



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—Darla
- Year 1— Joshua
- Year 2- Isla
- Year 3— Daisy
- Year 4— Shea
- Year 5— Frankie
- Year 6— Eva

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	Bobby
Year 1	Gabriella
Year 2	Favour
Year 3	Noah
Year 4	Thomas Har
Year 5	Max L
Year 6	Olivia M

Sports Champions

Reception	Albie
Year 1	Evan
Year 2	Isobel
Year 3	Penelope L
Year 4	Oliver
Year 5	Morgan
Year 6	Dixie

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School in the Parish.



Prayer and Liturgy

Our prayer and Liturgy focus this week is :

Resilience

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

Saturday 18th January 2025: 5:30pm

Sunday 19th 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:

Y1—Mon 20th January

Y5—Thurs 23rd January

Due to Mrs Connolly being absent Y6 session will be postponed to a later date.

Sharing this week's Gospel with parents/carers.

In this Sunday's Gospel, we read from the Gospel of John. John does not record many of Jesus' miracles, so why is this miracle of changing water into wine given so much importance? It is important for us to know that, although divine, Jesus was also human and enjoyed human happiness. In the Gospel, Jesus helps out the unfortunate bridegroom whose wedding celebrations are on the verge of disaster because they're about to run out of wine. Jesus' miracle brings joy to his own mother and gives a joyful celebration to the whole village.

This miracle also reminds us about the joy of heaven, which is often described as a wedding-feast to which we are all invited. Jesus came to bring joy to everyone in every age. Happiness comes and goes, but the joy that comes from close friendship with Jesus stays forever. 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 JOY

A Word from Pope Francis:

“If we are close to Jesus, we will have joy in our hearts and a smile on our face.



100% Attendance Winner

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

100% Punctuality Winner

Well done to Francis in Year 5 who won the 100% Punctuality Raffle.

Afterschool Club

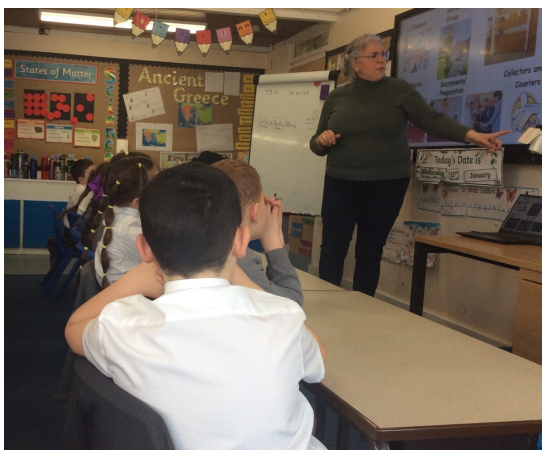
After years of parents asking for an After School Club and months and months of work we are delighted to open St Joseph's After School Club. Mrs Caddock-Gaskell and Mrs Campbell has lots of fun activities ready for the children to take part in including crafts, board games, sport activities, nintendo wii and much more.

Bookings for the After School Club are now open—if you are interested in booking any of the sessions please fill in a registration form, these can be picked up from the school office.



Christine Ball

A big thank you to Christine Ball who visited Year 4 this week to talk about the Parish community and the many different roles within the parish. The children were fascinated to see how many people work so hard behind the scenes to help the people of the parish. Thank you Christine the children gained so much from your visit.



Boxing Therapy

Y6 had a fantastic afternoon taking part in an afternoon of boxing therapy. I think some of the children used muscles they had never used before! The children were all buzzing with enthusiasm after the session and Mrs Leigh who ran the session alongside Kieran was delighted that so many signed up for the evening classes that they run. More pictures are on our website.




Drama Club

Children in the drama club had a wonderful time taking part in a special workshop in preparation for our performance of Romeo and Juliet at the Shakespeare North Playhouse in February. The session was led by a professional actor/director who helped the children develop their performance skills.



Attendance

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

R	96.7%
Y1	98.7%
Y2	94.7%
Y3	91%
 Y4	98.9%
Y5	97.2%
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 96.2%
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	Friday
Option 1	Meat Pie with mash & gravy	All Day Break-fast	Chicken Tikka Curry with rice and naan bread	Roast gammon Dinner	Fish stars & Wedges

Next week:

- Y6 Boxing Therapy Session Monday pm
- Y1 Prayer & Liturgy parent session—Monday 20th January 2:45
- Y5 Prayer & Liturgy parent session—Thursday 23rd January 2:45
- CLC in for Y3 & Y4 Friday 24th January

Keep Safe and God Bless

Ms McIlroy