



# St. Joseph's Weekly News

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2026

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

### Prayer

Dear God,

Thank you that you value all children.

Thank you that you do not judge anyone by their appearance,

But rather you look to see what they are like on the inside.

Please help us to do the same. Please help us to do good things as we move through our lives.

Please help us as we prepare for our future. Amen.

ATTENDANCE  
AWARD  
Year 6 99.1%

HOUSE POINTS  
John

### Great Athletics Assembly

On Wednesday we held our introductory assembly, we are taking part in the 'Great Athletics' programme! We're very excited to be welcoming Commonwealth rhythmic gymnast Saffron Severn to the school on 4th February 2026. Saffron Severn will be leading a sponsored fitness circuit with all pupils, followed by a motivational assembly, and Q&A session. The aim of the event is to inspire the pupils to be more physically active, but just as importantly, encourage them to discover and pursue their passion in life. The event will both connect the pupils to an extraordinary athlete role model and raise money for new sports equipment in the school, as well as supporting both athletes and para-athletes, so that they can continue to inspire the next generation.

### PTA – Non uniform day

Today the PTA held their first fundraising event for 2026, the children came into school wearing their 'winter' themed clothing. This is a great event for the school, and we very much appreciate your continued support. Many thanks as always to our **AMAZING** PTA who dedicate their time to support our school, children and families.

### STARS OF THE WEEK

Nursery  
Christian & Albert

Reception  
Ryan & Lara

Year 1  
Maryam & Vienna

Year 2  
Asaiah & Elizabeth

Year 3  
Atalia & Huda

Year 4  
Phoebe & Jasmine

Year 5  
Faith & Callum

Year 6  
Acacia & Ladiela

**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  
Jasper

Year 1  
Naomi

Year 2  
Tabi-Mercy

Year 3  
Kelechi

Year 4  
Desire

Year 5  
Abbia

Year 6  
Joyce

**Severe and Extreme weather warnings:** In light of the recent severe weather warning regarding snow, ice and storms, we would like to inform parents and guardians of our approach to school closures. Our primary aim is to ensure the safety of all students and staff while maintaining educational continuity. We will only close the school if absolutely necessary, as we endeavour to keep the school open whenever possible. Should the situation change and a closure be deemed necessary, we will communicate this promptly through Arbor and our school website banner. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation during these challenging weather conditions. Please remain vigilant to emails and the school banner should we need to change or adapt timings for opening or closure.

We thank you all for your continued support.

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

**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 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	INSET DAY	SCHOOL OPENS EPIPHANY MASS 2PM		YEAR 4 PRAYER SERVICE	
2	12 <sup>th</sup> January 2026					
3	19 <sup>th</sup> January 2026					PTA NON- UNIFORM DAY
4	26 <sup>th</sup> January 2026 ART WEEK				YEAR 3 PRAYER SERVICE	
5	2 <sup>nd</sup> February 2026					YEAR 6 ASSEMBLY
6	9 <sup>th</sup> February 2026		SAFER INTERNET DAY	PTA NON-UNIFORM DAY AND VALENTINES DISCO		
Half term -16 <sup>th</sup> February -20 <sup>th</sup> 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