



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

Everyone Together with Jesus

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—Willow
- Year 1— Lilly
- Year 2- Eryk
- Year 3— Antony
- Year 4— Thomas Hu
- Year 5— Lennon
- Year 6— Poppy

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.

**School Value
Award Winners**

Reception	Hallie
Year 1	Eli
Year 2	Alfie J
Year 3	Isobel
Year 4	Tillie
Year 5	Billy
Year 6	Joseph



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School in the Parish.



Prayer and Liturgy

Our prayer and Liturgy focus this week is :

Giving Thanks

Mass times at St Agnes and St Aidan's Church this weekend

Saturday 14th December 2024: 5:30pm

Sunday 15th December 2024: 10:30am



Our RE topic is : Loving (Advent/Christmas)

St Joseph pray for us and our Parish—St Joseph pray for us.



Thank you

Father Anton picked up the kind donations of food that has been left in the basket in the foyer. A big thank you to all the parents who donated food and toiletries. The basket will remain in the foyer for any further donations in the new year.

Sharing Wednesday's Word with parents/carers.

This Sunday is the last in the Church's year. It is the day on which we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. This feast presents a golden opportunity for us to make a new start with Jesus - the Universal King. It is a celebration to which all are warmly invited. The Gospel reminds us that Jesus' kingship is not one of political power, crowns and splendour, but one of peace and truth. He is not an earthly king - his kingdom is heaven.

Jesus stands up for God's true values of love and forgiveness and leads us into the truth. He also reveals to us the truth about ourselves. Enjoy a very special time together this evening, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is LEADER.

A Word from Pope Francis:

"Jesus leads us to go out from ourselves more and more, to give ourselves and to serve others, leading us on our journey towards eternal life."



100% Attendance Winner

Well done to Hallie in Year 6 who won the 100% Attendance Raffle.

100% Punctuality Winner

Well done to Eloise in Reception who won the 100% Punctuality Raffle.



After School Club

I am delighted to announce that school will open their After School Club in the new year. The club will start Monday 13th January and will run for 2 hours from the end of the school day until 5:15. Each session will cost £10 which includes a light snack and drinks. Parents can book and pay through the same on line app once you have filled in an application form which can be picked up from the school office.

Prayer and Liturgy Sessions

Thank you to all the parents and family members who attended the Autumn prayer and Liturgy sessions. The children loved to share this special time with you and are excited to announce the Spring dates for the next session. Please remember that these sessions are different to class assemblies as the children take more of a reflective role rather than all having a speaking part and they will be held in the classroom at 2:45pm.

Y3 Monday 13th January

Y4 Wednesday 15th January

Y2 Thursday 16th January

Reception Friday 17th January

Y1 Monday 20th January

Y6 Wednesday 22nd January

Y5 Thursday 23rd January



This is a time for quiet reflection and time to sit and listen to the Celebration of the Word.

Christmas Party Day



The school will be having it's Christmas Party on Wednesday 18th December. The children can wear their party clothes on this day but please ensure they have sensible footwear as they will be playing out at break and lunchtime.

Travelling Crib 'Posada'

Thank you to the families that have taken part this week in Mary and Joseph's journey. The children have loved taking the travelling crib home and enjoyed telling us about the time they spent together with their families. Thank you for sending in photographs which I have included in this newsletter—I will also upload these onto the school website. The children are looking forward to whose turn it will be next week.



Please send in any photographs to be included in our travelling crib journey—thank you for your support.


Christmas at Huyton Library

Y6 delighted visitors to Huyton Library when they sang a medley of Christmas carols and songs. The library have contacted school to praise the pupils behaviour. Well done Y6 and Mr Hughes who without him and his musical talents we wouldn't be able to take part in these activities.



Attendance

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

R	90.3%
Y1	96%
Y2	96.2%
Y3	95.3%
 Y4	97.1%
Y5	96.6%
Y6	96.2%

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

Our school target is **97%**

Our overall school attendance for this week is 95.4%
Green met the target or exceeded, yellow just below, red is below and must be improved.

Please remember punctuality is as important as attendance please ensure your child is in school on time everyday.

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
Option 1	Sausage and Mash	Scouse with crusty bread	Christmas Dinner	Fish and Chips

Next week:

- Year 1 and 2 Christmas Performance 2pm—Monday 16th December
- Y6 singing at the care home
- Reception Christmas Performance 2pm—Tuesday 17th December
- Christmas Dinner—Wednesday 18th December
- Christmas Party—Wednesday 18th December—Party Clothes
- Christmas Raffle Assembly—Wednesday 18th December
- Finish for Christmas Break—1:30 pm Thursday 19th December

Keep Safe and God Bless

Ms McIlroy