



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School & Pre-School Newsletter

Friday 19th June 2026



Headteacher Awards

Josaiah (Year 3) for being helpful this week.

Jonah and Finley P (Year 3) for being great helpers at lunchtime.

Thank you for all the support with Sports Day, I know everyone enjoying taking part and having their families watch them. Thank you to the PTA who raised over £300 at Sports Day! Year 5 were a credit to our school, both during the day and in the evening whilst participating in the evening event - well done! Year 1 treated us to a brilliant class assembly, the children rose to the challenge of learning their words and taught us all about materials in the form of a mini play - well done! Teachers were grateful for Fr Angelus giving up his time yesterday to support the teaching of the RE curriculum.

Have a lovely weekend. Miss North



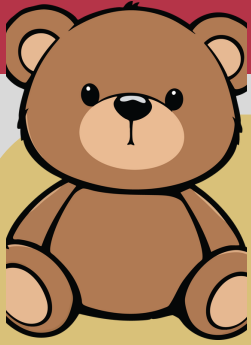
Well done to Pre-School for their lovely work on St Peter and St Paul.

This week, the children learned about the Sacred Heart of Jesus and they wondered at the depth of his love for every person. In the Gospel, the children heard how Jesus is filled with compassion for the crowds and chooses twelve apostles to help him care for God's people. Whilst praying, they thought about the love of Jesus, how to listen to his voice and consider how he might be inviting us to share his love with the world around us.





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Terrific Teddy

Pre-School - Redeemer

for joining in with songs and actions during rhyme time.

Reception - Archer

for showing great focus on his early morning activities and has completed some good independent writing.

Mrs Huish says well done!



Pot of Gold

Year 1: The Whole Class, for a fantastic assembly on Thursday. Well done.

Year 2: Amelia, for showing great determination to learn our school and class routines this term; she is producing some excellent work and thoughtful ideas in her lessons. Very well done, Amelia!

Year 3: Danielle, for always displaying our school values and for being kind and caring to others. Well done!

Year 4: Zachary, for demonstrating great listening, focusing well and trying his best. Well done!

Year 5: The Whole Class, for their brilliant behaviour and singing at the Junior Music Festival.

Year 6: The Whole of Year 6, for their excellent help with assisting the children and staff during the Key Stage One Sports Day. You were all excellent role models to the younger children.

REMINDERS

The weather forecast is to be hot on Monday and Tuesday, therefore children will not need to wear their tie on these days.

Tuesday -

Toast Tuesday

WdF Transition Day for Year 6 pupils.

Year 3 and 4 at WdF for their festival.

Wednesday -

WdF Transition Day for Year 6 pupils.

Thursday -

Year 2 Class Assembly & Year 4 Trip to London.

Attendance

Reception - 87%

Year 1 - 93%

Year 2 - 94%

Year 3 - 93%

Year 4 - 88%

Year 5 - 95%

Year 6 - 90%

This week, no classes have the expected level of attendance - 96%. Across the classes, the main cause of absence is illness. Please feel free to give us suggestions on how we can reduce this as it will be impacting on children's learning. Obviously, as the parent, you will know if your child is well enough for school or not, we want to work with you to support good attendance.



South Woodham Ferrers Family Athletics Competition

Last Tuesday, a team of 47 KS2 pupils representing our school at the South Woodham Ferrers Family of schools Athletics Competition at William de Ferrers. The team of, Ara, Lola, Bella, Eliza, Danielle, Finley P, Lewis, Jack, Finley W, Jonah, Laz, Mia, Tia, Sofia, Megan, Sena, Gracie, Freddie, Ronnie, Alfie, Messiah, Sonny, Luke, Finley, Mila, Jessica, Isla Mi, Bella, Bonnie, Amelie, Freddie, Vinny, Ellis, Micah, Jacob P, Harry, Marlow, Isabelle, Gabby, Isabella, Sienna, Benjamin, Jack, Joey, William, Freddie L and Ethan took part in a range of running, jumping and throwing events against pupils from other local primary schools. Everyone represented St. Joseph's brilliantly, demonstrating tremendous talent, skill and excellent sportsmanship. Congratulations to Messiah for coming 1st in the Year 4 boys sprint, Micah for coming 1st in the Year Five shot putt, Amelie for coming first in the Year Five shot putt, Ethan for coming 1st in the Year 6 standing long jump, Gabby for coming 1st in the Year 6 shot putt and Jack for coming 1st in the Year 6 sprint. These amazing results, along with many 2nd and 3rd placings meant that we came third overall which is a fantastic achievement. A big thank you to Mrs Luchmun and Mrs Goodman for accompanying us and helping to manage the team.

Mrs Hillier and Mr Minton



Sports Day – Tuesday 16th June

On Tuesday, we held Sports Day for EYFS, KS1 and KS2. Children from Pre-school, Reception Class, Year 1 and Year 2 were in action in the morning, competing in several races and their individual sprints. The children from Pre-school did brilliantly, many of them competing in their very first sports day! All of Reception Class and KS1 also did fantastically in their races and enjoyed their sprint races. Congratulations to St. David's

house who scored 122 points and won the EYFS/KS1 event, well done everyone! It was the turn of our KS2 pupils in the afternoon, and the weather had certainly got hotter!

The children did extremely well in all their races, despite the tremendous heat! The children again completed each race brilliantly and were extremely supportive of each other. Very well done to all the children and congratulations again go to St. David's house who won the KS2 event scoring 150 points!

The events would not have been possible without the army of people that helped. Firstly, a huge thank you to all our Year 6 pupils who assisted with the EYFS/KS1 event, helping the younger children, calculating the scores, helping with placings and helping with equipment for each event. You were all fantastic and we couldn't have done it without you! A huge thank you to Mr Hillier, Ms Baker-Chaplin and all the staff members who helped set up for the event and clear equipment away at the end of the day, it was very much appreciated. Another big thank you also goes to Mr Kidd for again allowing us to use his brilliant sound system for both events. A huge thank you to Ms Minton who lent us the three gazebos. I would also like to thank Mr Cooper from the William de Ferrers School Sports Partnership who came and helped run the event and decide placings, thank you!

Mrs Hillier



William de Ferrers School Sports Partnership Swimming Finals

On Thursday, a team of Year 5 and Year 6 pupils represented our school at the William de Ferrers School Sports Partnership Swimming Finals. The team of; Mila, Isla Mi, Sophia, Amelie, Vinny, Jacob P, Ellis, Isaac, Sienna, Isabelle, Gabby, Amelia, Jack, Freddie B, William and Isaac swam brilliantly in their races and relays against other schools from across the partnership. Very well done to Ellis for coming third in the Year 5 breaststroke race, Mila for coming second in the Year 5 breaststroke race, Sienna for coming third in the Year 6 breaststroke race and Jack for winning the Year 6 backstroke race. A special thank you also goes to Amelie in Year 5 and Jack in Year 6 who stepped in at the last minute to ensure that the Year 5 and 6 individual events and relay events could still be raced, thank you and well done!

A big thank you to Mrs Spooner who accompanied us to the event and helped to manage the team, thank you.

Mrs Hillier



Well done to Year 5 who participated in the Junior Music Festival at Chelmsford Theatre.



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Your paragraph text

Diary Dates

25th June 9:15am Year 2 Class Assembly

26th June - Year 6 Leavers Mass 5pm

29th June - Year 3 leading Mass

1st July 1:30pm Year 6 Production

2nd July Year 3 Class Assembly

3rd July 6:00pm Year 6 Production

6th - 10th July Year 6 Isle of Wight Residential

7th July - Year 2 Mini Olympics

9th July Year 5 Class Assembly

14th July - Rocksteady Concert

★ Genesis theatre arts ★

Summer workshops 2026

4th August High School musical 🎤

5th August Matilda 📖

6th August K Pop 🎧

19th August The Greatest Showman/ Circus themed 🎪

20th August Disney Day 🎡

All workshop's at St Joseph's primary school. There is an option of an early start this year.

Workshops run 9am-3pm for £35

Or 10am-3pm for £30

Discounts for siblings!

Please book via the link below 📌

Upcoming events - <http://www.bookwhen.com/genesistheatre>



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St Joseph's After School Club

Children will be able to access a range of age appropriate activities and crafts.
A healthy snack and drink will also be offered.

Session timings and cost

3:20 -4:15pm - £5.00

3:20-5:00pm – £7.00

3:20-5:30pm - £9.00

3:20-6:00pm - £12.00

If you would like your child to attend, please complete the Microsoft Form.