

# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School: Newsletter 15.07.24

Mission
Together we love, learn, follow Jesus
Vision
At St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, through an open and generous heart, we learn together as a family in faith, following the gospel values of love.
Values
Hope Thankfulness Collaboration Compassion Friendship Resilience Empathy Creativity Justice Respect



**A Message from Miss Dewhurst:** The final newsletter of the year... I honestly have no idea where the time goes. This year has disappeared in the blink of an eye! It was a disappointing end to the football, but I hope all the families that were watching, enjoyed celebrations together, despite the result!

This just leaves me to say a big thank you to all of our families for your continued support this year. It doesn't go unnoticed that when we work together it really does benefit our children and our community. Thank you to the PTFA and all of our volunteers in school, you really do make a difference and we are all very grateful for your support. Lastly, and by no means least, I am sure you will join me in saying a big thank you to all of our staff team. They really do go above and beyond for the children at St Joseph's and are part of the reason our school is so special. Wishing everyone a lovely summer and well deserved rest. I am praying the sun remembers it's July!



## School Attendance:

	This Week	This Year
Yr R	97.5%	96.3%
Yr 1	<b>100%</b>	96.7%
Yr 2	92.2%	94.9%
Yr 3	93.6%	94.7%
Yr 4	97.6%	95.5%
Yr 5	<b>100%</b>	98.2%
Yr 6	93.3%	95.5%
Total	96.5%	96%

**Pope Francis:** *Without hope, we would be mere administrators balancing the present, but not prophets and builders of the future.*  
(Taken from X)



**This week spotted: Ollie**  
For being a good and kind friend

**Bring a bag!:** On Thursday, we will be sorting out all the exercise books in school from this academic year. Please could you send your child with a strong carrier bag so that they can bring their books home. As school has to keep a sample of books for every year group and in every subject, some children may not bring home all their books. These can be returned at a later date.



**Forest School:** It poured it down during this week's Forest School session but that didn't stop us having fun! The children were keen to build shelters to keep us dry. They worked very well in their teams. Well done to Tiffany and Sam who were this week's Forest School stars, for demonstrating a positive attitude throughout the session despite the cold and rain.



**Classroom Catch Up:** As we are approaching the end of this academic year, Class R/1 have enjoyed reflecting on their favourite memories of the year this week during circle time. Our Twinkly Nativity, our trip to Fleetwood Museum and our visit to Stanley Grange were some of our highlights of the year. Despite us looking forward to the summer break, we have continued to work incredibly hard across all areas of the curriculum. In maths, Year 1 have been consolidating their knowledge of time, particularly o'clock and half past, while Reception have been deepening their understanding of numbers to 20. In geography, we focused on investigating how people use the coast. Year 1 worked hard to present their data and findings in a pictogram. To end the week, we enjoyed celebrating our Big Friends during their Leavers Mass. What would we have done without our Big Friends this year? They've been amazing! Each and every one of them has demonstrated the St Joseph's school values, consistently setting an excellent example to their Little Friends in Reception.



Class 2/3 visited the Anderton Centre last Monday, spending time on the water in the morning and taking part in team building activities in the afternoon. Everyone had a great time. In English, pupils are coming to the end of their unit by writing an explanation text about the elephant washing machine they have designed.

And just like that we are approaching the final week of this academic year - where has 23-24 gone? Unsurprisingly, we've been working incredibly hard in Class 4/5. In English, the children have each produced their own version of the story 'Escape from Pompeii' and they have done an AMAZING job. It has been lovely to see them applying all of the aspects of grammar they have been taught across the year. In maths, we have all been focusing on co-ordinates, which is always a firm favourite with the children. In geography, we completed a volcanic case study where we looked at the 1997 Monserrat eruption and the effect this had on the 10,000 citizens.



This is it - the final newsletter paragraph for Cl 6. On Monday, they performed their Leavers' Production, a fantastic portrayal of Peter Pan, with some school humour thrown in. After taking 2 water gun shots to the face from Captain Hook, I still feel I have not fully dried out! On Tuesday, we went to Hollywood Bowl for our annual Year 6 and teachers tenpin bowling - a huge congratulations to Halle for being our overall winner! On Friday, we celebrated our Leavers' Mass, and once again, Year 6 have done themselves proud - it was the perfect send off.



**Rock Steady:** On Wednesday, our bands showcased their musical talents under the watchful eye of leader Arthur. We enjoyed listening to the skills they have learnt over the past term. Rock Steady will be running in school again from September. Your child should have brought home a flier with more details. Extra copies are available from the foyer if you are interested in finding out more!

**Happy Birthday to:**  
 Will J, Mattie, George H, Niah,  
 Aria, Seren, Sam R, Ben,  
 Sienna, Jacob, Arthur C, Mary,  
 Tiffany and Violet  
 As they celebrate over the last  
 week of term and during the  
 summer holiday.

**Tuck Shop:** After school on Thursday, our PTFA members will be running a tuck shop!





### Award Winners

#### CI R/1:

Dojo Champion: **Thomas**  
 School Values/Mission: **Willow R**—Friendship—  
 for always caring for her friends and being there  
 for them when they are upset  
 “Spotted”: **Mary** for consistently setting a good  
 example to her peers

#### CI 2/3:

Dojo Champion: **Phoebe**  
 School Values/Mission: **Emily**—Compassion—for  
 independently taking steps to encourage and  
 include classmates by being kind and reaching  
 out when they are sad or struggling  
 “Spotted”: **Hektor** for his agility and enthusiasm  
 on the low ropes course

#### CI 4/5:

Dojo Champion: **Lavinia**  
 School Values/Mission: **Emily**—Love—for show-  
 ing love and enthusiasm for writing  
 “Spotted”: **Freddie** for showing resilience and  
 putting 100% effort into his independent writing  
 in English

#### CI 6:

Dojo Champion: **Ruby**  
 School Values/Mission: **Seren & Heidi**—  
 Creativity—for leading an “interesting” dance in  
 Yr 6, involving the majority of the class  
 “Spotted”: **CI 2/3** for fantastic behaviour and  
 attitude on their trip to the Anderton Centre

### Recent Correspondence

Please find below a list of information that has  
 been sent out this week.

Remember to check School Spider for  
 all communication from school:

*Updated Uniform List*

*End of Term Updates & New Academic Year*

*Yr 6 Residential*

*Football final*

*Leavers Mass: 12.07.24*

*Stanley Grange: Group 1*

*Wednesday Word: 10.07.24*

*Reading Heroes Summer Scheme*

*Summer Reports: Feedback*

*Tag rugby finals: 11.07.24*

### Reading Books:

Please can you return all school  
 reading books and your child’s Reading Record to their  
 class teacher on Thursday morning. Thank you!

### Cool Milk:

Did you know that St Joseph’s has a milk  
 scheme. All children in school can have access to a  
 drink of milk every day. If you would like to register  
 your child, please visit: [www.coolmilk.com](http://www.coolmilk.com) to register  
 and create an account. Milk is free for children up to the  
 age of five.

*Cool Milk*

Community Bingo: Thank you to  
 everyone who helped make our first  
 community bingo event a success! Con-  
 gratulations to all the prize winners and  
 thank you to Mrs Latham our bingo  
 caller!



**Children's Liturgy:** Sunday was 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Year B. The Gospel was about how Jesus sends his disciples out to spread his word, but what did he say they could take with them?

They weren't allowed to take anything with them except a stick, to help them walk on their journey. They couldn't take a bag, or any food, or any money. Not even a change of clothes!

When was the last time you went away? Can you remember it? What did you take with you? How do you think you would like to go away without any clean clothes, any toys or books, any money to spend?

The disciples had nothing – it must have been very difficult. And without food or money to buy food, they could have been very hungry. They had to rely on the people they met.

We can learn from them along the way being kind and generous, inviting the disciples to stay with them and share their food.

All that we have is given to us by God and is meant for all people to share. So, this week let's try to be open to others, share what we have and be friendly and welcoming to everyone.

How will you share and be welcoming to others this week?

**This Sunday, 21<sup>st</sup> July will be our last Liturgy session for the summer. St Joseph's Children's Liturgy Team wish you all have a wonderful summer holiday and we look forward to seeing you all in September.**

**Diary Dates:**

Monday, 15th July

Thursday, 18th July

Friday, 19th July

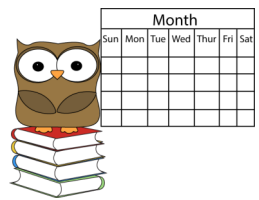
Start of Yr 6 residential at the Anderton Centre

Yr 6 lunch choice—details to be sent on School Spider

Yr 6 shirt signing and water fight

Anderton Centre assembly at 9.15am

School closes at 1.15pm



**Cl 2/3 Anderton Centre:** What a fantastic day Cl 2/3 had! They worked together on the kayaks and in their team building tasks.



**PTFA Message:** Thank you so much to all the parents that have supported our fundraising and events this year. Without your help and support we wouldn't be able to hold events or raise the money that we have done. Thank you!  
Please see below a poster showing how they money that you have helped raise has been spent!

Recycling  
Bin  
£63

Christmas  
Cards  
£82

Easter  
Bingo  
£336

Santa  
Dash  
£427

Christmas  
Raffle  
£325

Hanging  
Baskets  
£582

Disco  
£355

PTFA MONEY  
RAISED IN  
23/24 -  
THANK YOU!

Dare to be  
Different  
£154

Ice Cream  
and sweets  
sales  
£92

Summer  
Funday  
£1840\*

\*Shared with Church



These funds contributed to:  
New Playground Markings, New Books,  
Play leader hats and vests, New Starter gifts,  
Yr 6 leaver gifts, ice lollies for Sports Day,  
Forest School and Outdoor Equipment and we  
contributed £10 per child for school trips 😊



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**Good news!** We are proud to announce that, for the third year running, we have achieved 'Gold' in the School Games Mark.

A huge well done to all the children who helped us achieve 2<sup>nd</sup> in Y3/4 Dodgeball, 2<sup>nd</sup> in KS1 Multi-Skills, and Lancashire Finalists in Netball, Girls Football and Tag Rugby - not bad for such a small school!



**Guitar Lessons:** Don't forget, if your child is in Year 2, 3, 4 or 5, they can join our beginners ukulele / guitar group which will be starting in September on Wednesdays. If you would like any more information, please email: [carmel@cmg-guitars.co.uk](mailto:carmel@cmg-guitars.co.uk)

**Yr 6 Residential:** On Monday lunchtime we waved CI 6 off as they left for the Anderton Centre with Mr Astle and Mrs Edgerley. We know they will have fantastic few days away. On Friday morning, parents are invited into school at 9.15am to find out more about what they got up to!



**Tag Rugby:** Well done to our team for making it through to the South Ribble finals which were held at Hutton Grammar School on Thursday.



**End of Term:** Don't forget, school will close at 1.15pm on Friday afternoon for the summer. We will re-open to pupils at 8.40am on Tuesday, 2nd September



**Lunch time fun!** It was lovely on Monday lunchtime to see children from different year groups playing together, making use of the equipment and wonderful facilities we are lucky to have at St Joseph's.



**Stanley Grange:** On Thursday, Liam led the group in an outdoor music session with pupils playing the drums or a cymbal. This week, Group 2 will be the last group from CI 4/5 to visit Stanley Grange. Next year, it will be the turn of pupils in Year 3 and Year 4 to look after our allotment plot.

