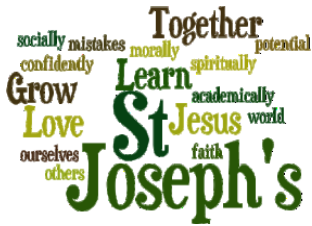


15th May 2026

St Joseph's Catholic Primary Weekly Reminders



Gospel reading for

Ascension of the Lord Solemnity

Sunday 17th May

Matthew 28: 16-20



Headteacher Message

It is only fitting that this week my message is dedicated to Year 6 at the end of their SATs week.

We are incredibly proud of our Year 6 pupils, who approached this week's SATs with determination, resilience and a wonderfully positive attitude.

From the moment they arrived each morning for breakfast, the children demonstrated a calm focus and a willingness to give their very best. They tackled each paper with confidence, showing not only the knowledge and skills they have developed over their time in primary school, but also real maturity and perseverance.

What has stood out most is the way our pupils supported one another. There has been a genuine sense of encouragement, kindness and team spirit throughout the week. Whether it was offering a reassuring smile or simply showing respect and consideration during test times, they made us all immensely proud.

In our Mass on Thursday to celebrate the Ascension of the Lord, Father John reminded us that we are never alone, especially during difficult and challenging times. The disciples felt a sense of loss when Jesus returned to His Father, yet He encouraged them to trust in God. In many ways, our Year 6 pupils have shown this same trust and courage this week. The journey that God has planned for each of us is one where He walks alongside us, and just like the presence of God, our pupils are also supported and guided by their families and our school community every step of the way.

We would also like to thank families for your ongoing support. Your encouragement at home has played a vital role in helping the children feel prepared and confident.

SATs week can feel like a significant milestone, and our Year 6 pupils have risen to the challenge brilliantly. Regardless of the outcomes, they have already demonstrated qualities that will serve them well in the future, and we could not be prouder of them as individuals and as a cohort.

Well done, Year 6 – you have been fantastic!



Weekly Attendance Figures



Attendance

| CLASS | % | CLASS | % |
|-------|------|-------|------|
| RM | 94 | RMG | 94.6 |
| 1D | 98 | 1B | 93.2 |
| 2AE | 97.4 | 2RE | 96.1 |
| 3W | 96.6 | 3B | 93.5 |
| 4B | 94 | 4GF | 96.3 |
| 5F | 92.3 | 5D | 98.5 |
| 6O | 96.3 | 6BT | 94.2 |

1st

2nd

3rd

5D - 98.5

1D - 98

2AE - 97.4

Key Reminders—Week Commencing 18th May

Tuesday, 19th May 9.00am

1B Class Assembly

Thursday 21st May

Year 6 swimming (First lesson)

Friday, 22nd May

FOSJS Mufti Day

HOUSEPOINTS

HOUSE POINTS – This week

| | |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| St David 104 | St George 94 |
| St Andrew 99 | St Patrick 107 |

HOUSE POINTS – Running Totals

| | |
|------------------|-------------------|
| St David 386 | St George 358 |
| St Andrew 342 | St Patrick 359 |

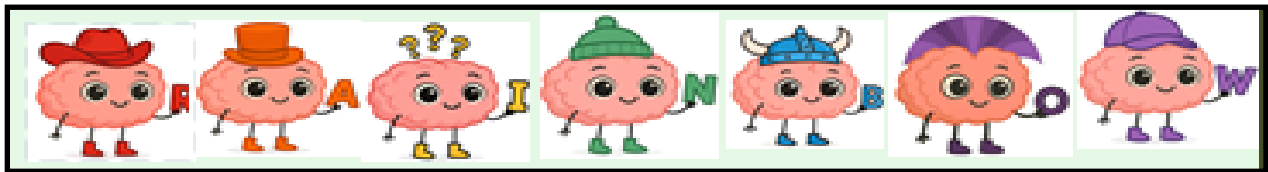


Class Champions



| Class | Winner | Class | Winner |
|-------|-----------|-------|----------|
| RMG | Conall | RM | Noah F |
| 1B | Patrick S | 1D | Edith J |
| 2AE | Thomas G | 2RE | Karina S |
| 3B | Ioana C | 3W | Bala A |
| 4B | Alexis B | 4FG | Julia G |
| 5F | Archie L | 5D | Lucas H |
| 6BT | Alaa A | 6O | Prem A |

Rainbow Award Winners



Miles W 4FG, Maisie R 3S, Spencer A 4B, Evie E 5D, 6O class, 6BT class

Oscar K 2AE, Layton H 1D, Ariana B 1B, Harry P RM, Jessica F RMG, Ada D RMG,

Heaven J 2RE, Frankie O' RM

Millionaire Reader Club

Well done to our latest millionaire readers.

Joining the club this week are:

Aaron T 3B

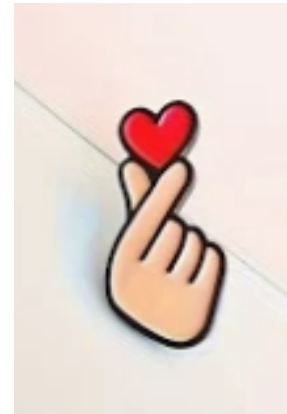
Elsie H 4B

Maria D 6BT

Handprint on Someone's Heart Badges

Our Head Boy and Head Girl, Ismael and Sienna, collect the nominations for the Handprint on Your Heart badges from each class every week. From these, they select ten pupils to receive the award.

All children have the opportunity to nominate someone for the award—someone who has shown them kindness, love, helped them or generally made them feel good during the week. Well done to the children chosen this week. A list of winners is below.



| | | |
|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| Rosie H 5D | Luna I 1B | Spencer B 5D |
| Sienna W 5D | Alexis 4B | Seamus H 3W |
| Emily M 3B | Daisy A 6O | |

Safeguarding Information

Below are some sources of support with online safety. As children spend more time online, it is important to regularly check privacy settings, monitor app use, and have open conversations about safe and respectful behaviour on the internet.

- **NSPCC – Online Safety Hub**

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Practical advice on apps, parental controls, online risks, and how to talk to children about staying safe online.

- **CEOP (Child Exploitation and Online Protection) – Parents & Carers**

<https://www.ceopeducation.co.uk/parents/>

Guidance on protecting children from online harm, starting conversations, and reporting concerns.

- **UK Safer Internet Centre – Parents and Carers**

<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/parents-and-carers>

Guides to social media, gaming, devices, and conversation starters to help families stay safe online.

- **Kids Online Safety (Government campaign)**

<https://kidsonlinesafety.campaign.gov.uk/>

Clear, up-to-date advice on managing apps, setting parental controls, and supporting children with online issues.

- **Parentkind – Online Safety Toolkit**

<https://www.parentkind.org.uk/online-safety-toolkit>

Helpful resources on social media, screen time, and encouraging healthy digital habits.

Author of the Week

A. M. DASSU



Winner of the Calderdale Book of the Year 2021.



A.M. Dassu was born in the Midlands and, before becoming a writer, studied economics and worked in Project management; she then decided to follow her dream.

Her books are full of hope, as they explore issues and themes which are relevant to today's world including terrorism and refugees.

A.M. Dassu is also the director of Inclusive Minds which is an organisation which focuses on representation in children's literature.

If you like Piers Toroday or Benjamin Dean, you'll love these books!

It is more important than ever for children to see themselves portrayed in literature, to know that they can also aspire and dream.

A. M. Dassu says:

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WELCOME TO SUMMER MUFTI DAY!

WEAR YOUR MOST COLOURFUL
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LAST DAY OF HALF TERM

FRIDAY 22ND MAY



We ask all children (or their parents/carers!) to bring **£1** for the bucket at school drop off – or via the **SumUp** store link if you forget.



If you can support this fun event please do – these mufti days contribute to our overall **FOSJS** fundraising totals to enrich our children's school lives.

Thank you!

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4TH JULY



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Right to the top,
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Uniform Reception—Year 2

| Summer | Start of Pentecost Term (after Easter) - Half Term Advent (Oct) | |
|--------|--|--------------|
| | Dark grey knee length school shorts (formal straight / not <u>jersey</u>) / Dark grey full-length school trousers (formal straight trousers / not jersey) / Dark grey pleated, full or A-line knee-length skirt or pinafore | Any stockist |
| | White polo shirt with or without school crest (worn without school tie) | Any stockist |
| | Dark green and white full gingham dress | Any stockist |
| | Dark grey or white knee / ankle socks or tights (no branded logos) | Any stockist |
| | Dark Green Baseball cap / Kepi cap with or without school crest | Any stockist |
| | Black shoes (no branded logos) | |
| | No all-in ones or playsuits are permitted | |

Uniform Key Stage 2

| Summer | Start of Pentecost Term (after Easter) - Half Term Advent (Oct) | |
|--------|--|------------------------------|
| | Dark grey knee length school shorts (formal straight / not jersey) / Dark grey full-length school trousers (formal straight trousers / not jersey) / Dark grey pleated, full or A-line knee-length skirt or pinafore | Any stockist |
| | White cotton shirt (worn with school tie) | Any stockist |
| | School tie (if wearing a cotton shirt) | Earth Website |
| | White polo shirt with or without school crest (worn without school tie) | Earth Website / Any stockist |
| | Dark green and white full gingham dress | Any stockist |
| | Dark grey or white knee / ankle socks or tights (no branded logos) | Any stockist |
| | Dark Green Baseball cap / Kepi cap with or without school crest | Earth Website / Any stockist |
| | Black shoes (no branded logos) | Any stockist |
| | No all-in ones or playsuits are permitted | |

Jewellery

On health and safety grounds, we do not allow children to wear jewellery in our school. The exceptions to this rule are plain ear studs in pierced ears, or a watch when your child is able to tell the time.

If a child wears any earrings, apart from studs, they will be asked to remove them. Staff cannot remove earrings for children. Please think carefully about this if your child asks to have their ears pierced. The school cannot accept responsibility for any jewellery that may be lost.

Footwear

All children should wear black shoes in school. Open toe sandals, trainers, boots and heels are not permitted.

Hair

On health and safety grounds, shoulder length hair and longer should be tied back neatly, in the school colours (white, dark green or black only). Large hair rosettes and bows are not to be worn.

Pupils should not wear extreme hair fashions, these include dyed or streaked hair, close shaved hair (**even under top layer of longer hair - undercut**) and styles such as spikes, tufts, high tops, flat tops, Mohican haircuts and images or lines cut into the hair. Children's hair length should be no shorter than a number two. The use of hair gels, waxes, oils, mousses and any other styling products is not allowed. If we feel a hairstyle is unsuitable, we will ask for this to be rectified.

Make up / Nails

Make up is not permitted.

Nails are to be kept short and nail varnish is not permitted.

| PE and Games | | |
|--------------|--|---------------|
| | Dark green gym bag with school crest | Earth Website |
| | Black (plain – no branded logos) loose fitting shorts (not cycling) | Any stockist |
| | Green T-shirt with gold school crest | Earth Website |
| | Black (plain – no branded logos) tracksuit bottoms | Any stockist |
| | Black (plain – no branded logos) sweatshirt | Any stockist |
| | Trainers (suitable for sporting activity) | Any stockist |

Communications



Please add
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contacts to ensure messages are not delivered to
your junk/spam emails.



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Email Communications

The office@stjosephschalfont.school email address should be used for all communications to school and for onward delivery to teachers.

Please leave a minimum of 48 hours for replies to email messages and queries. Please note, messages regarding early collection of children should be given at least 24 hours in advance.

Please use the dedicated absence@stjosephschalfont.school email address to ensure your child's absence is recorded. Alternatively you may call 01753 887743 (Option 1) to leave a message on the absence line.

Absence must be reported before 09.00am for each day of absence.

Please be reminded the school gates close at 8.45am. After this time parents must park outside and accompany children to the school office to sign in.

The school office is open at 8.30am and closes at 4.30pm.



Have a lovely weekend. From all at St. Joseph's School .

