



St Dunstan's Catholic School
As we Grow With God, We Learn From Each Other
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Orchard Club
Opens 7.30am
Closes 5.30pm

October 2026

The past few weeks have been filled with wonderful opportunities for our school community to come together. From our Welcome and Harvest Masses, the Mini Vinnies' Mass and welcoming Fr Michael, to our much-loved Grandparents' and Special Adults' Afternoon, it has been a joy to celebrate our faith, learning and relationships together.

We have been overwhelmed by the number of visitors who have joined us and by the many messages of thanks, cards and kind comments we have received. Your continued support means so much to our children and staff, and we thank you for helping to make these occasions so special.

A reminder that Parent's Evening booking is now open. Please ensure you book your appointment via School Gateway. A reminder that school will close to children on **Thursday 22nd October at 2.30pm** for parents' evening. The Orchard Club will be available to book from 2.30pm on this day.

A reminder that the following events will be taking place next week, and we look forward to welcoming families who are able to join us.

On Tuesday, Fr John will be meeting with Year 3 and Year 6 parents for a Sacramental Preparation Meeting in the school hall at 3.45pm.

On Wednesday, Class 6 will lead their class Mass at St Dunstan's Church, and on Thursday at 9.15am Year 5 will be presenting their class assembly in the school hall,. Families are warmly invited to attend these special occasions.

Have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards,

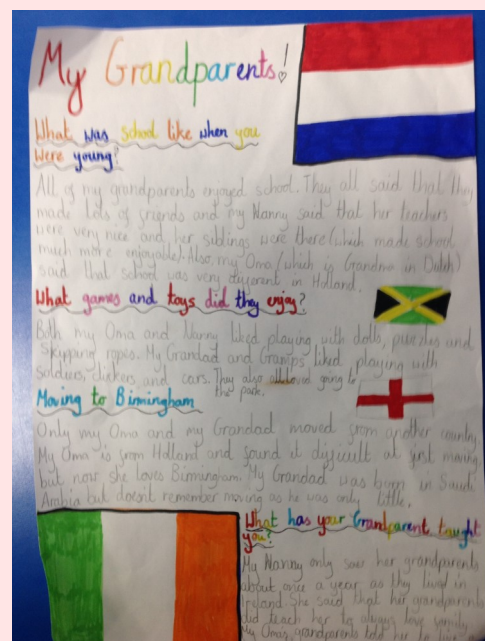
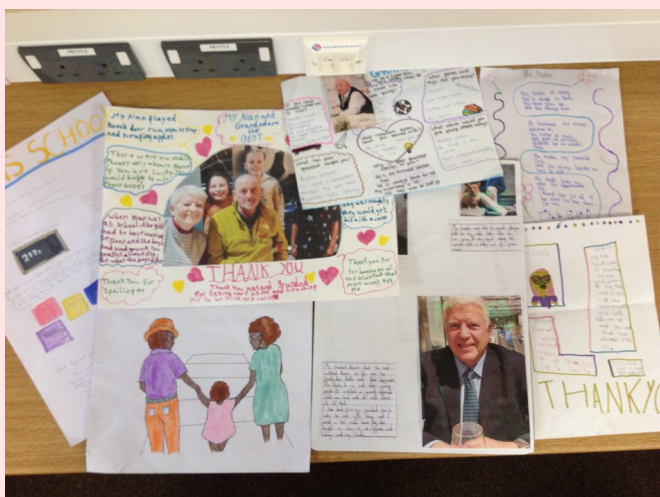
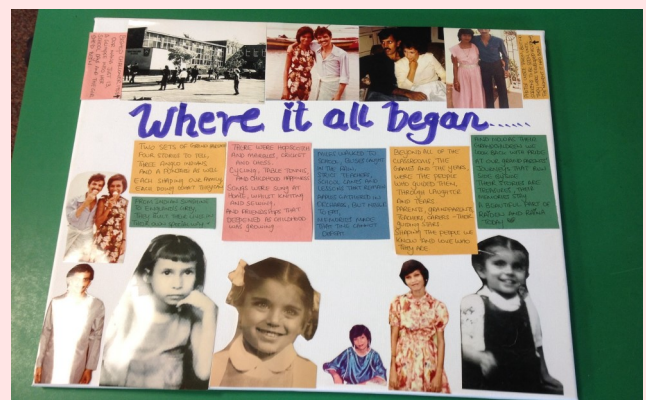
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Families and Community—Grandparents' and Special Adults' Afternoon

Our **Grandparents' and Special Adults' Afternoon** was a wonderful celebration of family, faith and learning. It was fantastic to see the beautiful work completed at home, with children and their grandparents or special people sharing memories, stories and special moments together through a range of creative projects.

It was a joy to welcome so many visitors into school to enjoy the children's work and spend time together. The afternoon was a huge success, filled with proud smiles, meaningful conversations and lots of happy memories. Thank you to everyone who joined us and helped make the event so special.





Home Learning Project—Creation

Our children and families have produced some wonderful work for our first Home Learning Project, based on the Season of Creation and celebrating the Year of St Francis of Assisi.

The displays showcase a range of creative responses, including artwork, models, posters and prayers, all reflecting on how we can care for God's creation. We are incredibly proud of the thought, effort and creativity shown by everyone involved.

Thank you to all the children and families for helping to bring our faith and learning to life through these fantastic projects.





Special Masses

We have been blessed to celebrate several special Masses this half term, bringing our school and parish communities together in prayer and thanksgiving. We welcomed our youngest children and their families at our Nursery and Reception Welcome Mass with St Alban's, celebrated the Feast of St Vincent de Paul through our Mini Vinnies Mass, and gathered as a school community for our Harvest Mass, giving thanks for God's many blessings and for the generous food donations received.

It was also a joy to celebrate our Reception Welcome Mass, helping our newest children feel part of our school family from the very beginning. We were particularly delighted to warmly welcome Fr Michael to our parish and school community. Thank you to everyone who helped make these celebrations such prayerful and memorable occasions.





Catholic Life

Throughout October, the Month of the Rosary, our prayer tables have been beautifully decorated to honour Mary, helping children to reflect on her importance in our faith and encouraging moments of prayer and reflection in classrooms.

Our Rosary Prayer Bags, thoughtfully prepared by our school prefects, will be going home with families tonight. We hope they will provide a special opportunity for children and their loved ones to pray together during the Month of the Rosary, strengthening the link between home, school and parish.

