

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School & Nursery

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20th October 2025

Thank you to all parents who attended our Parent Teacher Consultations this week. Please note, Reception Class Parent Teacher Consultations will take place on 5th November.

As we move towards the colder months of the year, children should not wear summer uniforms upon our return to school after the half term break.

It was so wonderful to see so many parents at our **School Association AGM last week**. I know there are exciting plans for the forthcoming year. **Mr Stubbings and Mrs Wheeler in their roles as CEO and Development Director (for our Catholic Academy Trust)** respectively have asked me to share their thanks for such a warm reception.

Our annual Sport a thon begins on Monday. I know there has been so much work behind the scenes from our School Association. Please attach Flo scan of leaflet.

Week beginning 20th October, children in Years 1-6 should wear their PE kits each day as we there will be PE activities each day. As always, all funds raised go towards our school budget and ensuring we can offer the very best to all our children.

Canon Kevin will be celebrating in school with a Harvest Festival celebration on Tuesday 21st at 9:00. As in previous years, we will collect donations of dried, long-life groceries, toiletries and cleaning products for the homeless. We would like to send our generous donations at the end of next week. **Please attach Selina's poster**

Mrs Moulinet, our Lay Chaplain has asked us to share the following in our newsletter.

Dear all,

On the first day of half-term, 25 Oct, we celebrate the 55th anniversary of Saint John Southworth's canonisation.

If you wish to mention our wonderful patron saint in your school community, please find this [link to help you share his amazing example](#).

In times of challenges, his life is an inspiration.

With my prayers and best wishes to all,

Caroline Moulinet

Lay Chaplain | Saint John Southworth Catholic Academy
Trust

I would like to draw your attention to an upcoming speaker who has been invited to our school to share

We're delighted to share that **Lola Ogundele**, a local mum and entrepreneur who created her own **Black doll with natural hair**, will be visiting our school as part of our **Black History Month** celebrations on **Monday 20th October at 2:20pm**. Lola will be talking about her inspiring journey — from her idea to creating a successful business that celebrates diversity and representation. Please see the **article and video below** to learn more about her story and her amazing work. Lola will be sharing her own PowerPoint and have a display of her dolls that children will be able to see

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and touch. <https://metro.co.uk/2023/10/16/my-daughter-couldnt-find-a-black-afro-doll-so-we-opened-our-own-shop-full-of-them-19497935/>
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/uk-england-london-66546551>

Mrs Deacy and I are looking forward to our School Council Trip to Houses of Parliament on Tuesday 21st. I am sure they will be able to share their experiences from the day with the rest of the school in our assembly next week. Please note, children who are attending this visit will need to wear their school uniform for the day. Please find dates attached for our Christmas celebrations below.

Carols at Church, years 3, 4 5 and 6	Monday 15 th December – Church of Our Lady @ 2pm
Reception Nativity performance	Thursday 11 th December @10am
Nursery Nativity performance	Thursday 11 th December @ 2pm
KS1 Nativity Y1	Tuesday 9 th December @ 9:30am
KS1 Nativity Y2	Tuesday 9 th December @ 2:15pm

May God bless you and keep you safe.

Dr. N Viana and Mr K Bowles

MERITS AND AWARDS 10/10/2025		
NAME	MERITS	AWARDS
PINK1 Miss (Dorota)Wegrzynowicz	Havanna	Pink 1
PINK2 Miss Jackson & Mr Starbuck	Loukas	Alba
PINK3 Miss S Ward	Victor	Pink 3
BLUE1 Miss Donnellan	Alyssa	Gabriel
BLUE3 Miss Armstrong	Nevaeh	Daria
VIOLET 1 Mrs Pini	Louisa	Magdalena
VIOLET 3 Miss A Ward	Eloise	Teddy

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY 10/10/2025

YEAR GROUP	Percentage Attendance (target >97%)	Late %
RECEPTION 1	100.0%	0.0%

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RECEPTION 2	97.1%	0.9%
Y1 PINK 1	97.9%	0.4%
Y1/2 PINK 2	96.6%	0.7%
Y2 PINK 3	98.1%	0.2%
Y3 BLUE 1	97.2%	0.1%
Y4 BLUE 3	97.5%	1.0%
Y5 VIOLET 1	96.1%	0.7%
Y6 VIOLET 3	96.0%	1.1%
Totals	93.4%	2.8%

MERITS AND AWARDS 17/10/2025		
NAME	MERITS	AWARDS
PINK1 Miss (Dorota)Wegrzynowicz	Matthew	Ambrose
PINK2 Miss Jackson & Mr Starbuck	Giacomo	Sasha
PINK3 Miss S Ward	Maria	Philipp
BLUE1 Miss Donnellan	Kieran	Lukas
BLUE3 Miss Armstrong	Taisiia	Henri
VIOLET 1 Mrs Pini	Alex	Elvis
VIOLET 3 Miss A Ward	Jo	Sonny

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RECEPTION 1	97.5%	0.0%
RECEPTION 2	95.9%	0.5%
Y1 PINK 1	99.1%	0.4%
Y1/2 PINK 2	98.5%	0.0%

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Y2 PINK 3	98.1%	0.0%
Y3 BLUE 1	96.1%	1.4%
Y4 BLUE 3	97.4%	1.1%
Y5 VIOLET 1	98.1%	0.6%
Y6 VIOLET 3	97.2%	4.8%
Totals	97.5%	1.0%

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