



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

Friday 24th October 2025

## Headteacher Awards and Message

This week I have seen **Sofia (Year 4)** and **Charlie (Year 5)** both be kind in school to others. Thank you to all the parents who have signed up for a parent evening appointment, by working in partnership with yourselves, we can ensure that your children achieve their best. If you have not yet been given an appointment for parent evening, these will be sent via Studybugs on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Have a lovely half term, school returns on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November. Miss North

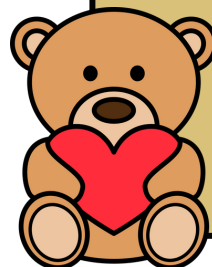


## Catholic Life and Mission

This week the children have been learning about a parable about a widow and a mean judge. The widow needs help and won't take 'no' for an answer. Jesus teaches us the importance of not giving up on prayer.



This week we pray for all the staff at St Joseph's, may they have a restful holiday.



### Terrific Teddy

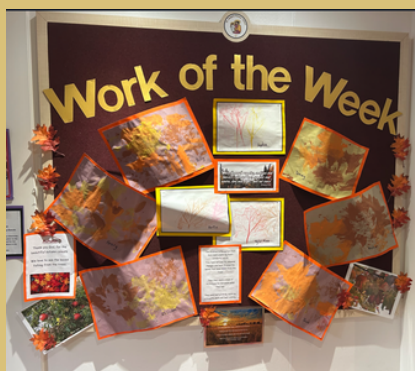
#### Pre-School Saoirse

for joining in well with our number games and songs and participating well with Forest school activities.

#### Reception - Jacob

for being kind and considerate to his friends and has shared his games and play scenarios with great enthusiasm!

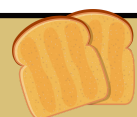
Mrs Huish says well done!



Reception Class have completed learning about God's wonderful world, looking at the seasonal changes that occur..

## Reminders This Week:

50p for Toast Tuesday



Please complete the data collection form on Microsoft Form.



Complete your child's flu immunisation form (vaccines are the first week back).



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## Pot of Gold

- Year 1: Alice**, for being a good role model and reading well.
- Year 2: Bow-Lei**, for fantastic progress with her reading skills this half term and now reads unseen texts with confidence and fluency. She loves books and takes every opportunity to read at home and in school. Good girl!
- Year 3: Finley P**, for his excellent focus in Maths and for helping other children.
- Year 4: Messiah**, for his excellent contributions in lessons.
- Year 5: Isla Mi**, for excellent recall and identification of subordinating conjunctions in English. Well done!
- Year 6: The Whole Class**, for a fantastic half term where you have really stepped up in terms of expectations. You've laid a great foundation on which to build further success.



## PTA Events

**Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 3:20pm**

Christmas Boot Sale

**Please donate:**

**toys, books, fancy dress costumes and new clothes only, home accessories, cake donations and sweet bags**

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

Christmas Stall during Light Switch On  
tbc

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> November**

Pantomime for the whole school - see poster on this newsletter.

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December (all day)**

Non School Uniform Day - £1 per child.  
Elfriges: Christmas wrap - all items £1 &  
**Creative section** in shop (glitter tattoos, make your own baubles etc 50p/£1)

## Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to 100%?

0 days off school	100%	Perfection
Equates to 2 days off school each year	99%	Excellent
Equates to 5 days off school each year	97%	Good
Equates to 10 days off school each year	95%	Slight Concern
Equates to 20 days off school each year	90%	Concerned
Equates to 30 days off school each year	85%	Very Concerned

## Attendance

**Reception - 97%**

**Year 1 - 95%**

**Year 2 - 96%**

**Year 3 - 93%**

**Year 4 - 94%**

**Year 5 - 96%**

**Year 6 - 95%**



Well done to Reception with the highest attendance.



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## **William de Ferrers School Sports Partnership Open Girls Football Tournament**

On Wednesday a team of Year 6 and Year 5 girls represented the school at the William de Ferrers School Sports Partnership Open Girls Football Tournament. This was their biggest event yet with 12 different teams from across the partnership taking part!

The teams were split into two pools, playing matches against other teams in our pool. The team of; Isabella, Marlow, Alicja, Amelia, Bella, Isla and Pandora played well against some very fierce opposition. It was lovely to see the girls improve as the tournament progressed. They also displayed great sportsmanship, encouraging each other and working well as a team throughout. They finished the tournament in 6th place in their pool – well done everyone!

A big thank you to the parents who came to watch and support the children, thank you.

Mrs Hillier



## **William de Ferrers School Sports Partnership Small Schools Football Tournament**

On Thursday, our boys football team were in action at the William de Ferrers School Sports Partnership Small Schools Football Tournament. This event is only for schools that are one form entry.

The team of; Joey, Jude, Jack, William, Ethan, Freddie L, Isaac and Benjamin played fantastically against two other teams. They won their first game 7-0 and their second game 2-0. Very well done! The team also demonstrated great sportsmanship throughout, which was lovely to see.

The teams impressive performance saw them win the competition and go through to the county final which will be held on Tuesday 11th November at Billericay Town Football Club. This is a fantastic achievement and we wish them the very best of luck.

A big thank you to Ms Minton for accompanying the team and to Mr Hearn who again gave up his time to manage the team, thank you. Thank you also to the parents who braved the weather to watch and support the children, thank you.

Mrs Hillier





ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## THE PANTO



**£9.50**

**DURING SCHOOL TIME  
FRIDAY 28 NOVEMBER**

The PTA would be grateful if you could make a payment of £9.50 per Child.  
The children will all receive a snack to enjoy during the performance.

PLEASE SEND PAYMENT BY FRIDAY 14 NOVEMBER  
TO - ST JOSEPH'S PTA  
SORT CODE: 20-19-95 ACCOUNT NO: 40389315  
REF: PANTO

Genesis Theatre Arts

## HALF TERM

### Workshop

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October  
10am-3pm  
4-12 yrs £28 for the day

Workshop at: St Joseph's primary  
School, Trinity Square, SWF

Dance, Singing, Drama & Art  
Movie at lunch  
Book via link  
[www.bookwhen.com/genesistheatre](http://www.bookwhen.com/genesistheatre)  
Contact Natalie on 07500 737418

## GUITAR LESSONS!

IS YOUR CHILD INTERESTED IN  
LEARNING GUITAR?

Children can work towards  
grades or just enjoy  
learning for fun.

FROM  
YEAR 2  
ONWARDS

**ACOUSTIC  
&  
ELECTRIC  
GUITAR**

Please contact David  
Aigsworth directly for  
more information  
**07841462208**

## 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 contact the school  
office..