



St Simon's

NEWSLETTER



Friday 12th September 2025

Mrs Crisp's notice

This week we received the icon of the Visitation from our Lady's Catholic Primary School, that Bishop Mark chose, to mark this Jubilee Year of Hope. The icon is journeying from school to school as a beautiful symbol of hope for us as a Diocesan family of schools.

We continued the pilgrimage by taking the icon to St Philip's Catholic Primary School on Wednesday where myself, Mrs Clarke and three Y6 pupils lead a celebration of the Word, spreading the message of hope to our extended school family. You can see images of this event on our Dojo school story.

Another amazing event that took place this week was Front Row Music coming to our school with their drum set, ukuleles and guitars and performing a musical concert for the whole school. It was truly inspirational; the hall became a venue and the children and staff had such fun singing and dancing along to some of their favourite songs. Front Row Music teach the ukulele and guitar to children in our school. If you are interested in your child learning how to play one of these instruments then please contact them directly, a flyer should have come home with your child, sharing further information.

What with swimming for Y5, an archery assembly to promote the extra curricular archery club starting next week, Forest School for Y2 & 3, multi sports for Reception and Y1 and Rugby sessions for Y5 & 6, it's been another busy week here at St Simon's.

The first full week back is always a tiring one. I hope that the children get to relax and recharge their batteries ready for week three next week.

Have a peaceful weekend and we will see you all on Monday.

God bless

Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both
humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.
May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.
Amen





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CROSS COUNTRY

September 2025 will see the return of Primary Schools Cross Country League. The races start and finish at Woodbank Park Athletics Stadium.

Match 1 - Saturday 20th September 10.30 - 12.30pm

Match 2 - Saturday 18th October 10.30 - 12.30pm

Match 3 - Saturday 22nd November 10.30- 12.30pm

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

Yr 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)



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PTA NEWS

PYJAMA DAY

Please do not send any products containing nuts.

Pyjamas/Onesie Donation Day!
Friday 26th September

Your child can wear their pyjamas or a onesie to school – but only in exchange for a donation of

Chocolate

for the Family Night Tombola

Thank you for your support!

For extra warmth, why not wear your dressing gown too!

FAMILY NIGHT

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FAMILY NIGHT
Friday 3rd October - 7pm - 9.30pm
St Peter's Parish Centre

A chance for all St Simon's children and their families to meet up socially! With a **disco** for the kids, a **tombola** & **snacks** will be available and the **bar** will be open!

Adults £2, Children £1 - or £6 for families of 5 or more

Pay on the door!



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HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR YOUR FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

Parents of school children in Stockport are being urged to apply for free school meals, with the potential to save up to £400 a year on lunchtime costs, as well as access additional pupil premium funding for their child's education.

Children may be eligible for free school meals if their parents receive any of the following benefits:

- Universal Credit (with an annual income of no more than £7,400 after tax, excluding benefits)
- Income Support • Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment and Support Allowance • Guaranteed element of State Pension Credit
- Child Tax Credit (with an income below £16,190, without receiving Working Tax Credit)

Parents of children in Reception, Year 1, or Year 2 should be particularly attentive. These children automatically receive free meals at lunchtime under government policy. However, even if they are already entitled to free school meals, it is crucial for parents to apply formally. Failure to do so means the school misses out on valuable Pupil Premium funding, which can make a significant difference to educational resources. Additionally, applying ensures that the entitlement continues beyond the age of seven.

How to apply

The application process is simple. Parents can visit the Stockport Council website at <https://www.stockport.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals> to complete the online form. The council aims to inform both parents and schools of the application outcome within a few days.

For any assistance, parents can contact the school office.



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TOAST

All St Simon's families are welcome to attend TOAST (Time On A Sunday Together) on Sunday, 9.30am, at St Peter's Parish Centre. It's a fun way to encounter Jesus through music, worship, fun and games. Those whom attend love it. Please come along to see for yourself.



SCHOOL MENU

Next week we will be on week 2 of the school menu.

WEDNESDAY WORD

<https://www.paperturn-view.com/wednesday-word/good-news?pid=MTA101634&v=163.4>



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RESPECT

Reception - Jack

Year 1 - Joshua

Year 2 - Aoife D

Year 3 - Merryn

Year 4 - Daniel U

Year 5 - Reign

Year 6 - Oliwer

WINNING TEAM

The winning team this week is St George's.

Well done to all who are in this house.

STRIVE

Reception - Kyrah

Year 1 - Rowenna

Year 2 - Jayden

Year 3 - Abundance

Year 4 - Savannah

Year 5 - Jenson

Year 6 - Darcey-Rae

EBNO - Sebastian

ATTENDANCE

Reception - 97.7%

Year 1 - 96.4%

Year 2 - 96.7%

Year 3 - 98.9% 

Year 4 - 93.2%

Year 5 - 96.8%

Year 6 - 94.1%

STRIVE VALUE

The most house points were awarded for being Trusted this week

PUNCTUALITY

Reception - 99.4%

Year 1 - 98.2%

Year 2 - 97.2%

Year 3 - 99.5% 

Year 4 - 97.5%

Year 5 - 98.4%

Year 6 - 98.9%