads around the school can become congested very easily around drop off and pick up times.

We suggest keeping Well Lane to an 'informal' I-way system whereby entering along Cedar Avenue and driving up Well Lane to the Station Road junction. It isn't perfect but I know if we all follow this it can help avoid further problems with congestion. If a car comes 'down' Well Lane at this time it does cause further headaches. We try really hard to keep disruption to a minimum, thus helping our residents and neighbours. The car parking in Alsager is still free currently with two car parks on Station Road which can be accessed. Thank you for being considerate in what can be very stressful situations.

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