



ST. JOSEPH'S WEEKLY NEWS.

FRIDAY 27th JUNE 2025

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

SCHOOL PLEDGE

Here at St. Joseph's school,
WE ARE PILGRIMS OF HOPE.
We pledge to bring light where darkness may be,
Sharing love and kindness for all to see.
Following in Jesus' footsteps every day,
Spreading His hope in all we do and say.

*Thank you for your continued support.
Have a lovely Weekend, Mrs Moseley*

Reception Class Trip – Southen on Sea

Oh I do like to be beside the seaside.....

On Tuesday, Reception went on their class trip to Southend Sea life. We were able to see lots of different fish and animals. We had great difficulty finding Nemo as there were so many!! We learnt many great facts like 'the male seahorses have babies and starfish do not have a brain'.

We enjoyed eating our lunch amongst the Monkeys and Meerkats. Luckily no food was taken from us.

After lunch, we went to find seashells on the seashore. We had the best time throwing rocks back into the sea and seeing who had the best throw.

Just before heading home, we treated ourselves to a delicious ice-cream.

An amazing day was had by all.



Festival of Hope

On Tuesday 24th June, Chaplaincy Team went to Westminster Cathedral to celebrate the Jubilee Year of Hope Pledge Day; a pledge to promise to help build a better world.

As part of the celebration, we made our school pledge:

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We had a fantastic day; the festival included some great drama pieces and hymns reminding ourselves that with God's love and strength we can achieve anything.

GAA – Taster Sessions

On Wednesday 25th June, the Hertfordshire GAA, in collaboration with St Joseph's GAA Team, delivered fantastic Gaelic Football taster sessions for Years 3 to 5. The children showed excellent listening skills, enthusiasm, and brilliant sportsmanship as they tried out this exciting new sport. There's no doubt, we've spotted some potential Gaelic football stars in the making!

For those who particularly enjoyed the sessions, St Joseph's GAA Team warmly welcomes new members. If your child is interested in joining or finding out more, please visit the St. Joseph's GAA website, <https://www.stjosephshertsgaa.com/contacts.php> or get in touch with Noel Griffin at ann.griffin@ntlworld.com

ATTENDANCE
AWARD
Year 2 100%

HOUSE POINTS
John & Mark

STARS OF THE WEEK

Nursery
Whole Class

Reception
Vienna & Emmanuel

Year 1
Martin & Alina

Year 2
Erin & Maksim

Year 3
Oscar H & Orlando

Year 4
Alya & Devid

Year 5
Christy & Fareedah

Year 6
Aisosa & Mode

WRITER OF THE WEEK

Year 1
Oseyemere

Year 2
Michalina

Year 3
Gabi

Year 4
Maxwell

Year 5
Ladiela

Year 6
Christian

Oracy Day

On Friday, 27th June, we celebrated Oracy/No Pen Morning as part of our Trust-wide focus on Oracy. Oracy is developing speaking and listening skills, a vital part of learning, and our pupils rose to the challenge brilliantly.

This year, No Pen Morning was linked to our Aspirations Day celebrations. Throughout the morning, children took part in a range of engaging, talk-based activities, including hot seating, circle story time, where they shared stories about their dream jobs, creatively developing scenarios in group storytelling activities, and some amazing class debates. All the children showcased excellent Oracy skills, confidently building, instigating, and challenging ideas through conversation.

It was a fantastic opportunity our children to express themselves, collaborate with their peers, and imagine exciting futures...all without picking up a pen!

Aspiration Week and Dress Up Day

What an amazing day we had with our Dress Up Day! Our children really shone as they dressed up to showcase their aspirations for the future. It was heartwarming to see their enthusiasm and creativity as they transformed into what they want to be when they grow up.

We organised a fantastic Job Takeover Day, where local professionals and parents from various fields came in to share their experiences. Firefighters, solicitors, and even our local MP took the time to engage with our children, discussing the importance of their jobs in the community. The children were buzzing with excitement, asking questions and getting involved in hands-on activities.

It was truly a remarkable day for all our pupils, fostering their dreams and helping them realise the incredible opportunities that lie ahead. We hope this event inspires them to chase their aspirations with confidence!

Year 1 & 2 Mass

Today Year 1 and Year 2 went to mass. Father John spoke about the story of the lost sheep and how we can be like the lost sheep and return to God for guidance. The children sat beautifully, listened attentively while displaying impeccable behaviour. Well done KS1, what great representatives of the school you are!

Summer Fete

A HUGE **THANK YOU** to our PTA Team for all there hard work in organising the PTA Summer Fete today.

This amazing event will bring our school community together in such a wonderful way!

Your dedication and effort will make a significant difference to our school, as a school community we truly appreciate everything you have done to ensure today was a success.

We are sure it will be a fantastic afternoon/evening filled with lots of fun and joy for everyone involved!

Thank you once again for your amazing contributions!

SUMMER TERM 2

Week	Date-Week beginning	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2 nd June 2025	Forest School Week		Rec New Parent Meeting	PTA Event	Year 1 Class Assembly PTA Event
2	9 th June 2025	Fitness Term Sports Day		Maths Day	11am Year 3 Class Mass & Holy Communion Celebration	Year 2 Class Assembly Year 4 Sleep Over
3	16 th June 2025	Year 6 Residential Week Healthy Eating Week		Reception Class Assembly Nur New Parent Meeting	Windrush Celebrations	INSET Day School Closed
4	23 rd June 2025	Aspirations Week			Aspirations Dress Up Day Nursery Class Assembly	ORACY DAY PTA Non Uniform Day And Summer Fete 3-6pm
5	30 th June 2025	District Sports 2.00 – 5.00pm				CHEXS Charity Year 3 Class Assembly
6	7 th July 2025	DT Week	School Open Evening And Showcase Curriculum Sharing Celebration 6pm		Transition Day /Moving Up Day	School Coffee Morning
7	14 th July 2025		Year 6 Dress Rehearsal To School 10am Year 6 Production 6pm	Reports Out Books Home	Talent Show 10am - Parents Welcome Whole School Picnic Lea Valley 12-3pm	Year 6 Leavers Mass 11am Church School Finishes 1.30pm

REMINDERS!

Healthy items for packed lunches.

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

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!

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.

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