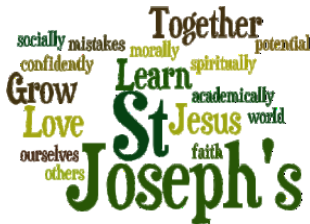


9th May 2025

St Joseph's Catholic Primary Weekly Reminders



*Gospel reading for
4th Sunday of Easter, 11th May
John 10: 27-30*



Headteacher Message

This Wednesday, 7th May 2025, marked the historic beginning of the Conclave, the process in which a new Pope is chosen in Rome. Following our discussions during last week's assembly, I am amazed by the interest shown by the children in this process. Many pupils have approached me to share that black smoke has been seen billowing from the Sistine Chapel—a sign that a new Pope had not yet been chosen. Choosing a new Pope is a challenging task and we were all amazed, I am sure, at the speed at which the new Pope was elected, yesterday. He has taken a new name, Pope Leo XIV, reminding us that Peter changed his birth name from Simon when he became a follower of Christ. This new name will mark the start of our new Pope's journey as the head of the Catholic Church.

Choosing a name can be a challenging task, one that all parents understand. It must be just right for this new person and hold significance in our lives. Perhaps you were named after a relative or a famous person. The new Pope will also have considered his new name very carefully, as this will set the tone for his papacy. A name makes you stand out from everyone else. It is used to identify you, and addressing someone by name shows respect, something each of us needs to feel validated in the world.

Feeling valued and developing a sense of self-worth is something we teach the children every day here at St. Joseph's. Our kindness wall emulates all the kind words and actions our pupils display to show love and respect to others. The kind words I hear on the playground are a shining example to every adult who works in the school. My hope is that our children will continue to lead by example, ensuring that kind words bring happiness and peace to a world where tragedy and war often reign.

As I sit in my office writing this, I have just observed the white smoke exit the chimney above the Sistine Chapel. A new Pope has been chosen. I pray that the Cardinals have chosen wisely, selecting a new Pope who, like St. Peter, will lead the world with love.

Congratulations and God bless you, Pope Leo XIV.

Attendance : Week Ending 2nd May 2025

Reg	% Week	Reg	% Week	% Year group YTD
RC	96.1	RMG	95.7	94.7
1D	93.6	1B	94.6	95.8
2WE	93.6	2E	94.6	94.8
3S	95.2	3B	92.6	94.3
4B	96.5	4G/F	94.2	94.4
5F	99.2	5D	96.0	94.9
6O	98.7	6S/T	96.3	96.0
Top Reg	5F			

*The highest class attendance for last week
was 5F with 99.2 %*

Awards week ending 9th May

Kindness Badges

Chloe Peacock, Ismael Doha,
Jacob Fowler, Alice Young,
Ioana Condurache,
Cleo Lawson,
Evie-Mae Boardman,
Maahi Sharma,
Spencer Annis



Weekly attendance bag

This week the attendance award goody bag was won by Taleya Daly—a nice treat for her on her birthday too.

The award bag for last week was won by Tom Corcoran .



Awards week ending 2nd May



Class Champions

RMG	Delilah Coomber	RC	Patrick Sweeney
1B	Musa Ali Khan	1D	Alfie Long
2E	Sophie Roper	2WE	Chimdi Otuonye
3B	Oliver Teasdale	3S	Julia Gosling
4B	Ayan Sharma	4FG	John Ross Donovan
5M	Yazdan Gomroky	5B	Charlotte De Charmant
6O	Jeevan Bancy	6ST	Andres Ciomaga

Rainbow Awards



Molly Marsh Emilia Ruivo Jacob Fowler Millie Cloherty
 Pablo Hernandez de la Cuesta Cameron Annis Lucas Hayes
 Regan Hassett Ave-Maria Ward Bailey Warner Leo Hendricks
 Miles Whittingham Leo Phillips Lionel D'Souza

HOUSEPOINTS THIS WEEK (RUNNING TOTALS)

St David

72 (255)

St St George

63 (175)

St Andrew

61 (137)

St Patrick

65 (168)

Reminders for w/c 12th May 2025

Monday	Y6 SATS GPS
Tuesday	Y6 SATS Reading
Wednesday	Y6 SATS Maths 1 and 2
Thursday	Y6 SATS Maths 3 Y1 PE AFTERNOON
Friday	Y5 PE AFTERNOON/ PIZZA MAKING ACTIVITY

Links to specific newsletters

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Key Messages for Parents

Playground Equipment (donations)

You may have noticed or your children in KS1 may have told you that we have been working on enhancing playground activities for the children. If you are clearing out any of the following items we would warmly welcome them to continue to provide this engaging area for the children:

Lego / small cars or trucks / barbie type dolls or any equipment related to them / building blocks / colouring materials / Stickle bricks / farm animals / dinosaurs / action figures.

We will over the next few weeks enhance the KS2 playground with additional materials also.



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

