



St. Joseph's Newsletter

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.



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Diary Dates

Date	Event
17/3/25	Diversity Day - cultural dress
18/3/25	Year 1 Service - 1.15pm Holy Family Church
19/3/25	St Joseph's Mass - 9.30am
19/3/25	St Joseph's Day Discos - in school time
24/3/25 - 4/4/25	Big Walk & Wheel
28/3/25	Year 2 trip to Eastbrookend
2/4/25	Reception Service - 1.15pm Holy Family Church

HOUSE POINTS

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

AWARDS

Well done to Miss David, Ms Vasques, Ms Nelson-Cole and Mrs Riley who have all completed their Designated Safeguarding Lead training.

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voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!" And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.



Attendance

Our winning classes this week

EYFS & KS1	Amber - 97%
KS2	Cobalt & Magenta - 99%

Punctuality

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KS2	Sage, Cobalt & Fuchsia - 100%

British Science Week

What a fantastic week we have had this week. We started off with a visit from the Nite Owls team, with owls flying around the hall and some very brave pupils allowing them to land on their arms. We then had lots of amazing science experiments going on around the school, and I am told that we even had explosions in Year 2! We then finished off the week with some very cosy pyjamas for World Sleep Day and quiet a few pupils looking like they were ready for bed by playtime. We finished the day with a bedtime story, juice and a biscuit before heading home. A big thank you to Mrs Riley, our Science Lead, for organising such a great week.

Nite Owls Photographs

As part of the visit pupils had the option of having the photograph taken with one of the owls. Those that chose to do it will have received a proof to look at. If you wish to purchase the photograph then please complete the information and return the proof and the money in the envelope provided by **Friday 21st March 2025**.

Book Donations

Thank you to all those pupils who have already brought in their book donations. We are getting stickers put inside the front cover to say who donated them and they will be in the School Library shortly. It is not too late to donate if you have any books at home that you no longer read and who like tohers to continue to enjoy them.

Book Fair

Thank you to all those who purchased books from our school book fair. Thanks to your generosity we have raised £233.15 to purchase new books for pupils.

Mythical Madness - Drawing Competition

Pupils have received information about an art competition for Years 1-6 where the children need to draw a Mythical Madness creature. If your child wishes to take part then entries must be in no later than **Thursday 3rd April 2025**.

Nursery Applications

The deadline for nursery application for pupils who wish to join our school nursery in September 2025 is this **Friday 21st March 2025**. If you wish for your child to be considered for a place then please come into the School Office and collect an application form.



Scarlet	Charlotte	Ruby	Nathaniel
Sunflower	Ryan	Amber	Jordan
Pumpkin	Darren		
Sage	Valentine	Emerald	Martin
Cobalt	Zakiyah	Sapphire	Juwon
Lavender	Esme	Amethyst	Gabriel
Fuchsia	Ayden	Magenta	Joy

Reading Champions

Pupils who read can earn themselves rewards, which we mark off at 10 books (bronze), 25 books (silver) and 50 books (gold). This is something that we are re-establishing again, so it may take a little time to get our records up-to-date. So congratulations this week to Anaya, Ali, Eliyah, Esmond, Izabella, Michael, Leo, Osinachi, Adam, Martin, Emma, Chukwuemeka, Veronica and Rhian for Bronze; and Chidimma, Mary, Chisom and Ella for Silver.

Diversity Day

Just a reminder that our Diversity Day will take place on Monday 17th March 2025 and pupils should wear cultural dress or the colours of their flag.

St Joseph's Day

To celebrate our feast day we will be having a whole school mass at 9.30am on Wednesday 19th March in the Holy Family Church. It would be great to see as many of you there as possible. We have also organised a disco for pupils in the afternoon. There is no cost for this and all pupils will be provided with a drink and snack.

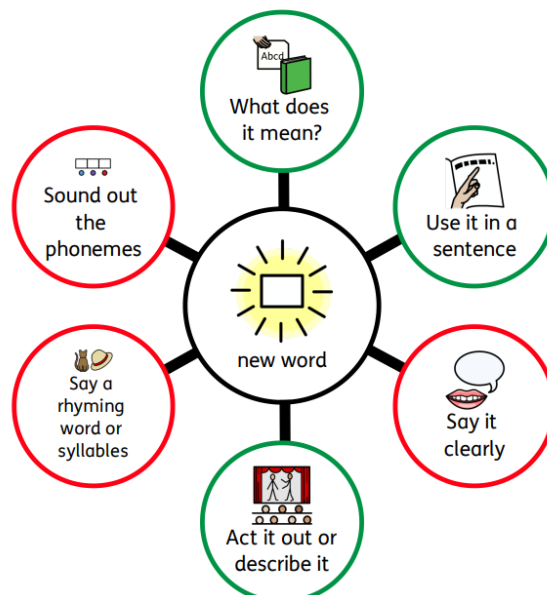
Save the date!

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School is turning 90 on Tuesday 29th April 2025. We will be hosting a day of celebration for pupils, staff and families past and present, so please make a note in your diary.

Word of the Week

Here are your words for this week. Remember every time a pupil uses their 'word of the week' either verbally when answering a question or written down in their book, they will earn themselves 5 house points (Yr1-6) or a sticker (EYFS) - and there is no limit to how many they can earn each week. Below you will find a suggestion for how you can explore the new word with your child and support them in using it. Please see the new words for this week:

<u>EYFS</u> - frown	<u>Yr1</u> - disgusting	<u>Yr2</u> - muscles	<u>Yr3</u> - merge
<u>Yr4</u> - analyse	<u>Yr5</u> - agonised	<u>Yr6</u> - courteous	



MISSION FILE

GOSPEL

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WORD OF THE WEEK

FASTING

PRAYER

Picture in your mind Jesus shining on the mountaintop. Place yourself there with him. Is there a prayer you would like to share with Jesus?

Spend some quiet time with Jesus in this place of peace and joy.

As you slowly read or listen to the Gospel, which line stands out? Highlight it in the text. Pray about how God may be speaking to you through this line?

Wonder Questions

How do you think Peter felt as he looked at Jesus shining?

Why did Jesus choose to show just three of his friends this moment?

MISSION

Go back to the mountaintop in prayer. You could do this by finding some quiet space away from the noise and busyness of the world and picture Jesus shining in front of you. You might choose to prayerfully create some artwork of the transfiguration and show what you think Jesus looks like shining in glory.

Remember to keep fasting for **Mary's Meals** too!



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