



St. Joseph's Weekly News

Friday 6th February 2026

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

Prayer

Lord God,

Send us out as witnesses of your love.

Help us to recognise Christ in every person and to work for justice, peace, and unity in our world.

May our school be a place where everyone is valued and loved.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen

ATTENDANCE
AWARD
Year 3 98.5%

HOUSE POINTS
John

Racial Justice Sunday

The Bishops have declared that the theme for Racial Justice Sunday 2026 is – **“Whoever loves God must also love his brother and sister”**

The words ‘brother and sister’ do not refer to our siblings but to the Catholic belief that we are all children of God so everyone is part of God’s family. In this scripture John speaks very clearly. Loving God and loving others cannot be separated. If we truly love God, that love must be visible in how we treat each other – especially those who may be different from us in culture, language, appearance, or background as everyone is a child of God. Prejudice and racism have no place in the life of a Christian or in a Catholic school. Racial justice calls us to recognise the dignity of every person and to challenge attitudes or behaviours that harm others. Our Church and schools are beautifully diverse. People from every nation, culture, and background belong to the one family of God.

Olympic Sports Day

The children had an amazing time completing their circuit with Saffron Severn, an athlete for Team GB. There are still 3 days left to collect any sponsorship money for the visit from Saffron Severn. Remember that the money raised will go towards new sports equipment to improve levels of physical activity in our school! If you haven’t sponsored your child yet, now is a great time to reward them for their hard work. You can sponsor them online too.

Thank you for the sponsorships so far!

Year 6 Class Assembly

Today's Year 6 assembly reflected the work they have been doing on persuasive writing, for which they have been using 'Talking History' as an inspiration. This morning, they took us through 150 years of history by sharing speeches from speakers such as Abraham Lincoln, Funmilayo Ransome-Kuti and Greta Thunberg. The children explained what they had found impactful about the speeches and the persuasive devices they had come across. We even enjoyed a special episode of Room 101 where they showed how they could use persuasive writing to ban their pet peeves! Well done to all of Year 6 who have worked extremely hard this week to prepare and present a fantastic assembly.

Nursery Spaces – September 2026.

STARS OF THE WEEK

Nursery
Patsy & Tommy

Reception
Ava & Ishmael

Year 1
Kate & Rosie-Mar

Year 2
The Whole Class

Year 3
Aria & Sofia

Year 4
Oscar H & Gabriella

Year 5
Michelle & Samuele

Year 6
Isabelle & Jenessa

**St. Joseph's
Nursery School**

Do you have a child born between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023?
Are you looking for a Nursery School for your child?

**Why not give your child the best start in Nursery Education at
St. Joseph's Nursery School in Waltham Cross.**

We still have some Nursery spaces available for September 2026.

As a 30 hour provider, we also offer wrap around care from 7.45am until 5.30pm.

We welcome applications from children of all faiths to our Nursery.

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

Nursery
Sofia

Reception
Sophia

Year 1
Tatiana

Year 2
Zeynep

Year 3
Rory

Year 4
Shin

Year 5
Polina

Year 6
Bettina

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

PTA Valentines Disco.



Reminders:

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 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.

- Please remember those healthy items for packed lunches.
- 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.
- **St Joseph's is a 'NUT-FREE' Zone!**

Spring Term 1

Week	Date-Week beginning	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	5 th January 2026	INSET DAY	SCHOOL OPENS EPIPHANY MASS 2PM		YEAR 4 PRAYER SERVICE	
2	12 th January 2026					
3	19 th January 2026					PTA NON-UNIFORM DAY
4	26 th January 2026 ART WEEK				YEAR 3 PRAYER SERVICE	
5	2 nd February 2026					YEAR 6 ASSEMBLY
6	9 th February 2026		SAFER INTERNET DAY	PTA NON-UNIFORM DAY AND VALENTINES DISCO		
Half term -16 th February -20 th February 2026						

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-dairy 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