



**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—Ella  
Year 1— Max  
Year 2- Caleb  
Year 3— Tillie  
Year 4— Bodhi  
Year 5— Max D  
Year 6—Lewis

Thank you 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.

### 100% Attendance Winner

Well done to Lilly in Reception who won the 100% Attendance Raffle. 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.

Good Luck!



### Outstanding Ofsted Report

We are delighted to share the recent 'Outstanding' Ofsted report with everyone. With around 85% of schools previously judged outstanding being downgraded we are extremely proud to achieve this grade. It was lovely to hear the inspectors speak so highly of all the pupils and staff, and to recognise the exceptional curriculum that has been planned and delivered within the school. Well done to the whole team, staff, parents, governors but most importantly to our amazing children, who really are the best that they can be!





### Christmas Tree Dressing

One of my favourite days of the year is happening on Friday 1st December—the whole school gathers together to decorate the school Christmas tree. As every child is invited to add a decoration onto the tree we all sing Christmas carols and songs. To mark this special day we are inviting all the children to wear a Christmas jumper over their school uniform (instead of the school jumper or cardigan.)

### Christmas Draw

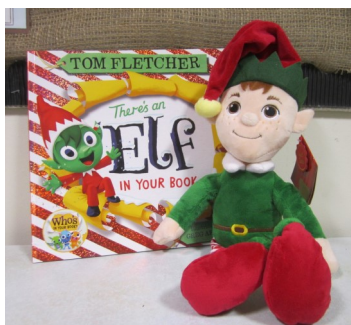
On Friday 2nd December when children are allowed to wear a Christmas jumper we are asking the children to bring in a donation for the Christmas Draw. We are always so grateful for the generosity in the past in regards to the donations made for the Christmas Draw so we can make up hampers as prizes. I would also like to thank those parents who have been able to donate other prizes.

To ensure we have a selection of prize hampers we would like to suggest children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 bring in chocolate such as a box of chocolates or a selection box for a child's hamper. Key stage 2—Years 3,4,5,& 6 to bring in a bottle for an adults drink hamper. Any donations gratefully received. Draw cards will be sent home with the children on Friday.



### School Council Competition

The school council are running a 'name the elf' competition on Thursday 30th November and Friday 1st December, to raise funds for a wet playtime game box for each class. The school council members will be going round each class with the game card if any of the children would like to play. It is 50p a go and the winning name in KS1 will win an elf and a book and in KS2 will win an elf and a tin of elf sweets. If any children would like to take part please put there 50p in an envelope with their name on it.





### Y4 Football Festival

A group of children from Y4 represented the school at a football tournament at Finch Farm, Everton on Wednesday. They did really well. They won 3 games out of 4 in their group and got to the semi-finals. It didn't go our way at the end but they did themselves proud. Well done boys.

### Swimming Gala

Well done to our Y6 swimmers who participated fabulously in Knowsley Swimming Gala. Special well done to Joseph who finished 2nd in the Y6 back stroke. Excellent swimming by everyone—well done!




### Y5 Library Visit

Y5 had a class trip to Huyton Library on Monday 20th November. They had a session with the school librarian and also had time to look around at the huge selection of books on offer. Thank you Knowsley Library Service for a great afternoon.



## Attendance

Well done to **Year 4** who have won the attendance this week.

R	96.3%
Y1	94.6%
Y2	93.3%
Y3	91.7%
 Y4	98.9%
Y5	96.7%
Y6	89.7%

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

Our school target is **97%**

Our overall school attendance for this week is 94.9%  
Green met the target or exceeded, yellow just below, red is below and must be improved.

## 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	Meatball sub & chips	All day break-fast	Tomato Pasta Bake	<b>Roast Beef Dinner</b>	Fish fingers & Chips

### Next week:

- Y6 Huyton Library visit (27.11.23)
- CLC computer sessions Y1 & Y2 (28.11.23)
- Y5 Field Trip (29.11.23)
- Christmas Tree Dressing (1.12.23)
- Christmas Jumper Day (1.12.23)

Have a Lovely Weekend  
Keep Safe and God Bless  
Ms McIlroy