



St John Henry Newman Catholic Primary School

School Improvement Summary

2026 – 27

— Inspiring Lives —

Our school priorities



Catholic life and pupil leadership

More opportunities for children to lead prayer, liturgy and service (Mini-Vinnies, Prayer Leaders, worship teams).



Strong learning for every child

Continued focus on early reading (phonics), targeted support where children need it, and excellent teaching across all year groups.



Keeping children safe and ready to learn

Continued attention to attendance (school target 97%+) and the highest standards of safeguarding.

What this means for your child



More chances to lead

Children will plan and lead collective worship and community projects linked to our values.



Targeted support where needed

Small group work and daily practice for pupils who need extra help with reading, writing or maths.



A calm, welcoming school day

Consistent routines, clear expectations and displays that celebrate learning.

How we will measure success



Early Years

Most Reception children will reach expected development for their age.



Phonics

High pass rates in Year 1 phonics checks.



Key Stage 2

Improved combined outcomes at the end of Year 6 and narrowing of gaps for disadvantaged or SEND pupils.



Attendance

All families support the target of 97%+ so children don't miss learning.

How you can help



Read with your child every day

Even 10 minutes counts.



Support attendance

Plan holidays outside term time where possible.



Engage with school

Attend phonics workshops, parent meetings and value-based events.



Talk about our values at home

Encourage children to show them through everyday choices.

Ofsted

Outstanding
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