



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Wednesday 25th March 2026

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Go, shine in  
the world &  
live as Jesus  
lived



## Dear Parents and Carers,

On Tuesday we held our termly whole school **poetry assembly**. Each year group performed a different piece—from classic nursery rhymes in Reception and Year 1 to poems by John Foster, Pie Corbett, Michael Rosen, Roald Dahl, and Valerie Bloom in the older classes. The children recited their class poems with confidence and enthusiasm—a real joy to watch!

As we come to the end of the Spring term, we want to thank you for your continued support and wish you all a very **Happy Easter**. We hope you enjoy a restful break and, hopefully, some warmer weather over the next two weeks. Doors open at 8:40am for morning practice on **Monday 13th April**. Breakfast Club will be running as usual from 8:00am, and there is no need to book—just pop in if you need it.

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

## Poetry Assembly...



**POETRY**

## Message from Ms Richardson...

After four and a half years of working in two of our partnership schools, St Patrick's and St Joseph's, we are saying goodbye to Ms Charles-Merrifield. We thank Ms Charles-Merrifield for sharing her gifts and talents as a teacher, SENCO and Assistant Head with both of the schools and for all of the ways she has supported children, staff and parents here. Her expertise and commitment to the wellbeing and learning of our pupils has been greatly appreciated. We wish her the very best in her new role in leadership. We ask for God to be with Ms Charles-Merrifield as she moves on to her new adventure.

## Presentations to Parents...

During the Summer term, children will be preparing presentations to share some of the learning they've enjoyed this year. Classes will highlight a few subjects and there will be singing, poetry and other creative elements to bring their learning to life. After the presentation, parents will be invited to look through their child's books and see examples of work on display.

These sessions offer families a helpful look into classroom life and are a great opportunity to celebrate your child's achievements.

I have received and read the St Joseph's Catholic Primary School newsletter on **25.03.26**

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

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



## Attendance...

Congratulations to **Year 6** who received our attendance trophy for having the **best attendance for this half term– 99%**  
This means that the class will enjoy some extra playtime and have an additional visit next term. Well done Year 6!

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: Sofia**

**Reception: Leah**

**Year 1: Star**

**Year 2: Delina**

**Year 3: Aiden**

**Year 4: Henry**

**Year 5: Natnael**

**Year 6: Jayden**



## Important Dates for your Diary...

**Friday 27th March**

Non uniform day, Easter assembly and the last day of the Spring term

**Monday 13th April**

Pupils return to school for the Summer term 8.40am for morning practice

**Monday 20th April**

After School enrichment clubs begin again this week

**Fri 26<sup>th</sup> April**

Non uniform day

**Tuesday 28th April**

Camden Music Festival

**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May**

Bank Holiday

**Week beginning Monday 11<sup>th</sup> May**

KS2 SATS week

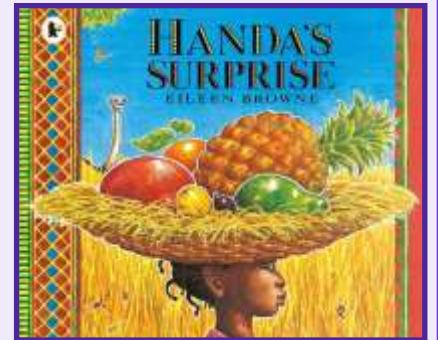
## Work of the Week...



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

This week, **Jasper** in Nursery has been chosen for his fantastic work inspired by the story, 'Handa's Surprise.'

Jasper has drawn his own fruit bowl and written some key words from the story. **Do pop in to see it for yourselves!**



Well done Jasper!

The winner of the Friday newsletter slip prize this week is **Savannah** in Year 3. She has won a £10 gift voucher to spend at Waterstones.

## Our Easter Prayer...



Lord God,

As we begin our Easter break, fill our hearts with Your peace and joy.

Help us to carry the hope of Your Resurrection into our homes, our friendships, and all we do.

Keep our school community safe, and guide us to return refreshed and ready to grow in faith and love.

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.

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





# Camden Family Learning FREE Story Sacks for Children Aged 3 Years Plus



## Easter Holidays Story Telling Sessions On

### Tuesday 31st March

Swiss Cottage Library, NW3 3HA  
10:30am-12noon (Mrs Mole I'm Home )  
West Hampstead Library, NW6 1AU  
1:30pm-3:00pm (Mrs Mole I'm Home )

### Thursday 2nd April

Camden Town Library, NW1 1BD  
10:30am-12noon (A Best Friend for Bear)  
Queens Crescent Library, NW5 4HH  
1:30pm-3:00pm (Mrs Mole I'm Home)



Call Alison on 07876 651950 to book your place  
You must book to join in (due to health & safety rules)

A fun arts and crafts resource  
making session to bring the story  
to life.

Make a story  
prop to join in  
with the story  
adventure.



Every family will be gifted with a copy of the book

