



St Simon's

NEWSLETTER



Friday 9TH January 2025

Mrs Crisp's notice

Happy New Year to you all, I hope that you had a wonderful Christmas and that you got to spend lots of special family time together with loved ones, celebrating the birth of Christ.

As we head into a new term, there are lots of wonderful events to look forward to. Please find the diary of events attached to this newsletter. All dates are also on the calendar on our website and class teachers will use dojo as a forum to remind you of dates that are specific to their year group.

One of the first events of this new year was the celebration of Mass led by our Y6 pupils yesterday and celebrated by Fr Philip. It was a wonderful occasion and the first of many to come. Fr Philip was suitably impressed by our Y6 children and rightly so. Well done to our eldest class for being such phenomenal role models.

Please ensure that your child/ren have warm coats and hats, gloves and scarves with them at school each day as the winter weather begins to take hold.

Wishing you a cosy, dry and warm weekend ahead.

God bless

Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father,
As we celebrate the Baptism of your Son, Jesus, in the River Jordan, we remember how the heavens opened and Your voice declared, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

We thank You for the gift of our own baptisms, which brought us into Your family. Help us to remember that we, too, are Your beloved children. When we feel discouraged or lost, remind us of our identity in You.

We ask this through Christ our Lord
Amen





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CROSS COUNTRY

The Primary Schools Cross Country League continues. The races start and finish at Woodbank Park Athletics Stadium.

- Match 4 - Saturday 17th January 2026 10.30 - 12.30pm
- Match 5 - Saturday 31st January 2026 10.30 - 12.30pm
- Match 6 - Saturday 28th February 2026 10.30 - 12.30pm

Presentation Day 21st March 2026

Race details

- Year 3 & 4 Girls - 10.30am 1500m
- Year 3 & 4 Boys - 10.50am 1500m
- Year 5 & 6 Girls 11.10am 2500m (2 Laps)
- Year 5 & 6 Boys 11.40am 2500 (2 Laps)

SCHOOL NURSE

School nurse date for the new year - Friday, 30th Jan,
8:30am - 11am

Feel free to drop in between the above times or alternatively contact the office to book a time.



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PTA NEWS

UV DISCO

A vibrant, colorful poster for a 'New Year Disco' event. The background is dark with bright, colorful confetti, streamers, and a large, glowing disco ball at the top. The text is in various colors and fonts, including a large, stylized 'Disco' in pink and purple. The event details are listed in a purple banner and below it. At the bottom, there are illustrations of four children dancing joyfully.

**NEW YEAR
Disco**

(Nursery, Reception, yr 1 & 2 - 5.45-6.45pm
& Years 3-6 7-8pm)

Friday, 30 January at school

Tickets **£3** available on ParentPay or pay on the door.

Dress Code: light coloured clothes as this is a UV disco

Reception-Year 6: Children can be dropped off.
Nursery: Parents are kindly asked to stay for the hour.



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Basketball Club



Start the new year with a new sport! Sign up now for basketball club starting next Thursday 15th Jan.

Thursdays 3:30 – 4:30pm

Only £6 per session (£30 for the full block)

Open to pupils from Year 1 – Year 6

Use the sign-up link below to book a place!

<https://progressive-sports-manchester.classforkids.io/term/232>

A great opportunity for children to develop skills, teamwork and have fun!



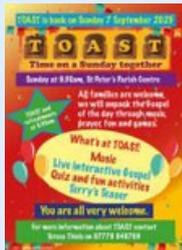
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TOAST

All St Simon's families are welcome to join TOAST on Sundays at 9.30am St Peter's Parish Centre. It's a fun way to encounter Jesus through music, worship, fun and games. Those whom attend love it. Come and see for yourselves.



SCHOOL MENU

Next week we will be on week 3 of the Autumn/Winter menu.

WEDNESDAY WORD

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/good-news?pid=MTAI01634&v=163.4>

TEN:TEN

Please click on the link to read the latest parental newsletter from TenTen

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>



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RESPECT

Reception - Naiya

Year 1 - Nova

Year 2 - Lennon

Year 3 - Fletcher

Year 4 - Isaac

Year 5 - Isabel

Year 6 - Oliwer

WINNING TEAM

The winning team this week is St Patrick's. Well done to all who are in this house.

STRIVE

Reception - Ethan

Year 1 - Ezra

Year 2 - Sophia

Year 3 - Layla

Year 4 - Emily

Year 5 - Ralph

Year 6 - Elizabeth

EBNO - Tyler

ATTENDANCE

Reception - 85.4%

Year 1 - 82.7%

Year 2 - 98.5% 

Year 3 - 97.4%

Year 4 - 97.5%

Year 5 - 84.7%

Year 6 - 95.2%

STRIVE VALUE

The most house points were awarded for being Trusted this week.

PUNCTUALITY

Reception - 98.6%

Year 1 - 99.1%

Year 2 - 96.9%

Year 3 - 99.5% 

Year 4 - 96.9%

Year 5 - 97.7%

Year 6 - 98.2%