

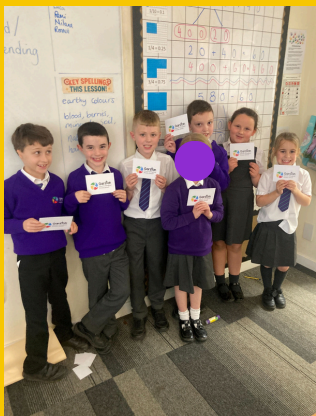
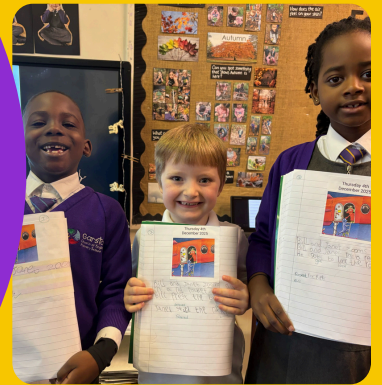
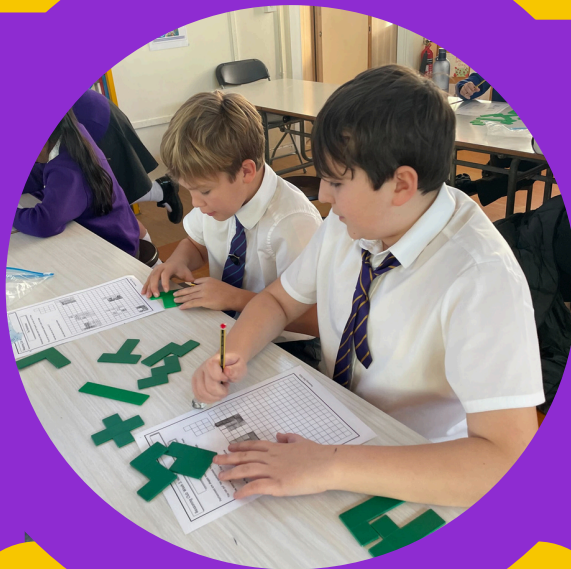
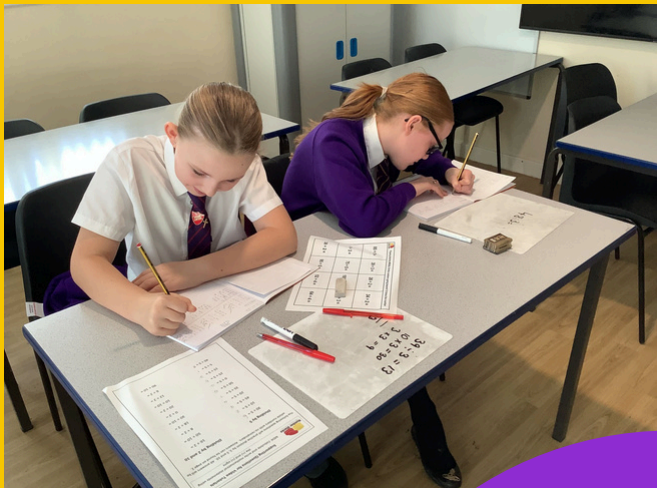


Garston
Church of England
Primary School

Autumn
Term 2

Life in all its fullness
John 10:10

Newsletter



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As we wrap up the Autumn term, it is important to take a moment to reflect on all the many successes we have achieved together this term.

We also come to the end of a calendar year, and would like to take a moment to reflect on all the amazing achievements over the last 12 months.

We are incredibly excited for all to come in 2026.



LET'S
CELEBRATE



We are delighted to announce that Garston C of E Primary School has been recognised as the top-performing school in Liverpool based on end of KS2 data results. This outstanding accomplishment is a testament to the hard work of our pupils, staff, families and wider community, and we are incredibly proud of everyone involved.



We have had a very busy term...

Christmas Events

The children have had a wonderful time in the exciting build-up to Christmas! From festive performances to joyful singing and seasonal storytelling, the school has been filled with festivities and creativity. Pupils have enjoyed taking part in special activities, working together to make the holidays magical, and sharing the joy of this special time of year. It has been a delightful way to end the term, and we are so proud of the enthusiasm and festive spirit shown by all our children. We also hope all our parents and carers have enjoyed seeing all of the talent showcased across school.



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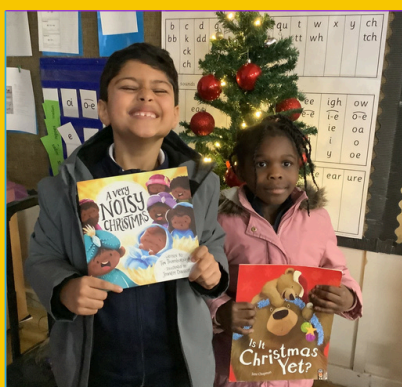
BRIDGE CHAPEL



PUPPET SHOW



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BOOKS OF ADVENT



PANTOMINE

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Family Bingo

Thank you to all our parents and carers who came along to our Family Bingo and helped us raise funds for school.



Planting Bulbs

Our Eco Warriors and Pupil Leadership Team spent an afternoon planting bulbs in Garston Park. This is a great step forward for our sustainability mission.



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Sporting Achievements

This half term our Boys and Girls football teams have been back in action playing in their tournaments and we have also had children competing in the Merseyside Cross Country Games.

Well done to this Year 4 girl, who represented the Liverpool Schools Cross Country team at the Merseyside Championships!

KS1 Nativity

We are so proud of all our KS1 performers for putting on a great show to share an important message this Christmas.



Attendance

We would like to say a huge thank you to all our parents and carers for your support in helping us maintain great attendance at school. It makes such a difference to your child's learning and helps keep them connected with their friends and daily routines. We really appreciate your efforts in making sure they are here and ready to learn!

Our whole school attendance to date is 95%. We are 2% away from reaching our target of 97+%.

If your child is absent due to illness, please telephone the school by 8:45 am to report their absence.

Please can we politely remind families that, due to new government guidelines, we are unable to authorise term-time holidays. Please see the process the school follows in such cases on the next page.

CLASS ATTENDANCE THIS HALF TERM

PRE-NURSERY/NURSERY: 93%

RECEPTION: 97%

YEAR 1: 95%

YEAR 2: 95%

YEAR 3: 94%

YEAR 4: 95%

YEAR 5: 97%

YEAR 6: 92%



YEAR 4



YEAR 5



YEAR 1

Attendance

Attendance Updates

The Government will be implementing changes concerning unauthorised absences from school from 19th August 2024. Please read below to find out what this will mean.

What do the new rules mean?

1

I'm a single parent of one child and we want to go on holiday for a week.

Your holiday will not be authorised.

Because your child will miss 5 days of school you will be given a penalty notice.

£160

The fine is £160

2

FOR EVERY CHILD A PENALTY IS GIVEN



4 children & 1 parent = £640

3

FOR A FAMILY OF 2 PARENTS

4 children & 2 parents =
£1280

4

Irregular Attendance

10 in 10

If your child is absent for 10 or more sessions in 10 weeks and their absences are unauthorised, you can receive a fine of £160

1

Day =

2

Sessions

Every Day Counts!

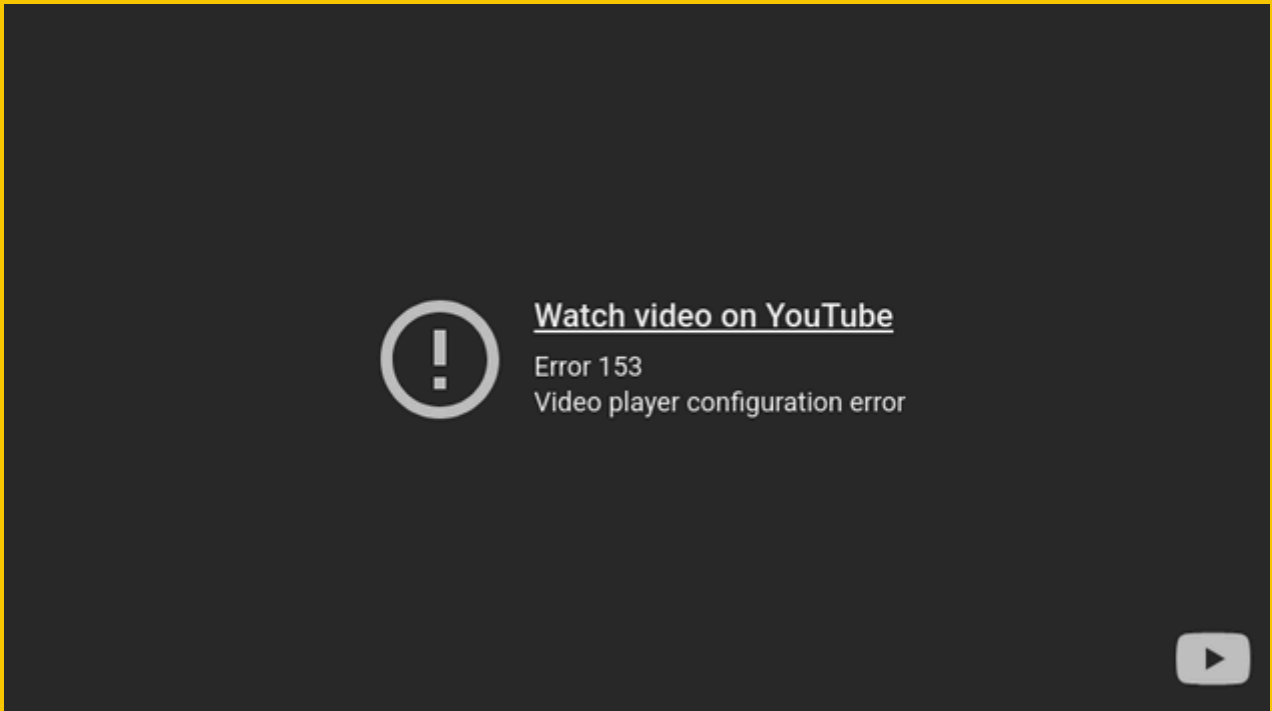


Values

Our Value for the next half term is:

Trust

We will be sharing the Bible story, Peter Walks on Water, which is a great example of the value of Trust in action.



Family Prayer for Trust

Dear God,

Thank You for being faithful and true.

Thank You that we can trust You in every moment—
when we feel unsure, when we feel afraid,
and when we don't understand what is happening.

Help us to remember that Your plans are good,
Your love is steady, and Your presence is always near.

Teach us to be trustworthy people.

Help us to speak honestly, keep our promises,
and be dependable friends who bring peace and kindness.

Fill our hearts with courage, confidence,
and a deeper faith in Your care each day.

Amen.



Wrap Around

Just a reminder that we run a daily breakfast club for all children from 7:45 am each morning. Please note that, due to our insurance policy, children are not allowed to enter the school building before 7:45 am.

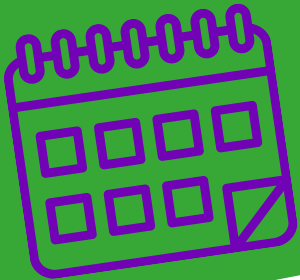
Our after-school wrap-around care operates every night until 5:45 pm. Sessions must be booked beforehand by contacting the school office.

Further information can be found here: [Club Information](#).



Key Dates for Spring Term 1

Spring Term 1	
Monday 5th January	Back to school
Sunday 11th January	10:50am Family Church Service at St Michael's Church- All Families Welcome
Wednesday 14th January	Whole School Staff Training: No Wraparound
Wednesday 21st January	8:45 - 9:30 Come and See - Reception to Y6 11:00 - 11:30 Come and See - Morning Nursery 2:30 - 3:00 Come and See - Afternoon Nursery
Sunday 8th February	10:50am Family Church Service at St Michael's Church- All Families Welcome
Tuesday 10th February	3:00pm - Year 6 Assessment Parent/Carer Meeting for Year 6 parents and their children
Thursday 12th February	2:40- Year 3 Class Assembly
Friday 13th February	Finish for half term



School re-opens on Monday 5th January 2026 at 8:45am for Reception to Year 6 (Breakfast club open from 7:45am)

Pre-Nursery and Nursery will return to school on Tuesday 6th January 2026.

