

# NEWSLETTER

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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W/E 22nd December 2023

Issue 4

Mrs Bury's thought for  
the Week...

*As long as we  
love, there will  
always be  
Christmas.*



## Our Catholic Life and Mission

*This Half Term  
we are being  
Attentive &  
Discerning*

Dear Parents and Carers

***'What is Christmas? It is the tenderness of the past, courage for present,  
and hope for the future'***

What a busy and exciting term we have had! We continue to have so much to be grateful for and again I thank you for your continued support.

This term has truly shown the strength of staff commitment here at St Joseph's. I am truly privileged to lead such a wonderful group of people.

There has been such a lot of wonderful activities this term. It was lovely to welcome so many of you to school to share in the nativity stories across all Key Stage 1 and Pre-School. The children always rise to these occasions. You must be proud, we most certainly are.

A huge thanks to Kate Lowe and our Friends Association who have again provided a wonderful Christmas Raffle for the children. We will keep you up to date with how your money is spent in the new year. One big focus for fundraising is ICT equipment.

We are trying many ways to continue to improve life and learning here at St Joseph's. The training day on 8<sup>th</sup> January is being led by Tom Bennett. Tom is known for his work on discussion and change in schools. He is the director of Tom Bennett training, which supports teachers and schools worldwide in creating healthy behaviour cultures. Like us, he is passionate about how to teach children to care about their learning, to see the need to behave, to give it a purpose. We are guaranteed lots of ideas to help us in continuing to support every child in the best way we can.

This just leaves me to wish you all on behalf of the staff and Governors, a happy and peaceful Christmas and to welcome you back to school on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024 ready to go again.

Yours in faith and partnership

Mrs Louise Bury  
Headteacher

## Year 2 Baminelli Making Workshop

On Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December children in Year 2 made Baminelli with their parents. These Baby Jesus's were blessed by Father Amal and Deacon Kevin in Children's Mass on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> December. Traditionally Baminelli were made and brought to Mass to be blessed in Italy. Following the blessing, the Baminelli then went home with the children to make a connection between the nativity set at home and in Church.

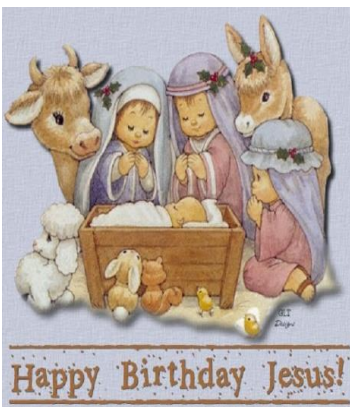
Don't forget to create your own nativity scene at home in time for the big day! Thank you to those parents who attended the workshop.



## Christmas Carol Concert



Thank you to those who attended the Christmas Carol concert on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December. Mr Tony Jay who led the concert, was very impressed with the "choir". A huge thank you to the Mini Vinnies who helped serve mince pies donated by Tesco to parishioners last Sunday following the Carol Service. Deacon Kevin thoroughly enjoyed his mince pie!



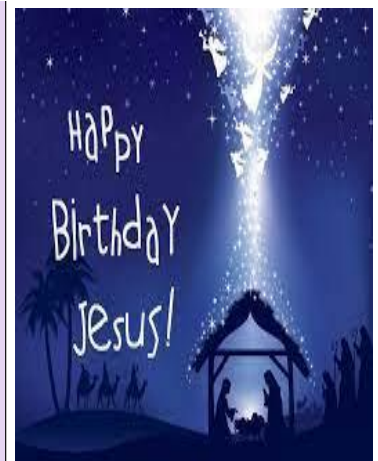
Christmas Eve

Please join us on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> December at  
12:00pm in

St Joseph's Catholic Church

for a Children's Carol Service followed at  
12:30pm by

Christmas Vigil Mass. Children are invited to  
create and bring a birthday card for Jesus.





# Diary Dates

<b>DECEMBER</b>	<b>Season of Advent</b>
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	8:45am KS2 Golden Certificate Assembly 9:15am KS1 Golden Certificate Assembly
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	<b>End of Autumn Term 2 – School Closes for Christmas Holidays</b>
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	12:00pm Children's Carol Service 12:30pm Christmas Vigil Mass <b>NOT 4:00PM MASS AS PREVIOUSLY ADVERTISED</b>
<b>JANUARY</b>	<b>Season of Christmas</b>
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup>	<b>TED Day – School Closed to Pupils</b>
Tuesday 9 <sup>th</sup>	School Opens for Spring Term 1
APRIL	
<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 3 Oak First Holy Communion – 11:00am</b>
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm Confirmation at St Joseph's Church
<b>Saturday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Year 3 Pear First Holy Communion – 11:00am</b>
MAY	
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	6:00pm Confirmation at St Joseph's Church



## — POPPY APPEAL —

Thank you very much for helping with our Appeal

£ 228.67

was collected by you.  
Without your help, we would be unable to  
continue our vital welfare and benevolent work.

Yours sincerely  
*Team Waldron*  
Local Honorary Organiser

District Total (if available) £  
Registered Charity No. 219279



**SPORTS IN  
EDUCATION**

**3RD TO 5TH  
JANUARY  
2024**

**SIGN UP  
ONLINE**



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Thorneloe Walk, Worcester, WR1 3JY

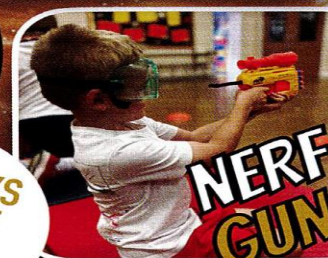
**NEW  
HOLIDAY**



**ACTIVITY  
CAMP**


**Year 1 - 7  
£24 per DAY!  
8:30am - 4:30pm**

**ALL 3 DAYS  
FOR JUST  
£60**



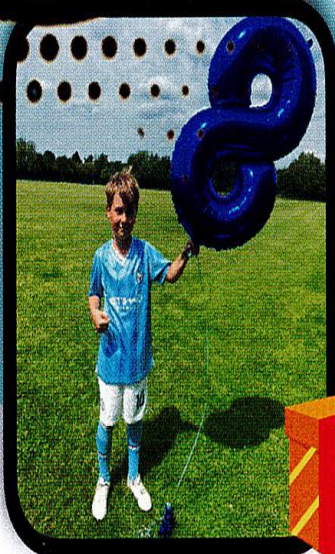
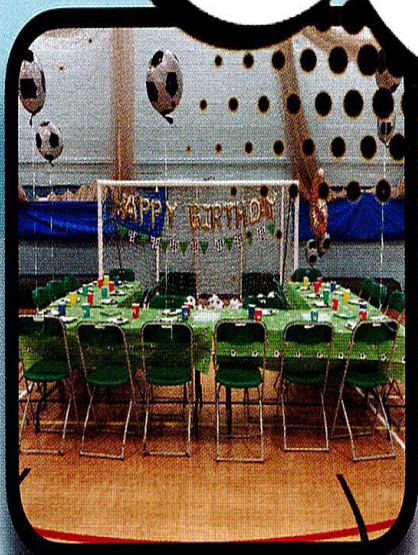
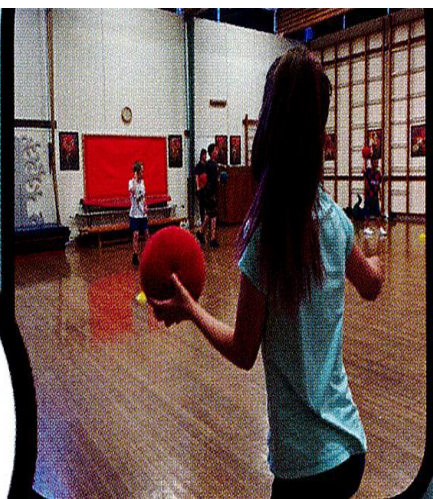
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**BIRTHDAY  
PARTIES**



**FOOTBALL | MULTI-SPORTS  
WINNER'S MEDALS | CUSTOM PARTIES  
CERTIFICATES | AJB PRESENT INCLUDED  
FREE DAY AT CAMP | PARTIES FROM £125**

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## MULTI-SPORTS CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY CAMP

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2024



**Worcester Haf | Oasis Academy, WR4 9PE**  
**Malvern Haf | Sport Dyson Perrins, WR14 1LH**  
**9:00 am - 3:00 pm | Age 5 - 11 years**

**Join us for a jam packed week of multi-sports!**  
**Cricket - Soft Archery - Dodgeball - & More**



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