



# St. Joseph's Weekly News

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April 2026

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



## Year of St Francis

As you are aware we are a part of St Francis of Assisi Catholic Trust. This year is a special for us as Trust.

The Year of St Francis, proclaimed under the inspiration of Pope Leo XIII, invites us to rediscover the spirit of St Francis of Assisi—a life marked by simplicity, humility, and deep care for all creation. During this special year, we are encouraged to reflect on how Francis' example speaks to our modern world: calling us to peace, compassion for the poor, and responsible stewardship of the environment.

As a parish and school community, this is an opportunity to renew our commitment to living the Gospel with joy and authenticity. Through prayer, acts of charity, and care for one another, may we follow in the footsteps of St Francis, becoming instruments of God's peace in our homes, our community, and beyond. So please look out for events that we will be holding here at school to celebrate this special year!

## Rosary

As we approach the month of May, as a Catholic community we dedicate this month to Mary our Mother. As a school we will be holding a whole school assembly with Father John on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May. Furthermore, we will be holding our annual **May Procession on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 9.30am** in the prayer garden. We would love for as many parents to attend this as possible. We also ask for some flowers to crown Mary during the procession.

## Attendance

With a new term comes a new focus. Please can I remind you that attendance effects opportunities for children. While of course children if they are sick or unwell do need to be at home to recover but weekends or holidays are for term time only.

## School Collection:

School finishes at 3:15pm for KS1 and 3:20pm for KS2. Please reminded to be prompt when collecting your child at the end of the school day. If you are running late for collection, please ring the school office and let us know. If your child is persistently collected late from school and is not collected by 3.30pm a late charge will be applied. Thank you for your continued support.

## Summer uniform

It is always lovely to see our children return after the Easter holidays in their Summer Uniform. Thank you for supporting us with this, hopefully the weather will continue to improve, and we get some lovely sunshine coming our way! Please be reminded, no grey tights with a yellow gingham dress. school clips/bows/bands must only be yellow, white, black or burgundy, not other colours.

## Clubs

Sports clubs commenced this week, and all teacher led clubs will commence next week. Details of this term's clubs have been communicated, and all have been sent out. Please be reminded that clubs are run by class teachers and they give their time up to run these clubs, please be prompt with collection. If you are late for collection, please ring and let us know. ***If you continue to be late for club collection we will remove your child from the club.***

ATTENDANCE  
AWARD  
Year 6 100%

HOUSE POINTS  
John

## STARS OF THE WEEK

Nursery  
Kavian & Barbara

Reception  
Ishmael & Robert

Year 1  
Rosie-Mae & Princess  
Faith

Year 2  
Martin & Oseyemere

Year 3  
Myla & Rory

Year 4  
Leo & Kore

Year 5  
Yusuf & Paola

Year 6  
Precious & Christy

## LEARNER OF THE WEEK

Nursery  
Albert

Reception  
Sophia

Year 1  
Sienna

Year 2  
Yasli

Year 3  
Sofia

Year 4  
Beatrice

Year 5  
George S

Year 6  
Francesca

## 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 'Allergy Aware School'**

## SUMMER TERM 1

Week	Date-	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	13 <sup>th</sup> April				BEGINNING OF TERM MASS 9.10AM  SATS/RESIDENTIAL MEETING 6PM	
2	20 <sup>th</sup> April					
3	27 <sup>th</sup> April	ART WEEK	ART WEEK KS2 VR PRIME WORKSHOP	ART WEEK	ART WEEK	ART WEEK  YEAR 3 ASSEMBLY
4	4 <sup>th</sup> May	BANK HOLIDAY  NO SCHOOL	ROSARY ASSEMBLY 9:10AM		YEAR 4 CLASS TRIP  MAY PROCESSION 9:10am	PTA – NON UNIFORM DAY
5	11 <sup>th</sup> May	SATS	SATS	SATS	SATS  ASCENSION MASS 11AM	RECEPTION ASSEMBLY
6	18 <sup>th</sup> May	INTERNATIONAL WEEK  CLASS GROUP PHOTOS	INTERNATIONAL WEEK	INTERNATIONAL WEEK	INTERNATIONAL WEEK  FOOD MARKET	INTERNATIONAL WEEK
<b>Half term -25<sup>th</sup> May-29<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>						



# 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.

## 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.

