

St. Joseph's Weekly News

Friday 12th September 2025



Our School Values Respect - Self-belief - Faith - Friendship - Resilience - Self-control - Perseverance - Aspiration

O God, you are the source of life and peace.
We know it is you who turns our minds to thoughts of peace.
Hear our prayer for peace.
Your power changes hearts.
May enemies begin to speak to one another,
those who are estranged join hands of friendship;
and nations seek the way of peace together.
Amen

Dear Parents,

Our second week in and it seems Summer was forever a time ago and we are now into the full swing of September and enjoying the last of the summer sunshine. This week has been our first full one and we are fully settled. Learning is in action, classrooms are looking engaging and everyone is getting busy. School life as we know and love it!

Have a lovely weekend Mrs Moseley

Attendance & Lates

There will be a greater focus on attendance and lates this year. We always pride ourselves in outstanding attendance but since Covid we are seeing many families taking holidays out of term time, long weekends and prolonged sickness. This effects children's progress and can cause increased anxiety as they are missing out. While I understand at times there are extenuating circumstances, I know that you want the very best for your children and will continue to support excellent attendance and punctuality. Gates will close promptly at 8.50am, children are late at that time. It causes great frustrations for parents signing children in so I know this will also be of paramount importance to you.

Beginning of year mass

We know that we have properly started our new school year when we have had the first Mass of the term. Our Mass yesterday, with the theme of the new school year, was led by our new Year 6 class who read, led the offertory and served. The singing was beautiful - a really uplifting start to the new school year. Thank you to the parents and governors who joined us - it was lovely to see so many. Hopefully the pattern for the future, as parents are always welcome to join us at our whole school Masses

Meet the teacher

On Monday 15th September we have our KS1 meet the teacher session at 3pm and on Tuesday 16th September we have our KS2 meet the teachers. We hope that all parents are able to attend these session as they are great opportunity to meet the class teacher and learn about your child's curriculum for this year.

Parent Reading

We are seeking enthusiastic parent volunteers to join our reading programme and share the joy of literature with our pupils. As a parent reader, you will have the opportunity to engage with students, fostering their love for reading and improving their literacy skills. We welcome you to participate at a time that suits your schedule. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information, please do not hesitate to speak to Miss Entwisle or visit the school office. Your involvement can make a significant difference in our children's educational journey. Thank you for your support!

Parking

Parents/visitors to our school are kindly reminded:

- Be considerate of road markings and neighbours when parking near our school.
- do not park or stop on yellow lines or zigzags.
- do not ignore road markings.
- do not park over driveways.
- do not cause increased danger for road users.
- do not be abusive or rude to the local residents or other members of the community.

Scooters

Please be reminded that scooters and bikes are not to be ridden on school premises. Please disembark at the school gate e gate and walk/wheel the scooter/bike from the school gate and leave them in the designated bike/scooter area next to the library.

As always, we thank you for your continued support.

ATTENDANCE
AWARD
Year 2 98.1%

HOUSE POINTS
Mark

STARS OF THE WEEK

Nursery
Whole Class

Reception
Sophia & Alexander

Year 1
Alice & Kalani

Year 2
Isaac & Chinedum

Year 3
Ava & Holy-Joy

Year 4
Oscar W & Desire

Year 5
Harry & Precious

Year 6
Emanuel & Elnathan

WRITER OF THE WEEK

Year 1
Zakarias

Year 2
Myles

Year 3
Aren

Year 4
Shin

Year 5
Olivia S

Year 6
Joyce

At St. Joseph's we live, love and learn by the example of Jesus.
Aspiring for excellence for all, together as a catholic community.

Autumn Term 1

Week	Date-Week beginning	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	1 st September 2025			INSET	SCHOOL OPENS	
2	8 th September 2025				Beginning of term mass	
3	15 th September 2025	Meet the teacher KS1 3pm	Meet the teacher KS2 3pm			PTA EVENT Non-Uniform Day £1.00 per child
4	22 nd September 2025					YEAR 6 PRAYER SERVICE
5	29 th September 2025					St Francis of Assisi Feast Day Celebrations
6	6 th October 2025 BLACK HISTORY WEEK					BUDDY ASSEMBLY 1
7	13 th October 2025 ART WEEK					BUDDY ASSEMBLY 2
8	20 th October 2025		Nursery & Reception (Sept 2026) Open Afternoon 2pm			Spanish Day
Half term –Monday 27 th October –Friday 31 st October 2025						

REMINDERS!

1. Please remember those healthy items for packed lunches.
2. Please remember your child should be wearing their house badge every day to school. Additional badges can be purchased from the school office for 30p
3. Children are NOT to ride Bikes and Scooters whilst on school premises. This is still happening and can cause accidents so parents please be mindful – if this continues then bikes and scooters will be banned!
4. Children are NOT to play on the Adventure Trail or in the access road outside the Royal Avenue gate, as this vehicular gate is in constant use.
5. Please be considerate to our neighbours when parking near the school site.

St Joseph's is a 'NUT-FREE' Zone!

A Healthy Packed Lunch

Suggestions for food to include in a healthy packed lunch

- **At least** one portion of fruit or vegetable every day.
- Meat, fish or other source of non-diary protein (e.g. lentils, beans, soya or hummus), every day
- Oily fish such as pilchards, salmon or tuna
- A starchy food such as bread, pasta, rice noodles, potatoes or other type of cereal every day.
- Dairy food such as milk, cheese, yoghurt, fromage frais or custard.
- Cereal bars rather than cakes or biscuits
- Seeds, crackers and cheese, vegetables or bread sticks with a dip

Drinks

- No drinks are to be brought into school – water is provided.
- Water bottles are to be brought on school trips – NO other drink.

FUN FRIDAY

Suggestions for food to include ON A FUN FRIDAY in a healthy packed lunch.

- Snacks such as crisps
- Chocolate coated biscuits or wafers **or**
- Small cake e.g. fairy cakes, cake bars, muffins **or**
- Small pudding pot e.g. chocolate mousse)

Foods that should not be brought into school (These are foods that we have already asked not to be brought into school)

- Confectionery such as chocolate bars.
- Sweets
- Nuts or nut products (although they can be healthy there is a very serious risk to other children with allergies).
- Fizzy drinks or any soft drinks.

NUT FREE SCHOOL



THANK YOU