



Our Mission statement at St Joseph's encompasses our ethos and values:

Inspired by Jesus, we grow closer to God through prayer and worship. We always do our best and show respect, love and care for everyone.



Reading Stars



Well done to these lucky children whose tickets were drawn this week.

Reception—Harry
Year 1— Anthony
Year 2- Saoirse
Year 3— Zlata
Year 4— Flossy
Year 5—Oliver
Year 6— Ruby

Thankyou to all the parents who have listened to and read with your children this week, you are making a huge difference in their lives—well done.

Finch Farm



Well done to the Y5 boys who attended a tournament in Finch Farm on Thursday. Mr Mackay and Mrs Nolan were delighted with your behaviour and attitude throughout the session. Along with your team spirit. Well done

Football Team

Well done to the football team who represented the school this week. Winning 1 match and drawing another.



100% Attendance Winner

Well done to Darcie in Year 2 who won the 100% Attendance Raffle.

She was so excited to win.

Remember we start fresh every week so don't worry if you were sick this week you could still be in with a chance if you are in every day next week.

Fingers crossed!



World Book Day

I am delighted to announce that we will be celebrating World Book Day on **Thursday 2nd March** this year. We are inviting all the children to dress up as their favourite book character and bring in that book to share with everybody on our special reading day. Or if they prefer your child can come into school in pyjamas. The book competitions we are running this year are detailed below I cannot wait to see some of the creations that the children bring in.

World Book Day Competitions

Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 children will bring home a wooden spoon on Friday, we would like them to decorate the spoon as their favourite book character. You can be as creative as you dare adding material, sequins, wool etc or the children can just paint or colour in their spoons anyway they want.



Years 3,4,5 and 6 are being asked to make a story in a box. I am excited to see what storybooks the children will recreate in a box (could be a shoebox, 3 sides of a cereal box, an old amazon delivery box) anything you can build a scene in. Some examples are below and if you google story in a box you will see loads of marvellous ideas you can get some inspiration from.

All children who enter will take home a prize with one overall class winner from each class winning a shopping voucher. Hope you enjoy these activities.

Can you guess the books from the boxes below?



Upcoming events


Can't believe we break up for half term today and we are already half way through the academic year.

Here are a few important dates coming nup over the next half term.

- 22/02/23 Ash Wednesday service for children.
- 23/02/23 Year 1 Trip to museum
- 28/02/23 Proposed Strike action day
- 01/03/23 Year 3 Trip
- 02/03/23 World Book Day (Dress up as favourite character or pyjamas)
- 09/03/23 till the 14/03/23—Book Fair (books available for children to buy)
- 10/03/23 Year 2 Assembly 9:10 parents welcome
- 20/03/23 Reception assembly for Mother's Day 2:30pm
- 22/03/23 Parents Evening
- 23/02/23 Parents Evening
- 24/03/23 St Joseph's Mass to celebrate St Joseph's Day
- 31/03/23 Year 1 Assembly—Easter—9:10 parents welcome
- 31/03/23 Easter Bonnet Parade Reception, Year 1 and Year 2
- 31/03/23 Easter Egg competition Year 3,4,5,& 6
- 31/03/23 Finish for Easter 1:30pm

Attendance

Well done Y2 who have won the attendance this week .



R	97.7%
Y1	98%
Y2	100%
Y3	97%
Y4	98.6%
Y5	95.9%
Y6	86.9%

Remember attending school is so important, as is being on time.

Our school target is **97%**

Our overall school attendance is 96.3%

Green met the target or exceeded, yellow just below, red is below and must be improved.

Well done for all the classes who achieved green this week and well done to year 5 who were so close!!

Keep it up everyone.

School Menu

This week the children will have a 3 choices. Option 1 will be a hot meal (see table below), option 2 will be a jacket potato and Option 3 will be sandwiches.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Sausage ad Mash with Gravy	Chicken Tikka with rice	Chicken wrap with fries	Roast beef Dinner	Fish fingers & chips

Next week:

- All classes will make pancakes this week to celebrate Shrove Tuesday
- Y2 Road Safety workshop (22/2/23)
- Y1 Trip to the museum
- Ash Wednesday service for children (22/2/23)

Keep Safe and God Bless

Ms McIlroy