



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.

Goodbye & Good Luck

As we come to the end of another school year, we say goodbye and good luck to our amazing Year 6 class. They have been an absolute pleasure in the 7 years they have been with us. We wish them luck in their new high schools and we know they will take the lessons they have learnt here at St Joseph's throughout their lives. I hope they will always remember St Joseph's as we will always remember the class of 2023 fondly.



Hello

As we say goodbye to our Y6 we also welcome our newest member to the St Joseph's family. Mrs McCarten welcomed a beautiful baby boy who she called Bobby last week. Welcome to the world, Bobby.



Congratulations

Well done to the children who were selected at the Central Collaborative Awards Ceremony last week. The children won awards for Curriculum Champion, Sporting Legend, Community Hero, STEM Star and Special Achievement. It was a lovely evening for all and I couldn't be more proud of the children on the night. Well done to Frankie, Jonah, Zlata, Jacob and Lily Jai.

Goodbye and Thank you

As we come to the end of another school year, we unfortunately need to say goodbye and thank you to several members of staff.

As previously reported, Mrs Clarke will finish her time here at St Joseph's after 25 years. All at St Joseph's wish her well in her new career.

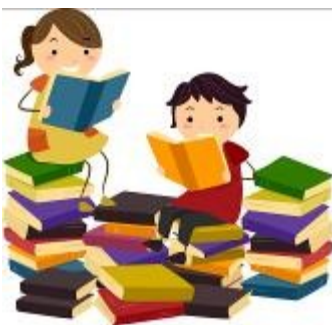
Mrs Nolan also leaves us at the end of the week; we would like to thank her for the time she has spent with us here not only as a class room teaching assistant but also working as a welfare assistant during lunchtime. Thank you Mrs Nolan for caring for so many of our children.

As Mrs Byrne has returned from maternity and Mrs Hill is returning in September, we also say goodbye and thank you to Mr Dorrity in Year 5 and Ms Hill in Year 1, thank you for your hard work and dedication to the pupils here at St Joseph's.

Mrs Ashton also leaves us at the end of the year, we would like to wish her well in the future.

St Joseph's staff and pupils would like to wish everyone a happy and successful future.

Summer Reading Challenge



All children have brought home a letter inviting them to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge and have fun with reading over the holidays. The Challenge encourages children aged 4 to 11 to enjoy the benefits of reading for pleasure over the summer holidays, providing lots of fun as well as helping to prevent the summer reading 'dip'. Each year the Challenge motivates over 700,000 children to keep reading to build their skills and confidence. Children can join the challenge at Huyton Library or sign up online. For more information, please visit:

<https://summerreadingchallenge.org.uk>

Class Teacher 2023/24

Here are the teachers and teaching assistants for the next academic year.

Reception—Miss Fitzpatick & Mrs Lavender

Year 1—Mrs Byrne & Mrs Keenan

Year 2—Miss MacDonald & Mrs Yates

Year 3—Mrs Field & Mrs Carroll

Year 4—Mrs Finnen & Mrs Brown

Year 5—Mrs Hill & Mr Hignett

Year 6—Mr Hughes, Mrs Connolly & Mrs Casson

School Uniform

Even before we finish this year, I know some very organised parents are already thinking about next year so I want to take this opportunity to remind parents of the uniform expectations at St Joseph's. Please see uniform policy on the website for further details.

Boys : Grey shorts , white shirt, grey v necked jumper or v necked tank top, black shoes (no trainers), plain grey socks, purple and gold stripped school tie

Girls: grey skirt or pinafore (knee length) or culottes, white shirt / blouse, grey v necked jumper / cardigan, grey socks / tights, black shoes (no trainers), purple and gold striped school tie

PE : Black pumps or plain black trainers, black shorts, white t-shirt / white polo shirt. In the winter months the children can wear plain black tracksuit bottoms or leggings.

No jewellery apart from a watch (no smart watches allowed) and small gold/silver stud earrings.

If any help or support is needed regarding uniform please contact the school mentors though the school email account.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your continued support in ensuring these rules are followed and you continue to set your child up for a bright future.

Summer Break

I know the children are looking forward to the summer holidays and I'm sure some of you are too. I wanted to express my gratitude to you all for the support that you offer school and your children. I am always proud of our school and children and especially when we get together in school clusters I realise how special our children are — their manners and behaviour and also how smartly turned out each and every one is. This does not come naturally and it is down to the hard work of all the adults that are involved in raising these amazing pupils. So thank you and enjoy your summer months—hope to see everyone happy and smiling on the 5th September.

Sports Day

Well the great British weather beat us and we had to cancel the planned sports days. However the children still had a great time competing in all the races and winning stickers.


Please see class pages on the website for more photos.





Attendance

Well done **Year 6** who have won the attendance this week.

R	95.3%
Y1	95.3%
Y2	90.7%
Y3	95.4%
Y4	88.2%
Y5	88.3%
 Y6	96.6%

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

Our school target is **97%**

Our overall school attendance ifor this week is **92.8%**
Green met the target or exceeded, yellow just below, red is below and must be improved.

Well done to Year 2 who have won the attendance party for the summer term—3 classes were drawn but it came down to lates. Well done Year 2 what a lovely start to year 3!

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.

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Poshdog with crisscuts	Chicken Korma with Rice & naan bread	Roast Chicken Dinner	Fish & chips

Next week:

- Children return to school **Tuesday 5th September—doors open at 8:40**
- New Reception 2023 start Thursday 7th September
- New Reception meetings held Tuesday 5th & 6th of September—please bring children along to meet the new teacher.,

Keep Safe and God Bless

Ms McIlroy