



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Weekly Newsletter

17th July 2025



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Enjoy the Summer Break

This is the final newsletter of the school year. School breaks up for summer this afternoon, please pick up your child at 1.30pm. My best wishes go out to all our children, parents, staff and governors and I congratulate everyone on the way that we have worked hard together as a community. Now everybody deserves a good break. I hope that you all have a marvellous time over the summer holidays. School starts back for children in Years 1 to 6 on Tuesday 2nd September. On behalf of the staff, we very much appreciate your messages and most generous gifts, thank you!



Sunday 17th July 2025

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42



The welcome offered by the sisters, Martha and Mary, in Bethany

Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

End of Year Masses

On Tuesday, we celebrated two masses. The first mass was our end of year school mass for the children in years 1 to 5. Father Cristiano highlighted the fact that we should never give up and that we should not get discouraged, however tough things get. He also encouraged us to talk with God whenever we have a moment of silence. Thank you to Mrs Ingham for organising the mass and to Mr Brooks for his instrumental input.



In the evening, Year 6 had their Leavers' Mass. The mass was very special to the children and their parents. Father Julio wished the children well on the next stage of their school lives and told them not to forget their mission. Thank you to Mrs Ingham, Ms Smith, Mrs Whybrew, Mrs Spek, Ms Males and Mrs Murphy for organising the most special service.

Message from Governors

As we reach the end of another busy school year, the Governing Body would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has contributed to the continued success and positive atmosphere of our school.

We would like to extend our thanks to the headteacher and all staff for their dedication, hard work, and commitment to creating a nurturing, inclusive and high-quality learning environment for the children.

To our families – thank you for your support and partnership throughout the year. Your involvement plays a vital role in helping children succeed and feel supported.

A big thank you to the PTA for all their hard work throughout the year; especially organising the school fete which was such a huge success and enjoyed by everyone.

And of course, to all the children well done for all your efforts, enthusiasm and positive attitude to learning this year.

We hope you all have a safe, restful, and enjoyable summer break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September.

With best wishes,

Chairs of Governors

Anita and Hilary

Leavers

I would like us to pray for all the children who are leaving St. Joseph's and wish them good luck. Whether they are Year 6 children moving on to high school or children leaving because of family circumstances, please remember the friendships you have made at St. Joseph's and the values we hold so dear; they will stand you in good stead wherever you go. Our prayers are also for Miss Fowler who leaves our school to return to Australia. May God bless them all!

In memoriam

Yesterday, we gathered as a staff to remember Mrs Smith who died a couple of years ago. A special mosaic of an owl was commissioned so that it could hang in school as a fitting memorial to her life and her dedication to the children. It will keep her presence alive at St. Joseph's and future children walking past the owl will see the mosaic and read the plaque and know that she was special, her memory will be kept alive. Thank you to Mrs Kenny for organising the mosaic.



Mayoral Visit

On Wednesday, the Mayor of Ealing came to visit St Joseph's. Our recently appointed Mayor is a former pupil of St Joseph's which made the visit all the more special for the children...and him. The children in years 2 to 6 had an outdoor Q and A session with him. After this, he went on a tour around the school and had a chance to reminisce. He was amazed by how much the school had changed since he left. He thanked all the children and staff for making his visit so special.



Action Duchenne

On Monday, Alex from the charity *Action Duchenne* delivered an inspiring assembly about Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. He spoke about the importance of recognising that while we are all unique, we share many things in common. He reminded us how we can support one another and work together to make a difference. To mark **World Duchenne Day** (September 7th), St. Joseph's will be dedicating a special day on **Monday, 8th September**. Children are invited to come to school wearing **something red** and to bring in a **£1.00 donation**, which will be given to **Duchenne UK**. Thank you for your support in raising awareness and funds for this important cause. Thank you to Miss Sassenarine for organising the talk.

You can also still make a contribution to Eddie's Go Fund Me page, click on the link below or scan the QR code.

<https://gofund.me/06425f2c>



Thing we can all do to help?



Together we achieve great things

- Ask If someone needs help
- Change how we play games to involve everyone
- Look out for each other and be kind
- Remember we can all do it with help, some may need more help than others
- We all tell someone new about disability we grow the awareness of it.



Scan to donate to Eddie's Army



<https://gofund.me/95264cc6>

Drama Club

On Monday, the Drama Club put on their production of Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. I have to say that it was one of the most spectacular club performances that I have ever seen. The costumes and make-up, the scenery, the lay out of the performance area, the transitions and the acting were all fantastic. I was in awe of the children who dedicated their time over the year to attend the club and produce such a wonderful show. Children, you have set the bar very high! A special thank you to Miss Smith, Mrs Moat, Mrs Dziedzic-Korzen for running the club and to Miss Richardson, Mrs Rowland and Mr Sheehan for their help too.



Healthy Activity and Food Programme (HAF)

Soon we will receive a delivery of HAF postcards which will be distributed to children who are entitled to benefit related free school meals. The programme now uses a new booking system for the Summer HAF. Codes are no longer needed, so these will not be included with the postcard delivery. Eligible pupils (those receiving benefits-related free school meals) will be automatically added to the booking system. Eligible families will also be emailed directly with further booking information. Please note that primary pupils receiving the universal free school meals offer are not eligible for the HAF programme. The activity providers' booking information and FAQ's will be available through the 'Book an activity' tile on their webpage: <https://www.ealingfamiliesdirectory.org.uk/kb5/ealing/directory/haf.page?hafchannel=0>



Education and Skills Development Group

Look at the back of this newsletter for information on a Summer SEND Club. See the flyer and book as needed.

St Joseph's Toddler Group

At the back of this newsletter, please find the session dates and times for the autumn term of the next academic year.







**EARLY BIRD
DISCOUNT!**
(save 5% if you book
in July, use code
EBDISCAUT25)

COOKING CLUB

**Autumn Term 2025
w/c 9th Sep - 16th Dec**

**Tuesdays & Fridays
3:20 – 4:20pm**

Culinary Creativity in just one hour!

- Exploring food in a fun & safe way
- Sweet and savoury dishes
- A recipe for fun and skill-building

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Creativity | <input type="checkbox"/> Numeracy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Independence | <input type="checkbox"/> Confidence |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teamwork | <input type="checkbox"/> Problem Solving |



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www.mylittlechefathome.co.uk



Summer 2025

Junior Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) Programme

Looking for something **fun**
to do in the Summer Holiday?

Why not **check out**
what the Junior HAF
programme has to offer!



Monday 28th July to Friday 29th August
(not including bank holiday).

Children can attend up to 16 sessions, free*
across the whole programme.



FUNDED BY THE DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION (DFE).

*FOR CHILDREN WHO RECEIVE BENEFITS-RELATED FREE SCHOOL (FSM) MEALS. PLEASE NOTE, THOSE IN
RECEPTION TO YEAR 6 RECEIVING THE UNIVERSAL FSM OFFER ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR THE HAF FUNDED PLACES.

Children & Families



Disclaimer St Joseph's Catholic Primary School is happy to use the newsletter to support activities, events and publications. However, we have not vetted these services and are not specifically recommending them.

GET ACTIVE try new sports and activities, get fit, and be healthy.

GET CREATIVE have a go at activities such as performing arts, cooking or crafts.

GET SOCIAL have fun, meet new people, or connect with friends.



To find out more and book your child's place, please visit **www.ealinghaf.org.uk**

Eligible families will be emailed directly with the booking links shortly before bookings open.

Follow Ealing HAF on Facebook 



Contact:

HAF@ealing.gov.uk
or call **020 8825 6331**
(lines open 9am -1pm)

Bookings open

Wednesday 2nd July 2025





HILLINGDON SUMMER CAMPS

AT: SWAKELEYS SCHOOL

Clifton Gardens, Hillingdon, UB10 0EJ

MONDAY 28th JULY TO FRIDAY 1st AUGUST 2025 (Week One)
MONDAY 4th AUGUST TO FRIDAY 8th AUGUST 2025 (Week Two)
MONDAY 11th AUGUST TO FRIDAY 15th AUGUST 2025 (Week Three)
MONDAY 18th AUGUST TO FRIDAY 22nd AUGUST 2025 (Week Four)
9AM – 3PM
FOR BOYS AND GIRLS AGED 4 – 13

WE HAVE BEEN RUNNING OUR FOOTBALL CAMPS AND COURSES IN YOUR COMMUNITY FOR OVER 25 YEARS!

Exciting news! We are running our annual Summer Camps for four weeks on the dates
above.

- The Camps are for **5 days** from **9am-3pm**. Lunch is 12.15pm-1pm, children must bring their own packed lunch and plenty of drinks.
- The camp is held on **Grass football pitches and Sports Hall (If bad weather)** therefore children may wear trainers or moulded sole plastic studs if playing outside.
- On Friday at 2.15pm we hold a presentation, whereby **EACH CHILD WILL RECEIVE AN ENGRAVED TROPHY** as well as many opportunities to win extra trophies, including the **FA Cup Tournament, penalty shoot out competition, skill point winners**.
- The camp is run by **FA qualified coaches**, who are DBS checked and are currently working with children in **schools daily**, enabling them to learn essential football techniques, building **CONFIDENCE**, improving **FITNESS** and providing the most important ingredient of all **'FUN'!**
- The cost of each 5 day camp is **£100 per child** (£60 for additional brothers and sisters). **£25 daily rate**.

There will be consent forms to complete on arrival and payment should be made on the first morning of the camp or in advance via payment link.

www.prosoccercoaching.org

**TO RESERVE HILLINGDON SUMMER CAMP PLACES
PLEASE WHATSAPP/TEXT: 07947 638205 OR 07880 798 762
HILLINGDON CAMP + CHILD'S FULL NAME + AGE**



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EDUCATION
AND SKILLS
DEVELOPMENT
GROUP

SUMMER SEND CLUB Events

**30
JUL**

ARTS & CRAFTS (10-12)

Join us for a fun filled creative adventure where children can explore their imagination and bring ideas to life with arts and crafts.



**06
AUG**

MUSIC WORKSHOP (10-12)

Unlock the power of music for creativity, expression and connection, with Ealing Music Therapy.



**13
AUG**

COOKING WORKSHOP (10-12)

Child and parent friendly cooking session, to engage all the senses and create a culinary delight.



**20
AUG**

CINEMA TRIP (10:30 - 12:30)

Private screening of 'The Smurfs' for the SEND club children at Acton cinema (Snack's provided).

**27
AUG**

BOWLING TRIP (2-4)

Get ready to create unforgettable memories at Heathrow bowling.

**FOR
CHILDREN
AGED 4-11**

**PARENTS
WELCOME TO
JOIN ALL
EVENTS**

For more information
and to reserve your spot,
please contact us at

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