

Newsletter 11

21st November 2025

What a fantastic and busy week we have had here at St Joseph's. We started off with a Viking visiting Yr4, Yr1 visited Valence House, Yorkshire Building Society came to do some money workshops and we finished the week with our Jubilee Finale!

Word of God

Luke 23: 35-43

At that time: The rulers scoffed at Jesus, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.' One of the criminals who were hanged there railed at Jesus, saying, 'Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.' And he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' And he said to him, 'Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise.'

St Joseph – Pray for us.

Happy Birthday!

This week we have the following pupils celebrating their birthday: Jessica, Lucinda, Gursahay, Ini-idara & Michelle.

Christmas Bazaar

Our Christmas Bazaar is on Friday 5th December 3.30-5.30pm. A separate letter went out this week letting you know what is going on and how you can support us.

House Points

1st – St Ursula's 2nd – St Angela's 3rd - St Joseph's
4th – St Mary's

Attendance

EYFS & KS1 – Ruby 98%
KS2 – Amethyst & Lavender 100%

Punctuality

EYFS & KS1 – Ruby 98%
KS2 – Sapphire & Amethyst 100%



Next Friday we have our Decorations Day – a chance for pupils to decorate their classrooms ready for the festive season. This year pupils can come to school in Christmas-themed clothes, in exchange for making a donation of preloved toys or teddies to our Christmas Bazaar.

As a bonus, pupils will also receive 5 house points for each item donated.

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Calendar Dates

24th – 28th November – Parliament Week

24th November – Tour for prospective parents
10am

25th November – Year 5 trip to Science
Museum

26th November – Yr 5/6 Girls Football
Festival (invite only)

27th November – Year 2 Mary Seacole
Workshop

28th November – Decorations Day

30th November – 1st Sunday Advent

1st December – Pantomime visit

3rd December – Yr 5/6 Aim Higher Writing
Workshop (invite only)

Trips and Visits

This week Year 4 were visited by a Viking, who taught them about his way of life, how to write using runes and how to succeed in battle. Our Year 1 also visited Valence House this week to find out more about life in the local area.

Thank you to staff for organising these enriching opportunities for pupils and all the helpers that went with them.

Jubilee Finale

Today saw the finale of our year as 'Pilgrims of Hope'. As a school community we have taken part in lots of different activities, and today was no exception. Houses competed against each other to earn vital points – ask your child who the winning house was.

Important Dates

Please make a note of the following dates, as we don't want you to miss out!

5th December – Christmas Bazaar 3.30pm

11th December – Christmas Jumper & Dinner
Day

15th December – EYFS & KS1 Christmas
Production – 10am & 2pm

17th December – KS2 Carol Concert – 2pm

19th December – School finishes at 1.15pm

**Each one of us has been
created by God for a special
purpose and is therefore
uniquely special.**

**Together, we pray, grow and
learn in the footsteps of
Jesus.**

Star of the Week

Scarlet – Ebube
Ruby – Somto & Carmelle
Sunflower – Whole Class
Amber – Sarah
Sage – Whole Class
Emerald – Isaac
Cobalt – Eliza
Sapphire – Whole Class
Lavender – Olivia
Amethyst – Whole Class
Magenta – Elsie
Fuchsia – Victoria

As the weather takes a turn and the cold sets in, please can I take this opportunity to ask you to make sure that your child is wearing a coat before they leave the house. Many pupils were without coats this week. Thank you.

Mrs Hinton - Headteacher