



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
3/2/25	Children's Mental Health Week
4/2/25 & 5/2/25	KS2 First Aid Training
4/2/25	Parent Book Share 3.20-3.45pm
5/2/25	Parent Workshop - Maths for KS1 9.00am
7/2/25	Pumpkin Class Assembly 9.10am
11/2/25	Year 6 Trip to the Science Museum

HOUSE POINTS

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

AWARDS

Congratulations to Jessica who has achieved 8 medals at The Essex County Swimming Championships. It just shows what hard work and determination can achieve!

Luke 2: 22-32

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Spirit into the Temple, and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

'Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation that you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and for glory to your people Israel.'

Attendance

Our winning classes this week

EYFS & KS1	Amber - 95.77%
KS2	Magenta - 97.75%

Punctuality

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EYFS & KS1	Sunflower & Ruby - 98.5%
KS2	Amethyst - 99.03%

Clothes Bank Collection

Our first clothes bank collection will be next Tuesday 4th February 2025, so if you have any unwanted clothes then please deposit them in the blue container just inside the gate before then. The school get paid per kg for the clothes and this money will be used to help pay for enrichment activities for your children.

'We Walk for Health'

This week we had a great assembly on the benefits of walking more and learnt amongst other things that sneezes can travel at over 100 miles per hour! This week your child is coming home with a template to design a new WOW badge on the theme of 'Walk with Joy'. Please encourage them to take part as we could be wearing their design next year.

Year 3 Service

The Service takes place at the Holy Family Church on Wednesday 5th February at 1.15pm. It would be great to see any friends and family there, but if you are unable to join in person then please do join us on the Parish livestream.

Sage Assembly - Chinese New Year

Congratulations to Sage on a wonderful assembly on Chinese New Year and thank you to all the friends and family who came along to support. Was anyone in your family born in the Year of the Snake? Next week we see the turn of Pumpkin Class.

Children's Mental Health Week

Next week we will be celebrate Children's Mental Health Week on the theme of 'Know Yourself, Grow Yourself'. Pupils will be completing activities in school and there will also be a parent information sheet sent out, so please do check your emails. As part of this the KS2 pupils will be taking part in First Aid training. It is 2 years since we have done it and it is time for a refresher. There is no cost for this thanks to your amazing fundraising efforts this year.

Parent Consultation Day & Parent Book Share

On Monday we will be releasing the slots for our Parent Consultation Day, when you will have the opportunity to sit with your child's class teacher and talk about their progress. I will send an email out to let you know when the slots are live. In the meantime you have the opportunity next Tuesday 4th February to come and look at your child's books from 3.20-3.45pm.



Scarlet	Lucinda	Ruby	Victoria
Sunflower	Ayla	Amber	Grace
Pumpkin	Kimani		
Sage	Tatiana	Emerald	Adam
Cobalt	Amanda	Sapphire	Kai
Lavender	Darius	Amethyst	Bianca
Fuchsia	Joshua K	Magenta	Ademide

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GOSPEL

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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 does it feel to be prompted by the Holy Spirit?

Have you experienced a moment where the Holy Spirit has prompted you?

MISSION

Think about a time when you met Jesus. Maybe it was through a person who showed you great love. Perhaps it was at Mass or listening to a Bible reading and you knew that God was speaking the words to you. Maybe it was in something that happened to you - something special or unexpected that told you that God loves you. Write it down and keep it somewhere safe. One day in the future the Holy Spirit could prompt you to read it again and remember the truth that Jesus is with you.

WORD OF THE WEEK

HUMILITY

PRAYER

Write down the name of a person you would like God to bless with his love and protection

Spend some time in prayer presenting this person to God in your own words.

Describe a moment when you knew God was with you. Use more paper if needed.

COLOUR

