St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Monthly News Bulletin

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Friday 11th September 2026





WELCOME BACK

Welcome back to all our SJPS families, friends and children. The new school year has got off to a great start. All around the school we have happy, well behaved children who have settled quickly into their new classes and the new routine. I would like to welcome all the new families across school to St Joseph's. We hope your children settle quickly into their new class and enjoy school life with us. I have been very impressed with how calmly and orderly the children come into school from 8:45am. Our new reception have made a superb start and have coped really well with lunchtime and learning- well done to them. The children look really smart in their uniform, black shoes, matching hair accessories and hijabs -thank you all so much. Children always learn best when they are well fed. Please make sure your child has a good breakfast and good nights sleep during the week.

On Tuesday 15th September, our 'New School Year Mass' will be held in St Joseph's Church at 9:30 am. Children from Year 2 to Year 6 will be celebrating. Parents are most welcome to attend.



<u>Main Priorities</u>

Our main priorities for the term ahead are to settle the children into routines and back track to give the basics of reading and writing so your children make good progress this term and close any gaps. Handwriting is also a focus to ensure all our children can form letters well and read their work.
All children should now have their home reading books. We appeal to you to read for 10 minutes minimum a night. Please write or sign the reading record to show they have read.

<u>P.E and equipment</u>

Please can we request that you have a blue school bag for reading books and bring in your P.E bag.
P.E lessons have started. – Make sure your child always has their P.E kit in school.

Meet the Teacher

Next Wednesday 16th September at 3:15pm and repeated again at 4pm. There will an opportunity to meet your child's class teacher in your child's classroom and find out all the routines and activities throughout the year, including how you can support your child with reading. It is just half an hour – see you all then.



SCHOOL TIMES

Thank you to everyone for getting to school on time.





School starts at 8:45am

School finishes at 3:15pm

Allergy Aware

Please can parents check that nothing containing nuts is put in your child's lunchbox.
The children have also been informed in assembly, as we have children and adults with nut allergies in school.
Our school kitchen also has to ensure no nuts too!







Polite Notices

A Reminder to parents that no dogs should be brought onto the playground. Thank you.
Road traffic- Please can parents NOT double park on Rigby Street. Traffic cannot pass and there are children, prams and parents crossing. 20 is plenty!!
Reminder to parents that **no toys or fidgets** should be brought in from home. We would not wish for them to go missing.

Well done to the following superstars on the first full week of school. You have all shone brightly and impressed your teachers. We are very proud of you!

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Y1A	Aliyah
Y1B	Jaxson
Y2A	Kevin
Y2B	Mo Salah
Y3A	Destiny
Y3B	Rayah
Y4A	Oliwia
Y4B	Sana
Y5A	Mateus
Y5B	Rayan
Y6A	Enzo
Y6B	Quinn



Sports Award Aliamad

SPORTS CLUBS

Sports club start again next week.
Miss Bell has sent out letters.
It will be so great to have our children competing, physically active and enjoying healthy lifestyles.





Website

We have a new website!!! Please have a look. Teachers and admin staff are very busy uploading information, forms and letters to ensure good communication https://stjosephs.mecmat.org/

Diary Dates 2026-27

September

Parents' Evening – Meet the Teacher: Wednesday 16th (3:15pm –3:45 and a repeat session from 4pm – 4:30pm)

October

Own Clothes Day (in lieu of chocolate) – Friday 2nd

Year 6 Robinwood Residential – 2rd to 4th October (return time approx. 3pm)

Family Chocolate Bingo Night – Thursday 8th, 5pm – 7pm

EYFS Settling in Reports – Monday 19th

Wednesday 21st October TEMPEST- School photographs

Autumn Disco – Thursday 22nd 5-6:30pm

Deadline for Year 6 High School Applications – 31st October

School Closes for Half Term – Friday 23rd October 3.15pm

School Reopens – Tuesday 3rd November