St. Joseph's Weekly News

Friday 6th November 2026

ATTENDANCE AWARD
Nursery 100%

HOUSE POINTS
Matthew

STARS OF THE WEEK
Nursery
Noah & Leon
Reception
Raihaan & Tommy

Year 1
Asheeba & Emmanuel

Year 2
Princess Faith & Michael

Year 3
Mattyas & Tymon

Year 4
Osariemen & Filippo

Year 5
Oscar H & Katia

Year 6
Abbia & Alya

LEARNER OF THE WEEK

Nursery
Obrempong

Reception
Maya

Year 1
Loic

Year 2
Kalani

Year 3
Elsa

Year 4
Holy-Joy

Year 5
Phoebe

Year 6
Niya

A Remembrance Prayer for November

Loving Father,
During this month of November, we remember all those who have died and those who have given their lives in the service of others. We pray for peace throughout our world and for all families who carry sadness and loss in their hearts.
Help us to be thankful for the courage, kindness and sacrifices of others. May we always remember to show love, respect and compassion, living as Jesus taught us and bringing hope to those around us.
May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.





Guy Fawkes:

Our children enjoyed a wonderful Forest School experience as they learnt about Guy Fawkes and the history of Bonfire Night. They created their own marshmallow sparklers before heading outdoors to enjoy the warmth of a real fire. It was a fantastic opportunity to develop their understanding of this British tradition while building confidence, learning new skills and making special memories together. 🔥 marshmallow sparklers and time around the fire made for a lovely outdoor learning experience!

Parent Consultations

Thank you to all our parents and carers who attended our parent consultations. We had a really successful afternoon and evening, providing a valuable opportunity to celebrate the children's progress, share their achievements and discuss their next steps in learning. We greatly value the strong partnership between home and school and appreciate your continued support in helping our children flourish. Together, we can ensure every child continues to grow, achieve and reach their full potential.

Diwali Assembly

Our children enjoyed a special assembly celebrating Diwali, the Hindu festival of lights. They learnt about the traditions and significance of this important celebration, exploring the themes of light overcoming darkness, good overcoming evil, and hope for the future. It was a wonderful opportunity to develop the children's understanding of different cultures and faiths, celebrating diversity and promoting respect for the beliefs and traditions of others within our school community.

Follow Us on Instagram!

Stay connected with life at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School by following our Instagram page! 📸

Our Instagram page is a wonderful way to keep up to date with the latest news, events and celebrations happening across our school. From exciting learning experiences and special achievements to our Catholic faith celebrations, school trips, community events and everyday moments that make St Joseph's so special, we love sharing our school journey with you. Follow us to celebrate our children's successes, discover the wonderful opportunities they enjoy and see how we live out our Catholic values and school ethos each day.

We are proud of our vibrant, caring and inclusive school community, and Instagram helps us share the many ways our children learn, grow and flourish together.

Follow us on Instagram and be part of our St Joseph's journey!

https://www.instagram.com/stjosephswalthamcross/&

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 an 'Allergy Aware School'

AUTUMN TERM 2

Week	Date-	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	2nd November			CHAPLAINCY SELL POPPIES	GUY FWAKES BONFIRE PARENT CONSULTATIONS	DIWALI ASSEMBLY
2	9th November 2026			REMEMBRANCE SERVICE		GOVERNOR MORNING
3	16th November 2026	ANTI - BULLYING WEEK			YEAR 5 PRAYER SERVICE 2:45PM	ONESIE UPON A TIME DAY
4	23rd November 2026	DT WEEK				
5	30th November 2026		ADVENT ASSEMBLY			YEAR 5 ASSEMBLY 9.10AM
6	7th December 2026			CHRISTMAS DINNER		
7	14th December 2026			YEAR 1&2 NATIVITY 2:30PM PARENTS	RECEPTION AND NURSERY SING ALONG (9:15AM) TALENT SHOW 10AM CLASS PARTIES PM	CAROL SERVICE 11AM SCHOOL CLOSES 1:30PM
Christmas Holiday's - Monday 21st December 2026 until Friday 1st January 2027– School returns Monday 4th January						

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

- Water bottles are to be brought into school – water is provided if children run out and need a top up.

- 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.

