



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.

Year 1—Albie
 Year 2—Alannah
 Year 3—Harry
 Year 4—Jessica
 Year 5—Daisie
 Year 6—Ethan

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

Year 1	Albie
Year 2	Gabriella
Year 3	Adityadev
Year 4	Maddie
Year 5	Oliver Mc
Year 6	Orla

Sports Champions

Year 1	Fallon
Year 2	Eli
Year 3	Emilia
Year 4	Alexis
Year 5	Thomas Hu
Year 6	Charlie

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School in the Parish.



Prayer and Liturgy

Our prayer and Liturgy focus this week is :
Asking for God's protection

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

Saturday 13th September: 5:30pm
Sunday 14th September : 9:00 & 10:30am



Our RE topic is : Domestic Church : Family

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

Sharing Sunday's Gospel with parents/carers.

In this Sunday's Gospel, we read that God loves us so much that he gave his only Son for us. Jesus' great act of love, of self-giving, on the cross, has paved the way for people to share in the true richness of God's joy and love in this life, and also in the life to come.

God wants us to try to live like Jesus, to be 'selfgiving', which is the opposite of being 'selfish'. To be 'self-giving' is to be very aware of others' needs or interests, and to put others' needs before our own. Enjoy hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's word, which is SELF-GIVING.



100% Attendance Winner

Well done to Alan-John in Year 3 who won the 100% Attendance Raffle.

Please ensure that children are in time for school every day.

Thank you

PGL Parents Meeting

A meeting for the parents/carers of the Y6 children attending the residential to PGL will be held on **Friday 26th September at 2:15**. The meeting will give further information about the trip and will also give time for the pupils and parents to ask any questions.



Reception Parents Phonics Meeting

Parents and carers of children in Reception are invited to a meeting to explain how we approach early reading at St Joseph's and how phonics is used to teach your child how to read. Parents of previous classes have always found this so useful as it is so different to how we learned to read ourselves. The meeting will be on **Wednesday 1st October at 2:30** in the school hall. Looking forward to seeing you at this meeting.

African Drumming

The children in years 4, 5 & 6 are very lucky to experience a day learning about African drumming on **Wednesday 17th September**. Parents and Carers of these year groups are welcome to join us at an assembly at **2:50** where the children will show us what they have



Open Afternoon



We would like to invite any parents who has a child who is due to start Reception class in September 2026. The open afternoon will give you a chance to visit the school and tour the different classes with our best tour guides our lovely Y6 pupils. If you have any family or friends who have children who are ready to start school please pass on this information. The open afternoon will be **Wednesday 8th October at 2pm**. The afternoon will start with a quick introduction from the Headteacher and will follow with tours around the school.

After School Club

We still have some spaces available for after school club every night.

The children who attend all have a wonderful time with Mrs Caddock-Gaskell and Mrs Campbell and have a variety of activities to keep them entertained. They include art and craft activities, football, bingo, board games, lego and some weeks will be specially themed such as Autumn weeks, Spooky activities, Christmas crafts etc.



On Tuesday 16th and Thursday 18th September the children will be able to make and decorate cakes and biscuits as well as all the other activities they usually have access to.

If you would like your child to attend please book via Parent Pay—if you need a registration form please contact the school office.



Tax Free Childcare



Good news ! We are now registered for Tax Free Childcare. Check out the website www.gov.uk/tax-free-childcare to check if you are eligible and simply apply online. This could mean a 20% savings on your Before and Afterschool Club payments.

Therefore the after school club would cost you £8 rather than the full cost of £10—well worth signing up for!!

Our registration number is **104472**.

Attendance

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

R	96.3%
Y1	89.6%
Y2	96.7%
Y3	96%
Y4	96%
Y5	92.1%
Y6	96.9%



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

Our school target is **97%**

Our overall school attendance for this week is 94.7%
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	Meatball pasta with garlic bread	BBQ chicken wrap with rice	Chicken Korma with rice and naan bread	Roast Gammon Dinner	Fish fingers and Chips

Next week:

- Y5 Parents meeting at 2:30
- Girls Football match—Monday 15th September
- African drumming for years 4,5 & 6—parent /carer assembly at 2:50
- Y5/6 Football match—Thurs 18th Sep

Keep Safe and God Bless

Ms McIlroy