

HFCS BULLETIN

Weekly bulletin for parents & carers

TIMETABLE: WEEK 1

Calendar

Monday 15th September

SEND Surgery 3.15 - 4.15pm



Tuesday 16th September

Wednesday 17th September Jack Petchey Awards Nominations

Thursday 18th September

Friday 19th September

Catholic Life Calendar

Catholic Life and Mission

14 September 2025 - Exaltation of the Holy Cross
John 3:13-17 'The Son of Man must be lifted up'

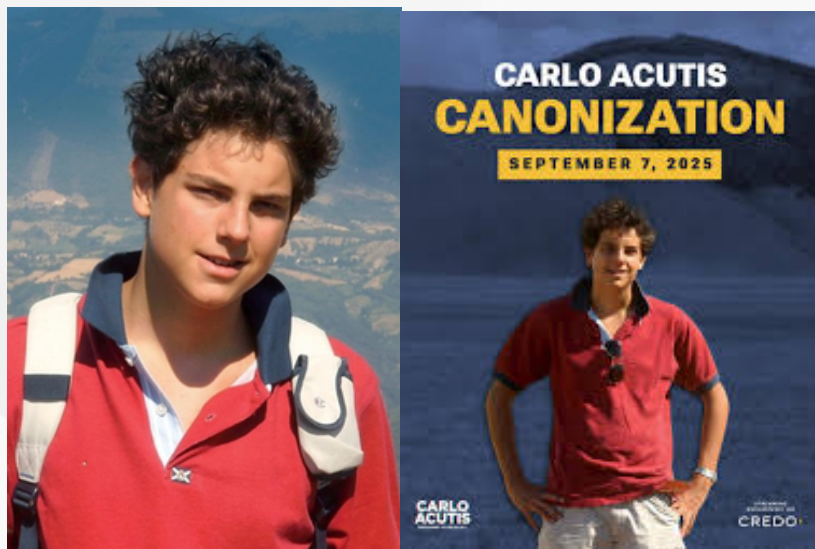
The eternal life God offers through Jesus is not life without end but life lived in the unending presence of God. That is why it can begin now in this life.

Education Sunday - 14 September
Education Sunday was established in 1848. Education remains the largest charitable activity of the Church in this country, with many of our schools established for poor immigrant children in the 19th century. Since then, the Catholic Church has become the country's largest provider of secondary schools and second-largest provider of primary schools, along with four universities.

We pray for our school and all Catholic schools in our area. We give thanks for the dedication, example and inspiration of school leaders, teachers and all who contribute to nurturing and supporting children and young people. May our school communities be filled with Jesus' compassion and love.
Amen

Denise
Chaplaincy

"May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven."



Headteacher's Update

Dear Parents and Carers,

St Carlo Acutis

A London-born boy has become the first millennial saint, in a ceremony presided over by Pope Leo on Sunday.

'To always be close to Jesus, that's my life plan'

St Carlo Acutis (3 May 1991 - 12 October 2006) Pray for us

With every blessing,

Mrs Laws

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Headteacher's Update

Dear Parent or Guardian,

A very warm welcome to the start of a new academic year. We are especially delighted to welcome our new Year 7 and Year 12 students and their families into our school community. It has been a joy to see how quickly they are settling in and embracing all that our school has to offer.

Over the summer, we celebrated another year of very strong examination outcomes. Our GCSE results showed an improvement across the board from last year and attainment was above national. Our post-16 results were a real testament to the commitment of our students and the dedication of their teachers. We are incredibly proud of all that they have achieved and look forward to seeing our young people continue to flourish in the next stage of their learning.

Despite the challenges of the recent tube strikes, our students have made an excellent start to term. Their punctuality, resilience and positive attitude have been commendable and set a strong tone for the year ahead.

As we begin the term, I would like to remind everyone of our high expectations:

- Uniform: ties and blazers are to be worn smartly at all times, with black socks (or black tights for girls).
- Appearance: jewellery (apart from a small cross and a watch) and makeup are not permitted. Jewellery will be confiscated.
- Mobile phones and smart watches: these are not permitted and will be confiscated if found.

These expectations help us maintain the respectful, purposeful atmosphere in which every student can thrive. You can read our Behaviour for learning policy and see our uniform expectations on the school website.

This term we also rejoice with the whole Church at the canonisation of Saint Carlo Acutis, a remarkable young man whose love for the Eucharist and dedication to sharing the Gospel through modern technology make him a powerful role model for our own students. Like Carlo, we are called to live our faith with joy and creativity.

Our ASPIRE values—Achievement, Service, Participation, Integrity, Respect and Equity—together with the principles of Catholic Social Teaching, continue to underpin everything we do. They shape the way we learn, care for one another and reach out to the wider community.

Thank you for your continued support as we work in partnership to give every young person the best possible opportunities. With your encouragement and our shared faith, I am confident this year will be one of growth, success and hope.

With every blessing for the term ahead,

Mrs Laws



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