



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—Roan
- Year 1— Nathan
- Year 2- Favour
- Year 3— Antony
- Year 4— Honor
- Year 5— Zina
- Year 6— Sophia

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

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| Reception | Freya |
| Year 1 | Finn |
| Year 2 | Harry |
| Year 3 | Louie |
| Year 4 | Louie |
| Year 5 | Cooper |
| Year 6 | Flossy |

Sports Champions

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| Reception | Aspen |
| Year 1 | Eli |
| Year 2 | Kyra |
| Year 3 | Nellie |
| Year 4 | Sadie |
| Year 5 | Charlie |
| Year 6 | Eabha |

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School in the Parish.



Prayer and Liturgy

Our prayer and Liturgy focus this week is :

Perseverance

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

Saturday 11th January 2025: 5:30pm

Sunday 12th January 2025 : 10:30am



Our RE topic is : Community (Local Church)

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

Prayer & Liturgy Sessions for Spring

Parents and carers are invited to join their child/children in a session of Prayer & Liturgy. The session will start at 2:45 the dates for next week are as follows:

Y3—Mon 13th Jan

Y4—Wed 15th Jan

Y2—Thur 16th Jan

Rec—Fri 17th Jan

All other year groups will be the following week.

Sharing Wednesday's Word with parents/carers.

Welcome back to school and a Happy New Year to all. In Church this Sunday we celebrate a special feast - the Baptism of the Lord. The new year presents an opportunity to remember, or to discover, the blessings received at Baptism. In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus begins his mission to the world when the Holy Spirit comes down upon him - the same Spirit we receive through Baptism and Confirmation.

Pope Francis reminds us that, "Faith is a gift which we receive in Baptism and which allows us to encounter God." Jesus came for everyone: to draw us all into his family so that we can become more like him and joyfully share in God's own life. Enjoy your week and help spread God's love. Blessings and best wishes for 2025.

A Word from Pope Francis:

"Baptism gives strength and it gives light."



100% Attendance Winner

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



Big Thank You

I want to express my gratitude to Mr Skelton this week who has worked extremely hard to ensure the grounds of the school have been kept safe for the children, parents and staff. He has come into school early every morning and stayed past his hours to ensure the paths are gritted to ensure the children are safe.

Thank you so much Mr Skelton you are amazing!!

Boxing Class

The Y6 class will be taking part in some boxing therapy sessions in school on Monday afternoons for the next 5 weeks. The children will need to come into school in their PE kits starting on Monday the 13th January, the last session will be on the 10th February.



Parking Concerns

Please be extremely mindful when parking at pick ups and drops offs. We have had some concerned residents who have been trapped due to parents parking over driveways etc. Please do not park over driveways and be respectful of our neighbours. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Special Chinese New Year Lunch

On Thursday 16th January the children can choose to have a special Chinese New Year lunch, it will consist of crispy chilli chicken, noodles, stir fry vegetables and spring rolls all for £1.



Attendance

Well done to **Year 1 & Year 6** who have won the attendance this week.

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| R | 82.3% |
| Y1 | 96.3% |
| Y2 | 87.3% |
| Y3 | 87.7% |
| Y4 | 90% |
| Y5 | 83.4% |
| Y6 | 96.3% |

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

Our school target is **97%**

Our overall school attendance for this week is 89.1%
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 in 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 | Friday |
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| Option 1 | Cottage Pie | BBQ wrap with rice | Tomato pasta or Salmon & broccoli pasta bake | Chinese New Year Lunch £1 | Fish fingers & Chips |

Next week:

- Boxing Therapy Y6 Monday pm
- Prayer & Liturgy class session Y3 2:45 13/1/25
- Prayer & Liturgy class session Y4 2:45 15/1/25
- Prayer & Liturgy class session Y2 2:45 16/1/25
- Prayer & Liturgy class session Reception 2:45 17/1/25

Keep Safe and God Bless

Ms McIlroy