



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 27th February 2026

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Go, shine in
the world &
live as Jesus
lived



Dear Parents and Carers,

A special **thank you to Fr John** for the beautiful Mass on Tuesday. The children learnt more about the period of Lent, the most important season in the Christian calendar, and sang beautifully throughout.

Word Aware Day is coming up next Thursday. We look forward to seeing all of the children's words and costumes!



A reminder that **Academic Review Day** is tomorrow. This is an important opportunity to meet with your child's class teacher to discuss their progress. You will also receive your child's report during this meeting.

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

Year 6 History: A Visit to The Imperial War Museum



Keeping Safe Studies

This week, pupils have enjoyed learning more about how to keep themselves safe.

This included learning about:

- Road safety
- Fire safety
- Online safety
- First aid
- Personal safety

Do speak to your child about what they have been learning.



Government White Paper

You may have seen in the news that the government has brought out a new White Paper this week called Every Child Achieving and Thriving. We want to reassure parents that we will continue to teach every child at St Joseph's and support every child to do their very best including most importantly those with SEND. As we learn more about what the new paper entails we will continue to communicate with you about your child's support, attainment and progress in the usual way. If your child has SEND they will have a **SEND support plan** which is written and shared with you every term. Many of you are meeting our SENDCO, Ms Charles-Merrifield, either tomorrow or on Monday and she will share this information with you.

Are you interested in becoming a school governor?

We have a vacancy for a parent governor on our governing body. If you are interested in becoming a parent governor please do make an appointment to meet with Ms O'Donovan and have a chat about what the role involves.

Parents can nominate themselves or each other by writing to Ms O'Donovan.

I have received and read the St Joseph's Catholic Primary School newsletter on **27.02.26**

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 2 who received our attendance trophy for having the **best attendance in the school this week-100%** This means that the class will enjoy some extra playtime. The class with the best attendance for the term also get to enjoy an additional trip.

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

Person of the Week...

Each week, one student from every class is selected as our *Person of the Week*. These students are recognised for being outstanding role models and for consistently demonstrating our school values.

- Nursery: Milo**
- Reception: Skylar**
- Year 1: Rosa**
- Year 2: Yakub**
- Year 3: Mia**
- Year 4: Noah**
- Year 5: Priella**
- Year 6: Tommy**



Important Dates for your Diary...

Friday 27th February
Academic Review Day

Tuesday 3rd March
Art workshops for Years 3, 4 and 5

Thursday 5th March
Word Aware Day-dress up!

Tuesday 17th March
Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Music Concert

Thursday 19th March
St Joseph's Day

Friday 20th March
Partnership Football Tournament

Friday 27th March
Non uniform day, Easter assembly and the last day of the Spring term



Work of the Week...



Each week, we proudly showcase an outstanding piece of children's work in our school lobby.

This week, children across the school have been learning about keeping themselves safe. As part of their work on road safety, Year 2 pupils designed their own information poster.

Sadie has been chosen for her excellent road safety poster. It's clear, informative and very eye-catching— Well done Sadie!

Do pop in to see it for yourselves!



Our Prayer for Lent

Lord God,

As we continue our journey through Lent, help us to grow closer to You.

Teach us to pause, to listen and to make space for kindness in our hearts.

Bless our school community with patience, courage and hope as we prepare for Easter.

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.





Family Hubs
Camden



Early Help

Parenting Lead Team
Strengthening Families,
Strengthening Communities
(SFSC)

Venue:

**1a Family Hub
1a Rosebery
Avenue, EC1R
4SR**

**Free
childcare
and travel
available**

Dates:

**26/02 – 04/06/26
10am – 1pm
including
lunch**

SFSC parenting programme for parents with children aged 4 - 17 years

**Do you have a good relationship with your children?
Do you enjoy spending time together?**

After completing the SFSC the answers to the questions
will be YES.

Sign up now and you can expect to:

- Meet other parents and carers
- Share your views & experiences of parenting in a confidential space
- Understand why you parent the way you do and how to make improvements
- Set boundaries for your children which they will enjoy and respect
- Build a better relationship with your child
- Motivate your child to do their best at home and school
- Address concerns about drinking, drugs, antisocial behavior or truanting
- Make connections with your wider community and services in Camden
- Develop your confidence as a parent

SFSC makes co-parenting / parallel parenting so much easier for the family.
Try it and see for yourself 😊

For more info and to book a place, please contact:
referralsfamiliesinfocus@camden.gov.uk or:

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