# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter

10th January 2025



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#### **Happy New Year!**

I would like to wish all our families at St. Joseph's a very happy New Year! I hope you and your child/ren are well rested and re-energised to begin a very busy spring term. On behalf of all the staff, I would also like to thank you for your warm wishes and most generous gifts leading up to Christmas.



#### Sunday 10 January 2025

Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17



At his baptism Jesus' mission was revealed: to share the Spirit of God with us

Then Jesus came from Galilee to John at the Jordan, to be baptized by him. John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now; for it is proper for us in this way to fulfil all righteousness." Then he consented.

And when Jesus had been baptized, just as he came up from the water, suddenly the heavens were opened to him and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, the Beloved, with whom am well pleased."

#### The Epiphany

This year, the Feast of the Epiphany fell just inside the school holidays. However, Mrs Garcia delivered a lovely assembly to the Upper Phase about the Solemnity of the Epiphany of The Lord. The children learnt about Pope Francis' poignant address to the crowds at St Peter's Basilica in Rome and how Epiphany is celebrated in other countries (Austria, Spain, Italy, Portugal, Belgium and Poland). Thank you to Mrs. Garcia for delivering the assembly.



#### The Fernandes Family Singers

The Fernandes family have been busy spreading musical joy across the internet far and wide. In this video, the family sing "Happy Birthday Jesus" in seven different languages. Well done to you all!



https://youtu.be/tWIIEW2R4zI?si=ztAAUJ8JCu3qRaZp

#### **Parent Evenings**

Please update your calendars as we have brought forward the Parent Evenings in March. The new dates are Tuesday  $4^{th}$  March (4.30 pm - 7 pm) and Thursday  $13^{th}$  March (3.30 pm - 6 pm). Please try to stick to the times and dates as teachers are discouraged from making appointments outside these times due to the government's work / life balance agenda.

#### **Parent and Toddler Group**

St. Joseph's Parent and Toddler Group (previously run from the church hall) is delighted to announce that it will be running sessions from the 'Community Classroom' at school. The sessions will run every other Tuesday, with the first one having started on 7th January. 9.30am-11.15am, no booking is required, but numbers are limited. Please follow their Facebook page, 'St Joseph's Toddler Group, Hanwell' for more updates. A flyer for the spring term dates have also been attached to the back of this newsletter.



#### **PTA Annual General Meeting**

This meeting that is scheduled for 7pm Monday 3rd February 2025. All welcome!



#### **Cooking Club**

Cooking Club resumes in the spring term. Please see the flyer at the back of the newsletter to see how to book. Be quick though, as places go quickly!



#### Free Online Workshops or help

Please look at the back of the newsletter for free workshops and help.

#### Celebrations

Religious Education Work of the Week awards are given to children who have shown that bit of extra effort in their RE lessons that week.

Class	Name	Reason		
Nur	Mollie-Mae	For talking about what it means to belong to God's famly.		
RB	Cian	For great understanding of the events of Epiphany.		
RL	Darcie	For always being very polite and having very good manners.		
1AP	Christian	For being able to say who his special people are and why they are special.		
1EB	Bentley	For his thoughtful work on who are special people in our lives.		
1SR	Krzysztof	For his thoughtful work on special people who help us in everyday life.		
2CF	Joseph	For his wonderful recount of the Epiphany story.		
2AF	Gabriel	For his superb recount of the Epiphany.		
2JB	Eyob	For his excellent retelling of the story of the Epiphany.		
3AR	Eddie	For a detailed retelling of the Epiphany story.		
3DB	Arnav	For writing a great recount of the 'Epiphany Story'.		
3SM	Ethan	For retelling the events of the visit of the Wise Men in great detail.		
4AS	Nichelle and Joseph	For planning and leading a thought-provoking collective worship about the Epiphany.		
4GS	Darina	For in-depth knowledge and reference to scripture in her RE work. Well done!		
4S	Bibiana	For writing an excellent retell of the story of the Three Wise Men.		
5AL	Gega	For lots of effort learning to say the Our Father prayer in another language.		
5AS	Ava	For writing an excellent letter about being hopeful for Christ to return.		
5CR	Jane	For a thoughtful letter to Jesus about how you show hope for His second coming.		
6LI	Gabriela	For using prior knowledge when discussing new topic vocabulary.		
6MS	Lidia	For her thoughtful comments about the importance of books in our 'Sources' topic.		
6WL	Alex	For an accurate and well-presented vocabulary page for Sources – The Bible.		

#### Celebrations continued...

Headteacher awards are presented each week to children who the staff think have put that little bit of extra into their work. Well done to the children listed below:

Class	Name	Reason		
Nur	Oleksandr	For gaining more confidence in new situations.		
RB	Kyra	For writing a wonderful sentence independently, well done!		
RL	Benjamin	For not giving up on some difficult activities – great job!		
1AP	Armin	For being a wonderful role model to his peers.		
1EB	Kate	For her super efforts and progress with her writing.		
1SR	John	For displaying a great understanding of subtraction.		
2CF	Adam	For an excellent start to the spring term.		
2AF	Lidia	For her excellent work and participation in Maths.		
2JB	Lilianna	For her excellent effort across all subjects this week.		
3AR	Elias	For a big improvement in the presentation of his work.		
3DB	Muhammad	For showing a super understanding of the multiples 5 and 10.		
3SM	Lorena	For her fantastic effort and determination during Maths lessons.		
4AS	Albie	For showing great courage in preparation for his first swimming lesson and overcoming some of his worries.		
4GS	Nathan	For trying his hardest to concentrate in Maths lessons. Well done!		
4S	Chipo	For fantastic evaluation of existing dragon artwork!		
5AL	Beatrix	For excellent contribution in Science when discussing materials which dissolve.		
5AS	Melania	For always having a positive attitude towards school.		
5CR	Quejeune	For a great first week at St. Joseph's!		
6LI	Efrata	For focussing on independent phonics learning.		
6MS	Paul	For his improved effort at participating in class discussions. Keep it up!		
6WL	Ayla	For fantastic verbal feedback in English, particularly her examples for grammar.		

Good Disciple awards are given to children who have shown exceptional love and kindness to fellow pupils and are helping to build God's kingdom here and now. Well done to the children listed below:

Phase	Name	Reason	
Lower	Jolene Nur.	For being a good role model.	
Middle	Teodor 3AR	For always being a patient and kind friend to everyone.	
Upper	Valmarie 6MS	For always being a kind and helpful member of our class.	







WEEKS

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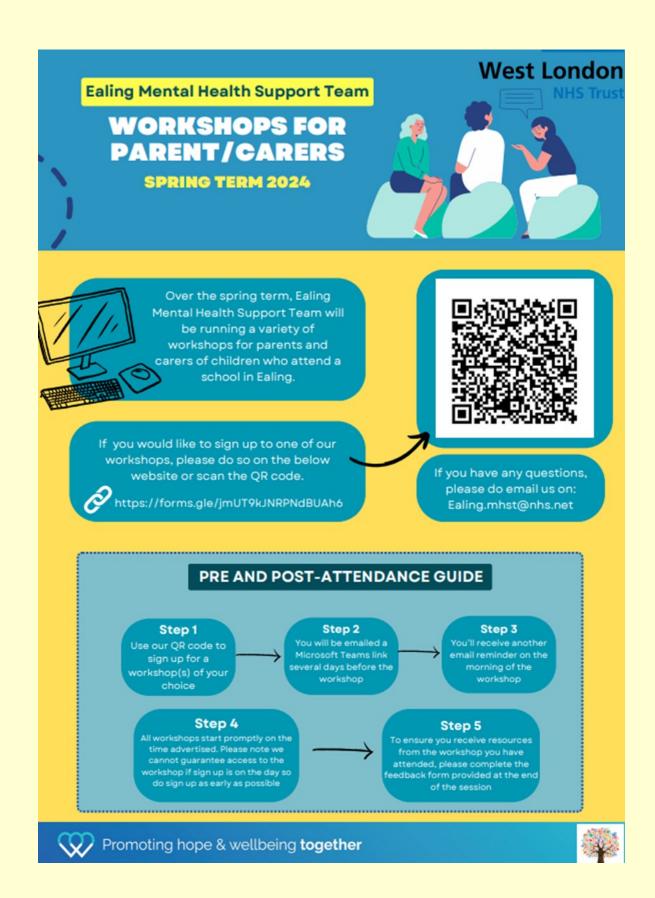
SATURDAY	Piano 5 years+ 9:30am - 10:15am 10:30am - 11:15am	Music For Language Development* 3-6 years 9:15am - 10am	Piano Play 4 - 5 years 10:15am - 11am	Guitar 5 years+ 11:30am - 12:15pm		
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TUESDAY			Piano 5 years+ 4pm - 4:45pm 5pm - 5:45pm	Percussion Play 4-5 years 4pm - 4:45pm	Music For Language Development* 3-6 years 5pm - 5:45pm	
MONDAY			Piano 5 years+ 4pm - 4:45pm 5pm - 5:45pm	Guitar 5 years + 4pm - 4:45pm 5pm - 5:45pm	Instrumental Play 4 - 5 years 4:45pm - 5:30pm	

For subsidised rates, please contact the office.

4+ YEARS £209 MUSIC HOUSE FOR CHILDREN 306 UXBRIDGE ROAD, LONDON, W12 7LJ 00 44 (0)20 8932 2652 musichouseforchildren.com | education@musichouseforchildren.com | Music House for Children is a not for profit organisation est. 1994

\*Music for Language Development fees differ. See website for more details.

All classes will run subject to numbers enrolled.



#### AN INTRODUCTION TO SUPPORTING ANXIETY IN TEEN LOW MOOD **CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE AUTISM** CHILD THE PARTY OF CLEAR PROPERTY. This workshop is aimed at This workshop is aimed at This workshop is aimed at parents of children attending parents of secondary-aged parents of children attending Primary and Secondary who would like to learn more about children, who would like to Primary and Secondary, who would like to learn more about know more about what may would like to know more about how to manage anxiety in cause low mood and gain Autism and how to support young people, as well as children where Autism may be knowledge of strategies that helping to build their can help to improve low mood. suspected or diagnosed. confidence. Date: January 16th 2024 Date: January 25th 2024 Date: January 26th 2024 Time: 1:30pm - 3:00pm Time: 11am - 12:15pm Time: 1pm - 2:15pm SUPPORTING FRIENDSHIP IN UNDERSTANDING BEHAVIOUR FOR MANAGING EXAM STRESS CHILDREN WITH ADDITIONAL NEEDS CHILDREN This workshop is aimed at parents of secondary-aged parents of children attending parents of **primary**-aged Primary and Secondary. The manage exam stress in information to help you why behaviours may occur in adolescents, and will provide with building and managing children with a range of strategies to promote wellbeing in students before, during and after exams. supporting with social anxiety. Date: February 12th 2024 Date: February 13th 2024 Date: February 22nd 2024 Time: 11am - 12:30pm Time: 11:30am - 1pm Time: 1pm - 2:15pm ............ . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . **UNDERSTANDING MENTAL** AN INTRODUCTION TO SUPPORTING POSITIVE HEALTH IN ADOLESCENT BOYS **AUTISM IN ADOLESCENTS BEHAVIOUR IN CHILDREN** CHILD THE PARTY OF of **secondary**-aged children. It aims to introduce parents to the changes and impact of of secondary-aged children. It that influence behaviour and strategies to manage your child's behaviour. It'll also consider the mpact of screen time and how to promote boundaries with this. to promote positive mental health. Date: March 14th 2024 Date: March 19th 2024 Date: March 28th 2024 Time: 10:30am - 12pm Time: 11am - 12:30pm Time: 11am-12:30pm Promoting hope & wellbeing together