



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 22nd November 2024

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Go, shine in  
the world



## Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you to the Reception parents who joined us yesterday for a **phonics lesson** and saw first hand how we teach reading here at St. Joseph's. As you know parents, reading is at the heart of our curriculum and when children read daily – at school and at home - they thrive.

We have lots to look forward to over the next few weeks including our annual nativity, carol service, a pantomime, the Christmas craft sale and of course, the Christmas class parties! This is in addition to our continued programme of visits and visitors. **Please do keep an eye on the dates overleaf.**

Enjoy your weekend, Ms O'Donovan (Head of School) and Ms Richardson (Executive Head of School)

## Coding and Robotics : A Visit to The Camden Learning Centre

Recently, our Year 4 students had an exciting trip to the Camden Learning Centre where they dove into the world of coding and robotics. Using LEGO blocks and computerised systems, they tackled a series of creative challenges, building and coding a fan, a censored crocodile, and even some dancing and singing chickens! Despite the complexity of the tasks, the students showed great perseverance, working through the challenges and learning about the essential components needed to make motorised LEGO creations come to life. It was a day full of learning, problem-solving and hands-on fun that sparked their curiosity for technology and innovation.



## Year 1 Art: Painting Reflections in the Water



I have received and read the St Joseph's Catholic Primary School newsletter on **22.11.24**

Name of child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND YOUR CHILD MIGHT WIN A PRIZE :)

## Applications for Nursery and Reception class for September 2024...

Do you have a child looking for a place in Nursery or Reception class for September 2024 or do you know anyone that has?

Applications for both classes need to be completed by **15th January**. An application form can be picked up from the school office or downloaded from our website.

Parents applying for Reception need to also apply online via [eadmissions.org.uk](http://eadmissions.org.uk) and should select 6 schools in order of preference.

Do phone the school office on **020 7242 7712** if you have any questions or would like a tour of the school.



## Important Dates for your Diary...

**Wednesday 27th November**

School Council meeting

**Friday 29th November**

Non uniform Day– bring in £1 for charity

**Monday 9th December**

Pantomime in school

Years 5 and Year 6 Christmas parties

**Tuesday 10th December**

Year 4 and Year 3 Christmas parties

**Wednesday 11th December at 10am**

Nativity performance for parents of Reception and Year 1 children

Year 2 and Year 1 Christmas parties

**Thursday 12th December at 10am**

Nativity performance for parents of Year 2

Nursery and Reception Christmas parties

**Wednesday 18th December**

Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 Carol Concert at Corpus Christi Church

**Friday 20th December**

Last day of the Autumn term



The winner of the Friday newsletter slip prize this week is Mila Joy.

Mila Joy has won a £10 gift voucher to spend at Waterstones.



## Attendance...

Congratulations to Nursery who were celebrated in assembly and received our attendance trophy for having the **best attendance in the school this week. The class attendance was 98%** Please make sure your child is in school every single day unless they are very unwell.



## Work of the Week...

Every week a brilliant piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office). This week's brilliant piece of work is by Priella in Year 4.

Priella's retelling of "The Carpet of Dreams" from *Tales Told in Tents* is both engaging and skilful. She uses 2A and BOYS sentences to create a clear, flowing narrative, while relative clauses add depth to the story. Her choice of varied synonyms for "said" enhances the dialogue, bringing the characters to life with vivid expression.

Well done Priella!



## Our Prayer for Friendship and Compassion

Lord God,

Help us to be a good friend to others by using kind words, taking turns and having empathy.

Amen



## Don't let a little worry turn into a big one...

If you or your child are worried about something or have any questions, please phone the school office and book an appointment to see their class teacher, Mrs Stewart or Ms O'Donovan.





**CHURCH of Ss ANSELM & CÆCILIA, KINGSWAY, WC2**

Do you love singing?

Do you love music, and would you  
like to be an even better singer?

**ST. ANSELM AND ST. CAECILIA**

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

**NEEDS YOUR VOICE!!**



The Schola Caeciliana, the youth Choir of St. Anselm and St. Caecilia  
is always looking for new members of age 7 upwards to sing at 10am Mass on  
Sundays.

Choir practice takes place in the Parish Room at the church after 10am Mass.

All are welcome and it's not necessary to be able to read music.

Free one-to-one singing lessons are provided.

Your parents can sign you up by emailing the Parish Office at

[lincolnsinnfields@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:lincolnsinnfields@rcdow.org.uk)

where you will be sent a link to sign up.

## The Garden Cinema

The Garden Cinema hosts family film screenings every Saturday & Sunday morning and on weekdays during the school holidays.

The screenings are '**Pay What You Can**' and on Sundays there is also a free post-film activity.

Upcoming films include: Paddington In Peru, The Chronicles of Narnia, The Muppet's Christmas Carol, Wonka, and Beauty & The Beast.

The full programme can be found here:

films for the family

Join us on Sat & Sun mornings and in the school holidays for our favourite family films + free activity on Sundays.

**The LEGO Batman Movie (2017)**  
SAT 16 NOV / SUN 17 NOV

**THE CHRONICLES OF NARNIA, THE LION, THE WITCH & THE WARDROBE (2005)**  
SAT 23 NOV / SUN 24 NOV

**LITTLE WOMEN (1994)**  
SAT 30 NOV / SUN 1 DEC

**THE NIGHTMARE BEFORE CHRISTMAS (1993)**  
SAT 7 DEC / SUN 8 DEC

**THE POLAR EXPRESS (2004)**  
SAT 14 DEC / SUN 15 DEC

**THE MUPPET CHRISTMAS CAROL (1992)**  
SAT 21 DEC / SUN 22 DEC  
MON 23 DEC / TUE 24 DEC

**ELF (2003)**  
SAT 28 DEC / SUN 29 DEC

**WONKA (2023)**  
TUE 31 DEC / WED 1 JAN

**PADDINGTON IN PERU (2024)**  
FRI 3 JAN / SAT 4 JAN / SUN 5 JAN

**BEAUTY AND THE BEAST (1991)**  
SAT 11 JAN / SUN 12 JAN



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