

ST JOSEPH'S NEWSLETTER

FRIDAY 19TH JUNE 2026

SUMMER TERM

This Week's News

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Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been our Trust-wide assessment week, where our children have been recalling their knowledge and understanding of the areas of learning in maths and English covered this academic year. This will provide the teachers (and parents) with information to identify gaps in learning and next steps for future learning. The end of year reports which will be distributed to parents on Friday 10th July will be collated together from the information teachers have been collating together over the course of the academic year in terms of their progress and attainment in relation to objectives in the core subjects.

The children are also going through the process of transition and many have visited or have welcomed visitors into school to support them in the next stage of their education journey.

Wednesday was also 'National Thank a Teacher Day,' which is an opportunity to thank all staff and volunteers who support the children on a daily basis here at St. Joseph's School. We will also be announcing where our teachers will be next academic year and a presentation will also be shared with parents in early July to provide an overview of the teaching expectations for next academic year.

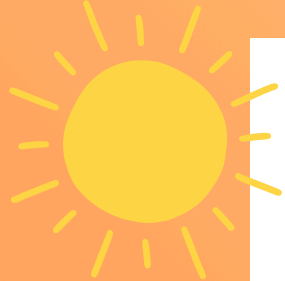
Next Tuesday at 6pm, we will be welcoming new and existing parents to the Reception Intake Meeting here at school. The children will also have the opportunity to visit Reception at 3.15pm on either 7th or 9th July too. We thank parents who have chosen to bring their child/ren to St. Joseph's School and for your support.

It is going to be a busy final four weeks to the end of the academic year with lots of opportunities to share and celebrate together.

Have a wonderful weekend and God bless.

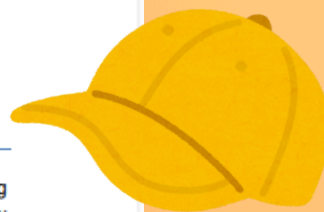
Mr Carry
Principal





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Parent Briefing: Keeping Pupils Safe During Heatwaves
feel free to adapt this to your school needs and policy



As temperatures rise, we are taking steps to ensure the wellbeing of all pupils and staff during periods of extreme heat. Here's how we're keeping your child safe, and how you can support us:

School Measures

- Monitoring classroom temperatures and adjusting activities when it gets too hot.
- Encouraging regular water breaks and allowing water bottles in classrooms.
- Keeping blinds/curtains closed on sunny sides and using fans where safe.
- Moving PE or outdoor play to earlier or later in the day to avoid peak heat.
- Providing shaded areas for breaks and lunchtime where possible.
- Being alert for signs of heat-related illness and responding promptly.

How You Can Help

- Send your child to school with a named water bottle each day.
- Apply long-lasting suncream at home in the morning (where applicable).
- Provide a sun hat and, if possible, sunglasses.
- Dress your child in lightweight, breathable clothes—uniform rules may be relaxed during heatwaves (we will confirm this in advance).
- Let us know if your child has any health conditions that affect how they cope with heat.

We appreciate your support in helping us keep our school community safe during hot weather.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.



Health and Safety 

Parent and Carer Voice

Please click on the link below to complete a short Google Form about the school. Can you also complete one survey per child at the school. Deadline for completion is Friday 3rd July 2026 at 3pm. Thank you.

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/e/NmFJgKNd20>



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through our hard work, perseverance and kindness.**



Reading Matters

Reading with your child for just 10 minutes, three times a week, can make a huge difference to their confidence, fluency and overall progress in school.

These short, regular reading sessions help children develop important skills such as understanding, vocabulary and expression, while also building a love of reading.

We understand that family life can be busy, but hearing your child read at home is one of the most valuable ways you can support their learning. Without regular practice at home, children can fall behind and their progress may slow.

Thank you for your continued support in helping your child grow into a confident and successful reader.

Absence

If your child is going to be absent due to illness, parents should contact the office by 9.30am.

Leave of Absence Requests - Exceptional Circumstances

The law does not grant parents the automatic right to take their child out of school during term time. In line with DfE expectations only very exceptional circumstances will warrant an authorised leave of absence.

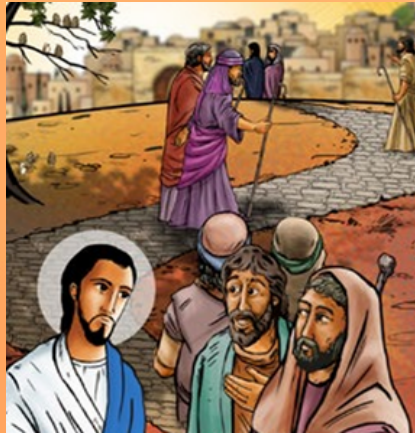
The school will review each application individually, considering the specific facts and circumstances and relevant background context behind the request.

The request must be made by the parent with whom the child normally lives, and permission must be sought in advance.

Attendance during one school year	Equivalent Days Absent	Equivalent Sessions Absent	Equivalent Weeks Absent
100%	0 days	0 sessions	0 weeks
95%	9 days	18 Sessions	2 weeks
90%	19 days	38 Sessions	4 weeks
85%	29 days	58 Sessions	6 weeks
80%	38 days	72 Sessions	8 weeks
75%	48 days	96 Sessions	10 weeks
70%	57 days	114 Sessions	11.5 weeks
65%	67 days	134 Sessions	13.5 weeks

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Celebration of the Word of God



In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus is sending out his disciples to heal and to preach the good news. Even if they are met with hostility and persecution, they must be true to Jesus.

Jesus himself was fearless in proclaiming truth and exposing falsehood. Now his disciples must courageously do the same.

Most of us require courage at some time in our lives, so it's good and helpful to nurture courage in our children.

As our children mature, it's essential for them to be brave and have the courage to say 'no' when necessary, even if it means going against the crowd or speaking up for truth.

Dear Lord Jesus, please give us the courage always to do and say what is right and help us to remember that we can always put our faith in you. Amen.

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Gifts of God Awards

	Discipleship Attentive & Discerning	I Am a Clever Writer	Catholic Social Teaching Rights & Responsibilities	Promoting Reading for Pleasure
Year 1	Esme	-	Leticia	Jovina
Year 2	Sophia	Stesha	Denis	Tala
Year 3	Bethan	-	Logan	Archie
Year 4	Adam	Panashe	Victoria	Pippa
Year 5	Bobby	Ellie	Ariana	Jacob
Year 6	Sophie	Billie	Roman	Betty

Weekly Attendance Trophy

Congratulations to **Reception** for the best class attendance this week at **100%**!

House Points Weekly Winner

Congratulations again to **St. Cecilia** for gaining the most points this week!



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SCHOOL

Chat with our SENDCo



Monday 29th

June

3pm - 4pm

If you have any new or
existing SEND concerns,
pop in for a coffee, cake
and a chat with Miss
Evans our SENDCo!

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KEY INFORMATION

Who: Girls from school years 4 – 11

No experience necessary

What: Love Rugby Activity day (non-contact, fun games & activities)

When: Saturday 27th June, 10am - Midday

Where: Droitwich Rugby Club, WR9 8PR

Contact: girls.rugby.drfc@gmail.com

Cost: Free

What to bring: Weather-appropriate sports kit & water bottle

Registration: <https://forms.gle/2sHcitARkJ8QMGc96>



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FOLLOW US!


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WALKING & WHEELING



at St Joseph's
Catholic
Primary School



GREAT
BIKES
GREAT
PRICES!

WATCH A
BIKE BUS
See it in action!



DR BIKE

6TH JULY

FREE basic bike
health checks and
minor repairs.



**BIG
BIKE SALE**

6TH JULY

Quality pre-loved
bikes at great
prices.



BIKE BUS

8TH JULY

We invite parents/
guardians and
students to join
our Bike Bus!

 Scan here to join
a route near you
or suggest a route!



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UPCOMING DATES FOR THE DIARY

SUNDAY 21ST JUNE

Father's Day

TUESDAY 23RD JUNE

Class photographs

New Reception Parent Induction Meeting (6pm)

FRIDAY 26TH JUNE

School INSET Day – school is closed to all pupils on this day

w/c MONDAY 29TH JUNE

Bikeability programme for Year 5

MONDAY 29TH JUNE

SENCO Drop in 3pm-4pm

Local Governing Body Meeting 6 (6pm)

w/c MONDAY 6TH JULY – National School Sports Week

Pre School and Reception Sports Day – Monday (9.15am)

MONDAY 6TH JULY

Dr. Bike Workshop and Bike Sale

Start of 'Race to Paris' with the Walk Wheel Cycle Trust

TUESDAY 7TH JULY

New Reception parent and pupil induction session (3.15pm-3.45pm)

WEDNESDAY 8TH JULY

Launch of 'Bike Bus' for Years 4 to 6

Rock Steady Concert (9.30am)

THURSDAY 9TH JULY

School Games Day (Sports Day) for KS1 (9.15am) and KS2 (10.45am)

New Reception parent and pupil induction session (3.15pm-3.45pm)

FRIDAY 10TH JULY

Reports to Parents

MONDAY 13TH JULY

Early Years trip to the Lido

WEDNESDAY 15TH JULY

End of Year / Year 6 Leavers' Mass (10.30am)

THURSDAY 16TH JULY

Final Gifts of God Assembly (9.10am)

Last day of the school year for pupils (finish at 3pm)

