



St. Agatha's Catholic Primary School



October 2026

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Key Dates for your diary:

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New School Year 2026

Wednesday 14th October: Individual & Sibling Photograph Day

PTC appointments for Y6: 4pm – 7pm

Thursday 15th October:

Nursery Open as normal

School finishes at 12pm for Rec-Y6.

PTC appointments Nursery – Y5: 1pm – 7pm

Y6: 1pm – 4pm

Friday 16th October: Normal school day
Kestrels' Cake Sale

Tuesday 20th October: Reception 2027
Open Day - 9.15am School Hall

Wednesday 21st October: Nasal Flu
Immunisation for Rec -Y6

Thursday 22nd October: Whole School
Mass 9.30am (Harvest Festival)

Parent Teacher Consultations

School closes at 12pm

Reception – Year 6

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*"Learning
together in
God's love"*

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Individual/Sibling Photo Day

On Wednesday 14th October, Fraser Portraits will be visiting us to take individual and sibling photographs. All pupils should come to school looking smart and tidy in their full school uniform. The same applies for those pupils with PE on that day but they should bring a pair of trainers to change into for their PE lesson.

Harvest Festival

Traditionally, at this time of year, we ask families to donate food for distribution amongst those in need within our local community. All donations will be taken to the local foodbank following the Mass of thanksgiving on Thursday 22nd October.

Examples of food donations include: tinned meat & fish, tinned fruit, tea & coffee, pasta sauce, rice pudding and custard, soup, long life milk, fruit juice and squash.

Our Year 6 RE leaders will be at the School Gate every morning and afternoon the week commencing 19th October to accept your donations.

Parent Teacher Consultations

Our wraparound care provider, Roar, will be offering an extended session on Thursday 15th October as the school closes at 12pm for pupils in Reception to Year 6.

Parents can book this via the following link:

[BOOK HERE](#)

School Fund Donation

The school fund is based on voluntary charitable donations from families of children at the school and is used by the school to cover a range of outlays which could include, among other things, new books, improvements to the classrooms, or IT equipment that the basic Government grant would not extend to.

The school fund is £30 per pupil per term and can be paid via your Arbor account in the School Shop section. All contributions, of any amount, are gratefully received.

Secondary School Transfer 2027

Children born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 are due to start Year 7 at secondary school in September 2027. The closing date for applications is **31st October 2026**. If you do not live in the borough, you need to apply through your own council and you can include Kingston schools in your application.

The Admission to Kingston's Secondary Schools guide and the Kingston schools brochure are available on the AfC website: [AfC Info website - Kingston and Richmond :: Community Information / Information and advice / School admissions / Moving up to secondary school in September](#)

Further information is also available on our website: [St Agatha's Catholic Primary School - Secondary School Transfer \(stagathas.school\)](#)

Reception 2027

Further Reception 2027 Open Events will take place in the coming weeks. If you would like to learn more about our school, please refer to our website for further details: [St Agatha's Catholic Primary School - Reception Admissions \(stagathas.school\)](#)

Please do share this information with any family or friends who may have a child starting school next year.

Changes to FSM Entitlement

From the start of the 2026/27 academic year, eligibility for benefits-related Free School Meals (FSM) in England has expanded.

All children living in households receiving Universal Credit are now entitled to a free school meal, regardless of household earnings. This is a significant change from the previous £7,400 annual household earnings threshold. Schools are encouraged to ensure that families are aware of the change and understand how to apply or confirm their eligibility.

For details on how to apply, families should visit:

[FSM Checker](#)

Wellbeing

Hi I'm Izzi! I'm in St Agatha's every Thursday to support children and families with their wellbeing. I do workshops with the children and offer 1:1 sessions with caregivers to support their children with anxiety and common behaviours that challenge. I'm running a coffee morning on Thursday 5th November - come along and chat with other parents and I'll explain a bit more about what I do and hear your thoughts/questions. Hopefully see you there!

- Izzi Brooks, Education Wellbeing Practitioner, Achieving for Children.



Izzi will also be available on Thursday (1-7pm) for the PTCs, for any parent who may wish to have a chat with her. No appointment is needed.

Kingston Through Your Eyes Art and Photography Competition

Congratulations to Rose (Y3), who was selected as a runner up in this art competition. Well done Rose!

Kingston Town FC

Kingston Town FC are launching a new girls' section, and they are looking for founding players.

Training is 9.45am on Saturday mornings at the YMCA Hawker Centre. Further information:

<https://www.kingstontownfc.com/news/-girls-football-is-coming-to-kingston-town-fc-2995960.html>

Cake Sale Information

When bringing in home made cakes for the class cake sales please may we request that you provide an ingredients list. Thank you for your support in providing this information to support the new rules regarding food allergies.

<https://benedictblythe.com/benedicts-law/>

Social Media

We hope you have been enjoying our social media posts. Please follow us for latest news and a snapshot of what is happening in school and more. Thank you for your support in sharing with family and friends.

Visit [Instagram](#) and [Facebook](#)

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a very busy half term in school since the last newsletter.

We welcomed former Olympian Beth Tweddle into school to talk to us about the importance of physical activity as well as a healthy diet. We hope she has inspired many of our pupils to pursue a healthy lifestyle.

Pupil representatives attended the Crown Court Service at All Saints Church where they witnessed judges and magistrates in all their finery. The Year 6 Wellbeing ambassadors also enjoyed their conference at Southborough School. Both events were organised by Mrs Hubbard. Thank you!

Our Year 6 RE Ambassadors also attended two events, one at St George's Cathedral and also the Missio Mass, both accompanied by Miss Ost and our governor volunteers. Thank you for enabling our pupils to have these wonderful opportunities.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our upcoming Parent Teacher Consultation meetings. Please do make sure you have booked to see your child's teacher so we can continue to work in partnership with you to give our children the best education we can.

Mrs Flower
Executive Headteacher



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