# St Joseph's Catholic Primary Weekly Reminders





Gospel reading for
Sunday 30th March
Inday in Lent - Luke 15: 1-3 11-

Fourth Sunday in Lent Luke 15: 1-3,11-32



# **Headteacher Message**

During this week's assembly, we reflected on our Lenten journey. Having passed the halfway point of our 40 days, we acknowledged that some of us may be finding it challenging to uphold our Lenten promises. We reminded ourselves that this journey is about deepening our relationship with God. Like the blind man in last week's Gospel, we are reminded that Jesus can transform our lives if we believe and have faith. As Pilgrims of Hope, we strive to devote time to nurturing our relationship with God, living His values, and sharing His message of love.

This message resonated beautifully in our 'Love, Learn, Grow' assembly this morning. It was heart-warming to see families of award recipients attending to celebrate and support their children's achievements. Watching these pupils accept their awards always fills me with admiration for their resilience, determination, and dedication to their learning. One of my favourite moments during the assembly is viewing the PowerPoint slides showcasing the incredible learning undertaken by each year group in recent months. The sheer volume of learning and the creative ways in which staff introduce new concepts never fail to astonish me.

For example, it was remarkable how Year 2 managed to "travel" to Spain via their classroom, complete with in-flight refreshments—it was a delightful experience! Meanwhile, Year 3 impressed us with their stained glass window creations in Forest School as part of their 'Light and Shadows' topic. These beautiful artworks have enhanced the area's charm and added to its vibrancy.

Before the term ends, every child will have the opportunity to visit the POD, our prayer space, to reflect and spend time with God. This serene area features the Stations of the Cross, allowing children to journey with Jesus during His final days on earth. It's a meaningful time to develop empathy and reflect on the actions and emotions of Jesus and those around Him during this poignant time.

Our Year 3 and Year 4 pupils know this story well and brought it to life during the Passion Play in church on Wednesday evening. Through their actions and scripture readings, they retold the story in a memorable and moving way. We are so grateful for the children's efforts in creating such a meaningful adaptation and for the staff's dedication in preparing them so wonderfully.

## Reminders for w/c 31st March 2025

Monday	End of Term Mass—9.30am—Church		
Tuesday	Y6 Lenten Charity Day		
Thursday	Rocksteady Concerts 09.30 & 2.30		
Friday	FOSJS Easter Mufti Day—Easter Bonnet Parade		

#### Letters sent out this week

**Letter to Y4 re. Multiplication Tables Check** 

### Links to specific newsletters

**Preschool** 

**Reception** 

**FOSJS** 

# **Year Group Blogs**

We are excited to share that Year Group Blogs are now available on our website! These blogs offer a wonderful opportunity to explore additional information and photos showcasing the children's learning experiences and activities. Be sure to visit your child's year group blog and stay tuned for updates highlighting the incredible learning happening here at St Joseph's.

**Year Group Blogs** 



All awards will be announced next week due to our

Love, Learn, Grow Assembly

# **Attendance : Week Ending 21st March 2025**

Reg	% Week	Reg	% Week	% Year group YTD
RC	98.3	RMG	97.8	94.0
1D	97.2	1B	95.4	95.9
2WE	99.6	2E	99.2	94.8
3S	91.6	3B	93.8	94.7
4B	100	4G/F	94.2	94.7
5F	98.5	5D	94.8	94.7
60	94.3	6S/T	95.9	96.1
Top Reg	4B			

# The highest class attendance for last week was 4B with 100%



Weekly Prize Bag
to be announced next week!

£50 Amazon Attendance Voucher

Well done to Evie McCarthy who won the £50 attendance voucher for Her great attendance this term.

Our attendance remains above the national figure, so thank you for your support!

# **Local Information**





# **Key Messages for Parents**

#### **Curriculum Information**

You can find half termly information about your child's learning on the school website. Please go to the tab 'CHILDREN, YEAR GROUP PAGES.' Here you will find the topics being covered, key information such as PE, library and drop in days ,as well as a break down of the key concepts being taught (which can be found in the Knowledge Organisers below the information).

Please take a look!

From Monday 24th March we will be insisting that children who have packed

lunches do not dispose of their leftovers and packaging at school, but rather return home with it in the lunchbox.

Some parents have raised concerns about not being able to monitor the amount their child is eating at lunchtime. Hence, this new procedure will enable parents to see what their child has eaten.



It is much easier for staff to monitor children that have a school lunch because staff can see how much/little has been eaten when children take their plates to the waste station and at this point can always encourage them to eat well.



Have a lovely Mothers' Day and weekend.