



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 12th December 2025

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Go, shine in  
the world &  
live as Jesus  
lived



## Every day counts at St Joseph's...

At St Joseph's, learning never stops — right up to the very last day of term. Our pupils continue to enjoy the **full curriculum every single day**, alongside festive highlights such as class parties, Christmas lunch, and even a pantomime.

Missing school means missing out — not only on these special celebrations with friends, but also on vital lessons that cannot be caught up later.

**Let's make sure every child is here, every day, right to the end of term — so they can enjoy both the learning and the joy of Christmas together.**

**Best wishes, Ms O'Donovan (Head of School) and Ms Richardson (Executive Head of School)**

## Ready for Reception or Nursery?

Is your child ready to begin their exciting journey into **Reception or Nursery next September**? Or perhaps you know a friend or family member whose little one is?

**Ms O'Donovan warmly welcomes families** on weekly tours—your chance to:

- ◆ Explore our vibrant classrooms
- ◆ Meet our dedicated staff
- ◆ Experience the nurturing environment we're so proud of

**Reserve your place today** by contacting the school office.

### Reception Applications

Applications must be submitted via [eadmissions.org.uk](http://eadmissions.org.uk) by **15th January 2026**

An application must also be sent directly to the school

**Even if your child is already in our Nursery, you must still apply for Reception**

## Christmas Parties at St Joseph's



I have received and read the St Joseph's Catholic Primary School newsletter on **12.12.25**

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

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



## ATTENDANCE EVERY DAY COUNTS!



## Attendance...

Congratulations to **Year 4** who received our attendance trophy for having the **best attendance** in the school this week. This means that the class will enjoy some extra playtime. The class with the best attendance for the half-term also get to enjoy an additional trip.

Please make sure your child is in school every single day unless they are very unwell.



## Recommended Reads... Festive Favourites



## Important Dates for your Diary...

**Monday 15th December**  
School pantomime-  
Wizard of Oz

**Tuesday 16th December**  
Christmas lunch day

**Year 1 and Year 2's Christmas party**

**Wednesday 17th December**  
10am Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 Carol  
Service at Corpus Christi, Maiden Lane-  
parents welcome

**Nursery and Reception's Christmas party**

**Friday 19th December**  
Non uniform Day-bring in £1 for charity

**Last day of term**

**Monday 5th January**  
Back to school- Morning Practice at 8:40am

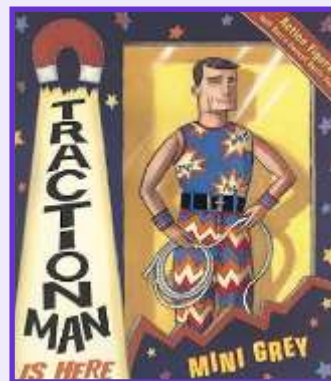


## Work of the Week...

Each week, we proudly showcase an outstanding piece of children's work in our school lobby. We invite you to pop in and take a look—it's always inspiring to see the effort our pupils put into their learning.

This week, **Hector** in **Year 2** has been chosen for his plan and retell of one of Traction Man's exciting adventures!

Hector has used his best handwriting, thought carefully about his sentences and then checked his work to ensure it makes sense. A joy to read! **Hector was also a fantastic Joseph** in our Nativity this week. Very well done Hector!



## Advent Prayer

Heavenly Father,

May we be lights for one another, sharing kindness, patience, and generosity each day. Guide us to welcome Christ with open hearts this Christmas, and to carry His presence into the world with courage and compassion.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

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, Ms Charles-Merrifield or Ms O'Donovan.

**We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.**



# St Joseph's Wriggly Nativity...



This week, we are delighted to celebrate Nursery, Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 classes for their fantastic **Nativity performance!**

The children spoke with confidence, sang beautifully, and brought the Christmas story to life with joy. It was a real treat for the entire school community.

We are so proud of all of you — thank you for sharing such a special gift with us!

