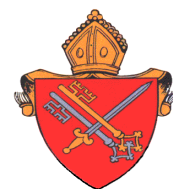




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Worship

Last week we read the story, 'My Lighthouse' and thought of objects that can help us find our way, like a torch or a nightlight. Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life." The children have been talking in class about how the image of Jesus as a lighthouse could help them everyday at home or school; they also considered who acts like a beacon of light to them, helping and guiding them when they find something tricky or uncomfortable.

Our worship
Theme is:
Be a Beacon of
Light



School Books

Please check through your books at home and if you have any books which belong to St Katharine's please return them as soon as possible. You can send back into school with your child or alternatively bring them into the school office.



Arbor Reminders

Please be reminded to update your Arbor account with permitted adults to collect your child and consents for travelling home alone for Year 5 & 6



Reporting Absences

If your child is absent due to illness please ring the school office and leave a voicemail on the absence line at 01202 426663 or email office@skps.email before 8.45am. Please remember to call in or email on each day of their absence.



Hot School Meals

Please remember to order your hot school meal by 12.00pm (midday) the day before the meal



Nut Free School

We would like to remind parents and carers that we are a nut free school. We have a number of children who can have a very serious allergic reaction should they come into contact with nuts.

Free School Meals – is your child eligible?

If you think your child may be eligible for Free School Meals (this is in addition to the universal free school meals that all Key Stage 1 children receive), **please apply online at:** <https://www.bcpCouncil.gov.uk/Schools-and-learning/Free-school-meals/Free-school-meals.aspx> or email or post your completed form (you can obtain a copy of the form via our school website: <https://www.stkatharinesceprimary.co.uk/copy-of-school-meals>) to fsm@bcpCouncil.gov.uk; Free School Meals Team, Customer Services, BCP Council Civic Centre, Bournemouth, BH2 6DY. For more information on Free School Meals, such as eligibility and how the children and school benefit, please visit <https://www.stkatharinesceprimary.co.uk/copy-of-school-meals>. For other information, please contact the BCP at fsm@bcpCouncil.gov.uk or telephone: 01202 123222. If your child is eligible for 'free school meals' (this is in addition to the universal free school meals that all Key Stage 1 children receive) and you register them for this, we will receive extra funding called 'pupil premium'. We use this extra money to improve the educational provision and resources at the school and you would be helping us, if you are eligible and register.

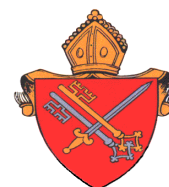




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<u>2025-2026</u>	
<u>Autumn Term</u>	Wednesday 3rd September to Friday 19th December 2025
<u>School Photos</u>	Wednesday 1st October 2025
<u>Inset Day</u>	Friday 24th October 2025
<u>Autumn Half Term</u>	Monday 27th October - Friday 31st October 2025
<u>FSK Fireworks</u>	Thursday 13th November 2025
<u>End of Term</u>	Friday 19th December 2025 at 1.30pm
<u>Spring Term</u>	Monday 5th January to Friday 27th March 2026
<u>Spring Half Term</u>	Monday 16th February - Friday 20th February 2026
<u>End of Term</u>	Friday 27th March 2026 at 1.30pm
<u>Summer Term</u>	Monday 13th April to Wednesday 22nd July 2026
<u>Summer Half Term</u>	Monday 25th May - Friday 29th May 2026
<u>End of Term</u>	Friday 17th July 2026 at 1.00pm
<u>Inset Days</u>	Monday 20th, Tuesday 21st and Wednesday 22nd July 2026