

ST JOSEPH'S NEWSLETTER



FRIDAY 12TH DECEMBER 2025

AUTUMN TERM

This Week's News

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have continued our Advent preparations together and were treated to the beautiful retelling of the Nativity, the first coming of Jesus, on Monday and Tuesday this week.

Year 5 finished their block of swimming at the local leisure centre and our Year 6 children will start a four week block before the swimming pool at the leisure centre closes at the end of January. These sessions will start on Wednesday 7th January 2026 with the lessons beginning at 9am. Please ensure that the children are in school at 8.30am as they will need to leave at 8.40am for these sessions.

Our Rock Steady Concert was held on Wednesday morning and it is always a joy to watch our children perform in front of their peers and parents. Thank you to Kris for his support to the children this term.

On Thursday, we supported National Christmas Jumper Day in aid of Save the Children - thank you for our support. We also welcomed many prospective parents yesterday too as part of our Open Day programme this term.

There are many other Christmas activities planned for the last week of term. These can be found in the dates section of the newsletter.

Finally, thank you for the donations of goods in support of our Reverse Advent Calendar initiative as part of the whole Diocese we collected 170 items.

Take care and have a wonderful weekend.

Mr Carry
Principal

Contact Info

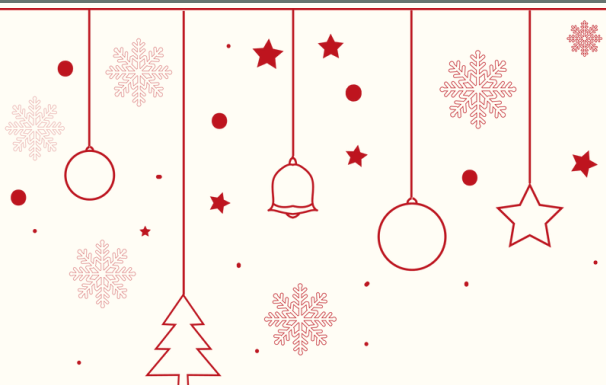
Email: jod_office@emmausmac.com

Safeguarding email:
jod_safeguard@emmausmac.com

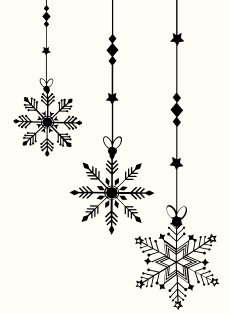
Phone: 01905 773572

Web: www.stjosephsdroitwich.co.uk

Facebook:
[St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School](https://www.facebook.com/St.JosephsCatholicPrimarySchool)



Celebration of the Word of God



In this Sunday's Gospel, John the Baptist had heard about Jesus Christ's miracles and all the other wonderful things that he was doing.

He was offering people forgiveness and healing, both physical and spiritual. Forgiving and healing was his task all those years ago and, if we put our trust in Him, this is what he can do for us even today.

Jesus Christ came to draw everyone into his love - to joyfully share in God's own life.

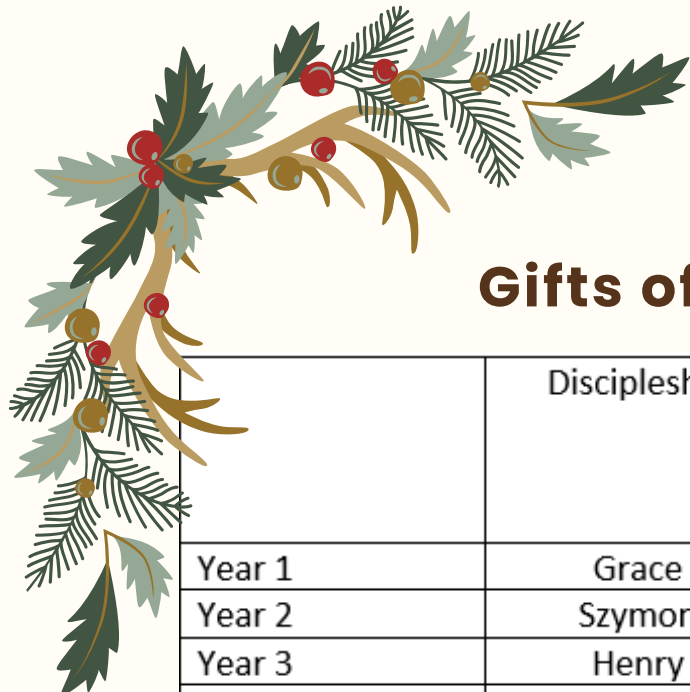
This Sunday is called 'Gaudete' Sunday; that is the Sunday of joy. The Christina message is called the 'Gospel', that is, the 'good news', an announcement of joy for all people; the Church is not a haven for sad people, the Church is a joyful home.

Those who are sad find joy in her, they find in her true joy. However, the joy of the Gospel is not just any joy. It consists of knowing one is welcomed and loved by God. As the Prophet Isaiah reminds us today, God is he who comes to save us and who seeks to help, especially those who are fearful of heart. Christian joy, like hope, is founded on God's fidelity, on the certainty that he always keeps his promises.

Pope Francis



Following St. Joseph, we grow closer to Jesus through our hard work, perseverance and kindness.



Gifts of God Awards

	Discipleship	I Am A Clever Writer	Catholic Social Teaching – Dignity of the Human Person
Year 1	Grace	Jaden	Lottie
Year 2	Szymon	Abbie	Rocco
Year 3	Henry		Archie
Year 4	Lydia	Mia	Kenzie
Year 5	Amelie	Annabelle	Rupert
Year 6	Mutsa	Jack	Isobel

Weekly Attendance Trophy

Well done to **Year 1** for the best attendance this week at **98.81%**.

House Points Weekly Winner

Congratulations to **St. Cecilia's House** for gaining the most points this week.
798 Points



Following St. Joseph, we grow closer to Jesus through our hard work, perseverance and kindness.



Stories by candlelight



You are warmly invited to share a story in class with your child this Advent.

A time to snuggle up, share a story and relax.

Tuesday 16th December 8.30 – 9am
& afterwards for biscuits and hot drinks served by Year 6.

Upcoming Events

St. Joseph's

Christmas Carol Concert

St. Joseph's children will fill the air with festive cheer at this year's Carol Concert, singing beloved Christmas carols. We will come together to celebrate the birth of Christ, a gift of hope, love, and peace to the world. Everyone is welcome to join in this heart-warming evening of music.

We look forward to seeing you all there.

Thursday 18 December 2025
6pm
Sacred Heart Church
Droitwich



Following St. Joseph, we grow closer to Jesus through our hard work, perseverance and kindness.

St. Joseph's

Nativity Mass

WEDNESDAY 17 NOVEMBER 2025
10:30AM

YEAR 2 TO LEAD

All are welcome to attend!




Following St. Joseph, we grow closer to Jesus through our hard work, perseverance and kindness.





UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY

DECEMBER

Every Tuesday – Book And Biscuit (3pm–3.20pm) BACK 6th JAN

You are welcome to collect your child and pop along to the hall to hear them read and share a book.

A member of staff will be on hand to welcome you.

Monday 15th December

Eco Council Toy Swap – 10am–10.30am

Pre School Christmas Party – 1pm

Wednesday 17th December

Nativity Mass – 10.30am (led by Year 2) Open to all

School Christmas Lunch – children can wear a Christmas jumper over their school uniform

Thursday 18th December

Class Party Day – children can wear appropriate party clothes to school

School and Parish Carol Service at Sacred Heart Church – 6pm

Friday 19th December 2025

Games Day (no electronic devices please)

End of Autumn term (3pm)

JANUARY

Monday 5th January 2026

Start of the Spring term – School opens for pupils (8.30am)

Tuesday 6th January 2026

Feast of the Epiphany

Thursday 8th January 2026

Start of school term Mass (10.30am)



Following St. Joseph, we grow closer to Jesus through our hard work, perseverance and kindness.