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John F Kennedy Catholic School

16th October 2026



There's a famous painting by English painter William Holman Hunt entitled 'the light of the world'. Painted in the latter half of the 19th century, it is set in a very dark, sinister looking forest. A tall bearded figure stands next to a door, holding a lantern in one hand and with the other hand he is knocking on the door. The door to this property is overgrown with tree branches and it appears that this place has been in darkness and neglected for a long time. Closer scrutiny of the door reveals that there is no handle and there are no hinges visible - the implication being that the door can only be opened from the inside. The title of the painting represents the figure, a depiction of Christ - the light of the world - who has come to breathe new life into this desolate place and bring it out of darkness. But the significance of the door is crucial in our understanding of what is being proposed. Christ is offering an invitation and it is up to the invited to open the door and welcome him in - there is no force or compulsion involved. It's a powerful image, reminding us that Christ's offer of salvation is for everyone, including or especially those who have been neglected and marginalised.

The theme of the week is 'invitation' and derives from last Sunday's Gospel, in which we heard the parable of the king's wedding banquet. In summary, a king arranged a big celebration for his son and invited lots of people to attend, but they didn't show up. Therefore he sent out his servants to gather up new guests, inviting anyone they encountered, good or bad. The party went ahead and was going nicely until the king spotted a guest who had disrespected the etiquette of the time. With no response when questioned about his conduct, he was thrown out into the darkness where there would be - my favourite phrase from the bible! - much wailing and gnashing of teeth!

This parable reminds us that all are invited to be part of the Catholic Christian faith, but if professing to be of the faith, one needs to bear witness to it and live out Christ's teachings, for example, demonstrating the Gospel values in everyday life.

When I delivered my Open Evening speech, I was offering an invitation to the audience that had gathered - no 'hard sell' - in fact I encouraged the visitors to attend other open events because the choice is so important - parents/carers have to find the right school for their child. Whilst the majority of our students are Catholic, many are not. However, rather like the scenario in the parable, once people are members of the JFK community, there is an expectation that they will uphold the ethos of the school. The theme of the week reminds our students that they have been invited to receive an education inspired by our Catholic faith and they are very welcome - but they also have a duty to respect the house rules.

JFK Open Events

We held our traditional open events for visitors over the past two weeks: Open Evening and Open Morning. Both events were very well attended and filled me with great pride. The feedback from visitors to the school was superb - on both occasions the students who were guides or helping out in department areas were complimented on their polite, friendly and confident manner; they were clearly proud to be members of the community. In a similar way, visitors appreciated the friendly welcome offered by staff. Individual discussions with visitors on Open Morning included praise for our exam results, the atmosphere of engagement in lessons and the wealth of opportunities beyond the academic that are on offer at JFK - all part of the rich offer we aim to provide for our students.

SIXTH FORM

ENRICHMENT

Our Year 12 and 13 students recently had the pleasure of welcoming back former JFK student Amy Rogers last week, who shared her inspiring journey into a career as a software engineer through a degree apprenticeship.

Amy provided students with a fascinating insight into her career, explaining how a degree apprenticeship enabled her to gain valuable industry experience while studying towards a degree. She also offered practical advice on the application process, highlighting the opportunities available to students considering alternative pathways to university.

A particularly engaging part of the session focused on artificial intelligence and the future of technology, with Amy sharing her insights into how rapidly the industry is evolving and what this could mean for future careers.

It was fantastic to welcome Amy back to JFK and see the success of one of our former students. We are incredibly grateful to her for taking the time to inspire our Sixth Formers and broaden their understanding of the exciting opportunities available beyond Sixth Form.



Mr Wainman - Assistant Director of Sixth Form

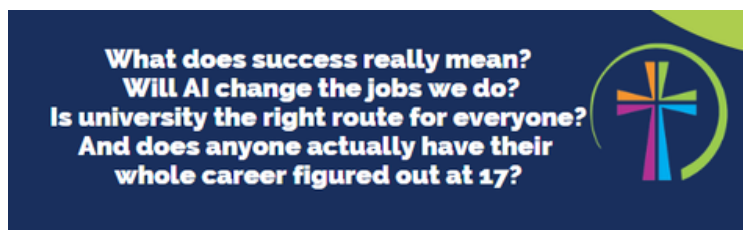
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ASCAT Sixth Form Careers Launch Event



These were just some of the questions explored by our Year 12 students at the ASCAT Careers Launch on 21 September. This event encouraged students to look beyond their exams and start thinking about the rapidly changing world of work.

Exploring the future of work

A key focus was the impact of artificial intelligence and emerging technology on employment. Students explored which roles could be affected by AI, but also discovered exciting new careers developing in areas such as AI and machine learning, cybersecurity, renewable energy, healthcare and AgTech. The message was not that AI will simply replace people, but that the future will increasingly involve humans working alongside technology. Students considered the importance of skills such as creativity, empathy, communication, judgement and adaptability.

Students then put their knowledge into practice through a Future Investment Challenge, working in teams to decide whether they would invest in different employment sectors based on future growth, emerging careers, skills and opportunities.

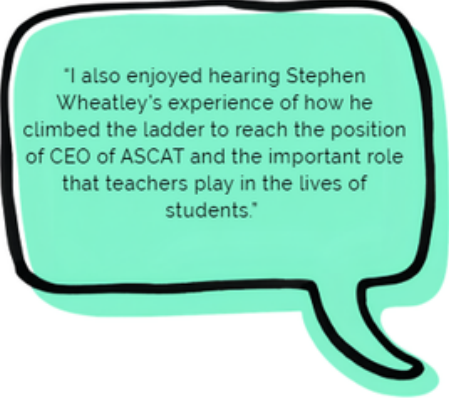
The interactive nature of the session was a real hit, with students particularly highlighting teamwork, group discussions and activities as their favourite parts of the day.



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Real journeys

Students heard from ASCAT CEO Stephen Wheatley, who shared his own career journey from Year 12, through university, teaching and leadership to his current role as CEO. His story demonstrated that careers are rarely a straight line and that opportunities and experiences can shape our future in unexpected ways.



"I also enjoyed hearing Stephen Wheatley's experience of how he climbed the ladder to reach the position of CEO of ASCAT and the important role that teachers play in the lives of students."



It really helped to reflect on what skills are important to cultivate to succeed in the future."

Routes to success

With 90% of our Sixth Formers considering University as their planned next step after school we challenged the idea that university is the only option. Students also explored apprenticeships, employment, internships and self-employment, considering the different opportunities and factors involved in each route.

What's next?

Over the next two years, students will have opportunities to explore careers, develop skills and take part in work experience. We are particularly looking forward to bringing both schools together in the summer term for a full Futures Day that will support all our students in gaining real world interview and assessment centre experience.



"Overall, I found the whole experience really inspiring and it left me seriously considering my next steps."



"I thoroughly loved hearing about previous careers different members who spoke had and even current jobs they have on top of what they already do. It was really inspiring to hear that careers aren't something linear."

Mrs Jenkins - Careers Leader



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Help Our Year 12 Students Gain Real-World Experience!

We know that our parent body is rich in professional talent across a huge range of industries. We would love to tap into that incredible wealth of expertise to support our upcoming ASCAT Mock Assessment Centre on 2nd July 2027 at Croxley Business Park.

This event brings together Year 12 students from both John F. Kennedy and Joan of Arc Catholic Secondary Schools for a crucial day of career preparation.

Who can volunteer?

We welcome help from across the entire ASCAT network, including:

- Parents and family members
- Trust staff and spouses
- Governors, Directors, and Parish members
- Professionals within our wider local network

How you can help: Volunteers are needed to assist with mock interviews and supervision of assessment centre activities.

If you are willing to lend your time and expertise to help build our students' confidence and career skills, please register your interest using the form below.

<https://forms.gle/q22r7SytDXF1bDMM8>

T Levels Webinar for Parents and Carers

National T Levels Week 2026 is an opportunity to raise awareness of T Levels and the exciting opportunities they offer young people as they consider their next steps after GCSEs.

T Levels are two-year qualifications for students aged 16–19, designed as an alternative to A Levels and apprenticeships. They combine classroom learning with practical experience through an industry placement, helping students develop the skills and knowledge needed for future employment, apprenticeships or higher education.

As part of National T Levels Week 2026, parents and carers are invited to join a free webinar to learn more about T Levels, how they compare with other post-16 options and the opportunities they can offer young people.

Date: Tuesday 20 October 2026

Time: 6.30pm – 7.15pm

Event: Understanding T Levels

The session will include insights from the Department for Education and a parent sharing their experience of T Levels.

[Click here to register](#)

If you are unable to attend live, please register anyway to receive a recording of the webinar and presentation slides afterwards.

Mrs Jenkins - Careers Leader



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DRAMA



Our Year 10, 11, 12 and 13 Drama students had a fantastic trip last week on Thursday 8th October to see HADESTOWN in the West End! Live theatre is an invaluable part of their Drama studies, allowing students to develop their live theatre review skills while inspiring and informing their own practical performance work. We were particularly proud to receive so many compliments from different audience members about the students' impeccable behaviour throughout the trip. The students thoroughly enjoyed the experience and it was a wonderful opportunity to see world-class theatre in action.

HADESTOWN is a multi-award-winning musical that intertwines the ancient Greek myths of Orpheus and Eurydice and Hades and Persephone in a haunting, jazz and folk-inspired retelling. With its striking staging, atmospheric music and powerful exploration of love, hope and sacrifice, it offers a wealth of inspiration for young theatre-makers.

Well done KS4 & KS5 Drama Students.

Sky Studios Elstree

On Wednesday 14th October, select year 10, 11 and 12 students attended an incredible trip to Sky Studios Elstree to explore the amazing career opportunities they offer in the entertainment industry. We created our own film pitch's from scratch in the greenscreen studio, discovered interesting information about a wide range of career pathways and went on a fantastic tour of the studios: We sat in the comfy chairs in one of their cinema screening rooms, which has recently housed the director and editor for Wicked For Good conducting live editing for the movie; we saw parts of real movie sets from Jurassic World, ET and Wicked For Good and we were blown away hearing about all of the famous stars who had walked those hallways and used each area since the studio opened.

The students behaved impeccably and had the most amazing time, leaving very inspired to consider the entertainment industry for their future career.

Thank you Mrs Jenkins for arranging such an awesome trip!



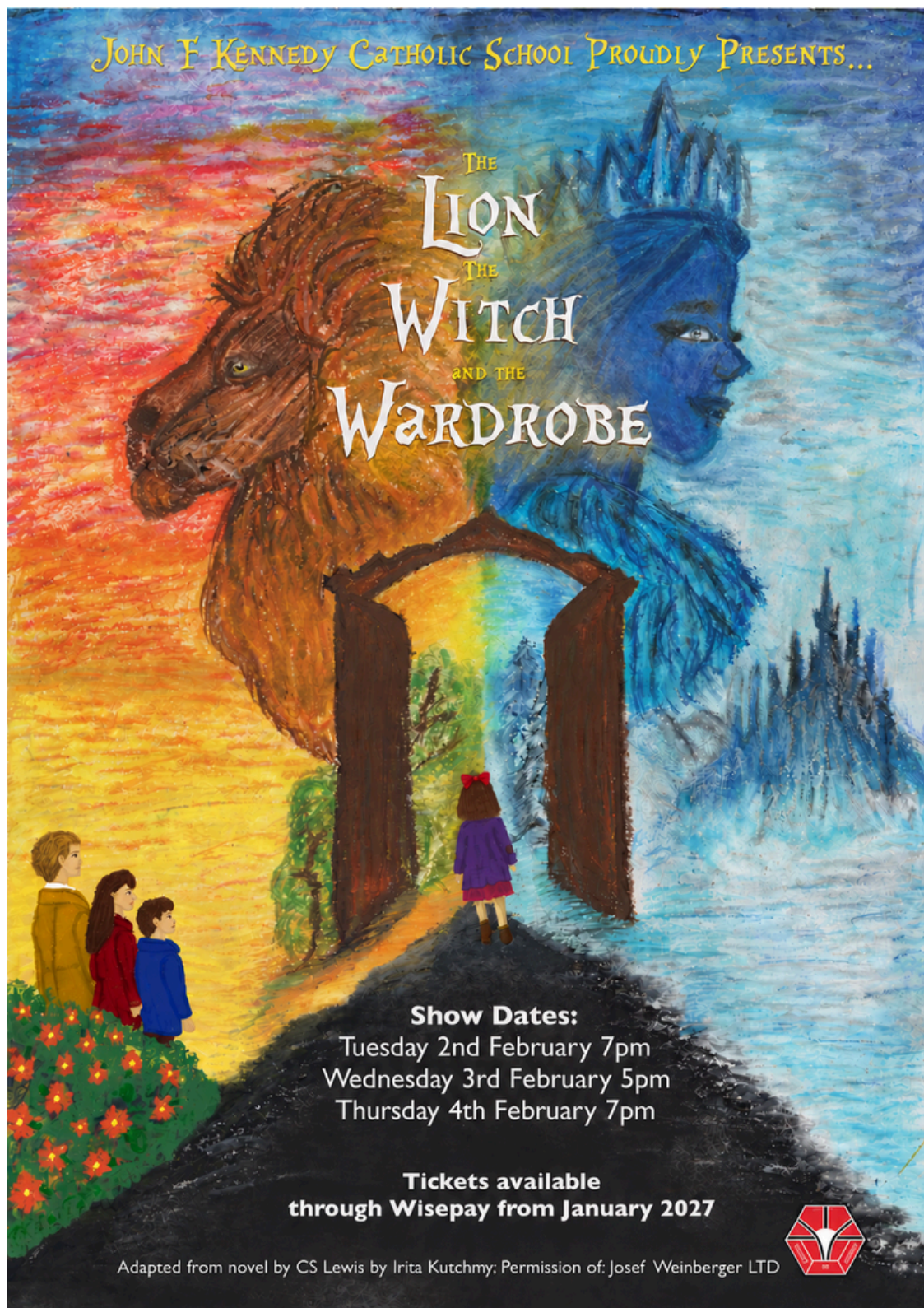
Ms Horton - Drama Subject Leader

Check out our instagram page - [jfkdramadepth](#)



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Poster designed by Sofia Gazza 9H

Tickets will be on sale December and January through Wisepay, more details to follow.

Ms Horton - Drama Subject Leader & Ms Brewer - Drama Teacher

Check out our instagram page - jfkdramadep



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MUSIC

Monday 19th October - Solos Concert 7pm JFK Hall

This is an opportunity for students to perform a solo piece, with accompanist, to an audience in a relaxed and encouraging setting. Students will have received an email inviting them to play (as recommended by their instrumental teachers) but if your son/daughter would like to take part please email kmetcalfe@jfk.herts.sch.uk. It is hoped that there will be another solos concert later in the year thus giving everyone who wishes the opportunity.

Monday 7th December - Christmas Concert - 7pm JFK Hall

This will be a wonderful evening bringing together musicians from the chamber choir, orchestra, rock bands, soloists, and the Year 7 Singers. Information regarding tickets will be sent after the half term holiday but please put the date in your diary!

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— PACEM IN TERRIS —
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WHAT'S ON in MUSIC?! AUTUMN TERM 2026 - KEY DATES -

Day	Date	Event
Monday	19th October	Solos Concert
Thursday	12th November	GCSE Concert Trip
Thursday	19th November	ST CECILIA'S DAY MASS FOR MUSICIANS
Monday	7th December	CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Live Music. Real Moments. Be Part of It!

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WHAT'S ON each WEEK in MUSIC?! in MUSIC?! each WEEK

Day	Activity	Room
Monday	SCHOOL SHOW SINGING	D01
Tuesday	CHAMBER CHOIR	D01
Tuesday	DJ CLUB	D02
Wednesday	ORCHESTRA	D01
Wednesday	ABRSM THEORY CLASS	D02
Thursday	SCHOOL SHOW BAND	D01
Thursday	MUSIC RECORDING STUDIO CLUB	D04
Friday	ROCK BANDS	D01 / D03 / D05

Make Music. Make Memories. Join In!

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Mrs Metcalfe - Director of Music

Check out our instagram page - [jfk.music.department](https://www.instagram.com/jfk.music.department)



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PHYSICAL EDUCATION

JFK SPORTS CLUBS: Term 1

TIME	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	After School
Daytime	Netball/Football			Recreational Sport	Rugby/GFB	
	1st Half term: LUNCH 1.30pm - 2.30pm					3.30 - 4.40pm
TJ	Y11 Football Recreational & Performance	Y8 Football Recreational & Performance	Y7&8 Football Recreational & Performance	Y7 Football Recreational & Performance		Y7 FB Y8 FB Y11 FB
JJY	Y10 & Sr Football Recreational & Performance		DUTY		Y7&8 Rugby Recreational & Performance	Y8 FB Y7&8 Rugby
SC*		Y9 Football Recreational & Performance			Girls Football Recreational & Performance	Y9 FB Y13 GFB Y15 GFB
LT		Y8 Netball Recreational & Performance				Y8 NB
PH	Y11 Netball Recreational & Performance	DUTY				Y11 NB
MR	Y9 Netball Recreational & Performance	Y7 Netball Recreational & Performance			Defensions & Intervention	Y7 NB Y9 NB
RP	Y10 Netball Recreational & Performance			Girls Football Recreational & Performance <i>(When SC on maternity)</i>		Y10 NB
Due to the Gym & Dance show, after October half term Netball will be paused until after Christmas.						
LT	Y10 Dance Performance: D/Studio	Y7 Gymnastics Performance: Gym			Y8 Dance Performance: D/Studio	Monday: Tap Performance
PH	Y9 Gymnastics Performance: Gym	DUTY	Y7 Dance Performance: D/Studio			
MR		Y8 Dance Performance: D/Studio		Y8 Gymnastics Performance: Gym	Defensions & Intervention	TBC: Ballet Performance
RP			Y10/11 Elite Gymnastics Performance: Gym	Commercial Performance: Studio	Jazz Performance: Studio Irish Performance: Studio	

JFK PE FIXTURE INFORMATION

What you need to know

JFK PE DEPARTMENT
TEAMWORK
RESPECT
DETERMINATION
BELONGING

1 HOW TEAMS ARE SELECTED

- Teams are usually selected after training.
- Selection can depend on effort, attitude, attendance, performance and the needs of the team.
- Good behaviour in school matters – representing JFK is a privilege.
- Poor behaviour in school may mean you are not selected.
- We want students who represent the values of JFK.

2 WHERE TO FIND FIXTURE INFO

- Check Google Classroom.
- Check the school calendar.
- Details will include: opposition, venue, times and the squad selected.
- Students must share fixture information with home.

3 ON THE DAY

- Bring the correct kit and equipment.
- Bring any medication you need, such as inhalers or EpiPens.
- Bring a drink and be ready to go.
- Unless PE staff tell you otherwise, stay in lessons until normal release.

4 TRAVEL & COLLECTION

- Away fixtures travel by school minibus or approved staff vehicle.
- Return to JFK is usually between 5–6pm depending on traffic and location.
- Text home with an ETA when we leave if possible.
- You may only leave from an away venue if PE staff have permission from home.

5 REMEMBER

- Show respect, sportsmanship and great behaviour.
- Tell PE staff if you should not be in photos.
- Follow staff instructions at all times.

RESPECT
SPORTSMANSHIP
TEAMWORK
POSITIVE ATTITUDE

Play hard. Be prepared. Represent JFK with pride.

Ms Rooney - PE Subject Leader

Check out our instagram page - jfkpedept



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GENERAL NOTICES

Appointments During School

Please try to avoid making medical appointments during the school day. If this is not possible, please alert the Year Team via email with confirmation of the appointment letter/email/screenshot at least 24 hours in advance.

If your child does need to leave for a pre-arranged medical appointment please ensure that they are aware of the time and date of the appointment and are instructed to be ready in reception to be collected. There have been a number of occasions recently whereby the office staff have had to search for a student in order for them to be picked up.

Illness During the School Day

We have seen an increase in students calling parents prior to seeking medical attention at school. Any student feeling unwell during the school day should report to Student Services where they will be seen by a medically trained member of staff. Please do impress upon your children the importance of the school contacting home if it is required during the school day. It can cause parents unnecessary worry which we would like to avoid.

Absence	 
Year 7	01442 229105 year7@jfk.herts.sch.uk
Year 8	01442 229124 year8@jfk.herts.sch.uk
Year 9	01442 229131 year9@jfk.herts.sch.uk
Year 10	01442 229132 year10@jfk.herts.sch.uk
Year 11	01442 229136 year11@jfk.herts.sch.uk
Sixth Form	01442 229137 6thform@jfk.herts.sch.uk

If your son/daughter is going to be absent due to illness please telephone the school absence line by 9.00am on each day of absence



[Is my child too ill for school?](#)

NHS advice about when to keep your child off school



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ROAD SAFETY



Parents/Carers are reminded about the importance of road safety and we highlight a number of points you may wish to discuss with your child:

- The importance of crossing the road at a safe place.
- Using either a zebra or pelican crossing where possible
- Avoid crossing behind parked cars
- Never run out into the road
- Be aware of your surroundings – take out earphones and stop talking with friends or on the phone when crossing the road
- Have reflective items on jackets or bag.
- If cycling, follow the same instruction and make sure you have lights on your bike and wear a helmet at all times.

JFK enjoys good relationships with our neighbours and local community.

Please be mindful of driveways, access and residential parking areas in Hollybush Lane, Long Chaulden, Boxted Road and neighbouring roads if dropping off/picking up your child from school.

Please also try and avoid leaving your car engines running outside of school.

Disabled Parking Zones

Please can we ask that the disabled parking bays located along Hollybush Lane be kept clear. They are marked on the path and are needed to be accessed by local residents.

Cycling to and from school

A reminder to students that you must dismount before entering the school grounds and walk your bicycle in.



TRIPS 2026/27



A GENTLE
REMINDER

Monthly Instalments are dues on the 1st of each month
for the following :

- Theatre Trips - Oliver
- Year 7 Pantomime
- Iceland 2027
- Sports Tour 2027
- A Taste of Italy 2027
- Rome 2027



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UPCOMING EVENTS

MONTH OF OCTOBER

- Wednesday 21st October, Year 13 Consultation Evening
- w/c 26th October, HALF TERM

FUTURE DATES

- Monday 2nd November, Return to school
- Wednesday 4th November, Sixth Form Open Evening
- Thursday 5th November, ASCAT Synod and Mass (selected students only)
- Monday 16th November, Year 11 Mock exams begin
- Wednesday 18th November, Oliver Theatre Trip (Yr 8 Students)
- Friday 20th November, Year 8 Sleepover



SAFEGUARDING IN FOCUS



At John F Kennedy Catholic School, safeguarding is at the heart of everything we do, and we work hard to ensure that every child feels safe, supported and listened to within our school community.

Our safeguarding team plays a vital role in this work. The team works closely with students, families, staff and external agencies to promote a culture where safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. Students and families can reach out to the safeguarding team for support. We recognise that parents and carers are key partners in safeguarding. We encourage families to familiarise themselves with our safeguarding approach, policies and procedures, which are available on the school website:

[Safeguarding information and policies](#)

In addition, the school provides a range of supportive links and resources for students and families, covering areas such as mental health, online safety, wellbeing and external support services:

[Support for students and families](#)

If you ever have a safeguarding concern, no matter how small it may seem, we urge you to share it. Concerns can be raised confidentially by emailing:

staysafe@jfk.herts.sch.uk

Letting us know about concerns, however small they may seem, allows us to offer the right support when it is needed. Working closely with families helps us maintain a safe, inclusive and caring school community where every child can feel secure and valued.



ATTENDANCE

Supporting Every Student's Journey

"I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." — John 10:10

At the heart of our Catholic community is the belief that every child is a unique gift from God, blessed with individual gifts and talents. Our mission is to nurture the whole child—spiritually, academically, and emotionally—so they can flourish and thrive.

To truly experience "life to the full" within our school community, consistent attendance is vital. When your child is here, they aren't just attending lessons; they are building friendships, growing in faith, and developing the resilience they need for the future.

Working in Partnership

We understand that life can sometimes bring challenges that make school attendance difficult. Whether it is a health concern, anxiety, or a change in family circumstances, please know that you are not alone.

In line with the latest Department for Education guidance, we believe that attendance is a shared responsibility. Our goal is to work in partnership with families to remove any barriers your child may be facing.

How We Can Help

The best time to reach out is always the early stage. If you notice your child is reluctant to attend or is struggling, please don't wait for the situation to escalate.

- **Early Conversation:** A simple phone call to your child's Achievement Team can start a supportive dialogue.
- **Tailored Support:** We offer a range of internal pastoral support, from mentoring to counselling and mental health support.
- **Our Online Support Hub:** We have a dedicated Attendance page on our school website. This includes practical tips, links to external wellbeing resources, and a clear guide on how we work with families to improve attendance.

[Attendance JFK Website](#)

By working together we ensure that every student feels safe, valued, and ready to learn.

Mrs Bailey - Deputy Headteacher



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RECEPTION TOURS FOR ENTRY SEPTEMBER 2027



St Thomas More
Catholic Primary School

Reception Tours for
September 2027

Supportive and engaged community
Proud to be an OPAL Platinum school
Rooted in Catholic values
Academic ambition for all

Tuesday 10th November 9:15-10:15 am
Monday 23rd November 9:15-10:15 am
Monday 11th January 2-3pm

Book here:
<https://forms.gle/L7encspGDmrLWckd8>

"Leaders make early years a priority. They give children a happy and positive start to school."
- Ofsted Report June 2026

Dignity|Compassion|Perseverance

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admin@stmore.herts.sch.uk

Check us out on social media: @stmorecps
Visit our school website: www.stmore.herts.sch.uk

St Albert the Great Catholic Primary School

Reception Tours available:

Thursday 12th November, 9.15-10.15am

Wednesday 25th November, 2.00-3.00pm

Tuesday 12th January, 9.15-10.15am

Please book [HERE](#)

School Tours - St Rose's Catholic Infant School

Pre School 2027, Nursery 2027 & Reception 2027

We are now taking bookings for tours of St Rose's on the following dates:-

- Wed 4th Nov at 1.30pm
- Wed 2nd Dec at 1.30pm
- Wed 13th Jan at 1.30pm
- Tues 2nd Feb at 1.30pm (this one is after Reception admissions closes)

To book please click [HERE](#)



Delivering Special Provision Locally

Please see the DSPL8 Parents/Carers Newsletter Autumn 2026 [HERE](#)



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ST THOMAS MORE CELEBRATES

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Friends of St Thomas More,

This academic year, we are celebrating 90 years of St Thomas More Catholic Primary School and 60 years at our home on Greenway.

We would love our current families, staff, former pupils and wider community to be part of this special year. It is an opportunity to celebrate the school's history, reconnect with old friends and look ahead to what we can build together for future generations.

Our Catholic faith is at the heart of St Thomas More. Across the generations, our school has been shaped by people who have cared for its children, supported its work and helped it grow. We hope the anniversary will bring many of those people together again.

Share your memories and help us reconnect

We are launching a St Thomas More Alumni & Friends network, open to former pupils, parents, staff, governors and others with a connection to the school.

If you would like to join, please complete our short form:

[St Thomas More – Alumni & Friends](#)

We would also love to collect photographs and memories from across the years. These could include a favourite teacher, a school performance, a memorable trip or an everyday moment that has stayed with you. Please contact alumni@stmore.herts.sch.uk if you have something to share.

If you know someone with a connection to St Thomas More, please pass this letter on.

Celebrating together

Our first event will be an informal Alumni Drinks Evening at school on **Friday 13 November, from 7.00–9.30pm.**

We warmly welcome former pupils, parents and staff, alongside current families and friends of the school, to reconnect and share memories. There will be photographs and memories on display, and I will say a few words about the school's future.

Please save the date. A separate invitation will follow shortly with details of how to let us know you are coming.

We are also planning a larger anniversary celebration later in the academic year and will share more details once these are agreed.

Looking ahead

Alongside the celebrations, we are developing plans for a St Thomas More Development Fund to support the school for current and future pupils. Governors are working with us to agree what the fund will support, a fundraising target and how donations will be managed. We will share these details before launching an appeal.

We would also welcome current parents who would like to become Parent Ambassadors, helping us welcome prospective families, share the school's story and strengthen our connections in the community. Please contact the school office if you are interested.

Thank you to everyone who contributes to the life of St Thomas More. We look forward to hearing your memories and celebrating this anniversary year together.



COMMUNITY



HEMEL ACES F.C.

GOALKEEPER WANTED

Girls U13 (Year 8 from September)

Join Hemel Aces F.C.

Position: Goalkeeper

2026/27 Season (U13 – Year 8 from September)

Location: Hemel Hempstead

All abilities welcome – enthusiasm and commitment are key!

- Join a friendly, supportive team environment
- FA qualified coaching
- Great opportunity to develop and enjoy football

Interested? Get in touch now to arrange a trial!

CONTACT US: Nick Hill 07472 384368

FREE TASTER SESSION!

INTERESTED IN OUR JUNIOR SESSIONS, BUT WANT TO TRY IT OUT FIRST?

We are now offering a free taster session to all new juniors, so you can try before you buy!

Questions? Get in touch:
juniordoaching@stormbasketball.net

Offer valid for new participants in Hemel Storm's junior programme. Redeemable at any Ignite or Edge session.

Youth Mental Health First Aid Training

FREE



1 day Champion course designed specifically for Hertfordshire Parent/Carers of 8 to 18 year olds.

You will learn:

- An understanding of common mental health issues and how they can affect young people
- The ability to spot the signs of mental ill health in young people, and guide them to a place of support
- Knowledge and confidence to advocate for mental health awareness
- Skills to support positive wellbeing

Friday 13 Nov 2026 9.30am to 4pm	Peartree Spring Primary School, Stevenage, SG2 9GG	Parents/Carers	Parking available on roads near venue
Friday 12 Mar 2027 9.30am to 4pm	Hobbs Hill Wood Primary School, Hemel Hempstead, HP3 8ER	Parents/Carers	Parking available on site

To book your place please email schoolsmh@hertfordshire.gov.uk
Places are limited to two representatives per education setting



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