



# St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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*Jesus said: 'I have come that they may have life and have it to the full'.*

It's the bumper Auction Newsletter! All the info you need to know about St Joseph's biggest fundraiser of the year!

You can get your FREE tickets here: [Ticket Link](#)

## **Online Auction - is live!**

There are many amazing items up for grabs on the online auction, we have over 50 lots donated by local businesses. Big thank you to the mighty donation team who has worked tirelessly to receive these prizes and parents for your donations. Bidding will close on Saturday 18th April (the evening of the auction) at 11:00 pm. There is the ability to buy now so you don't have to deal with being gazumped at the end of the evening! Remember, to bid on an online auction item you must register for an Auctria account which is separate from getting a ticket

Check out the auction website here: [Auction Website](#)

## **Art Preview - TODAY Friday 17th April 3:15 School Hall**

Come and view the amazing work the art team have put together with the children over the past few weeks. View all the class artwork that will be available to bid on at the auction, straight after school pick up. Also take a sneak peak at some of the beautiful online auction hampers that are up for bidding!

## **We Need Food Donations!**

It wouldn't be a St. Joseph's Auction without food brought in by our parents. Please sign up to bring a dish to share, or some nibbles. Please ensure the food you bring is nut free. Food can be brought to the school hall on Saturday afternoon from 2:00 pm

## **The Auction - Doors Open 6:30 Saturday 18th April**

Tickets are now available on the 'Ticket' page of our Auction Website. The items you will be bidding for on April 18th - you can see all of the items going under the hammer for bidding on the Auctria website.

## Frequently Asked Questions

**What does the money we raise go to?** This is our major fundraiser of the year - without your participation the school cannot operate at the capacity it does now. This year's auction funds will go towards replacing musical instruments for the students, and refurbishing the EY playground as well as updating some of the sports supplies and technology at school.

**Do I need to get a ticket?** YES - this helps us to estimate how many people will be attending and will help us with food, bar and room layout.

**What time does the bidding start?** Doors open at 6:30 and we will get started with the programming at 7:00

**What time does the auction finish?** Because of the nature of the event it is hard to say, but the goal is that all items will have been auctioned off by 11:30

**Can I invite friends and family to the auction?** YES absolutely - but please ensure they have a ticket so we can account for numbers.

**Will there be food available?** YES - fill out the form above and bring a dish to share! We will have pot luck food options available, usually a mix of pastas, salads, breads, cheese, desserts etc. We will also have a cash bar available as well.

**Can I bid on an item even if I am not attending the live auction?** YES we will be accepting proxy bids. If you cannot attend, or need to leave early, let a friend who will be attending know the max bid you want to submit and they can bid on your behalf. You must still be registered in Auctria, and they will bid using your paddle number. .

**Can I pay for my items on the night?** YES You can either pay with card or bank transfer on the evening of the auction. It is worth noting that credit cards do take fees, so bank transfer is preferred.

**There is an item on the online auction that would be perfect for my mother/sister /neighbour/best friend! Can they bid on it?** YES friends of St. Joseph's can bid but they will need to sign up for an account on Auctria. Please ensure they include a phone number or email so we can get in touch with them if they place the winning bid.

**Can I pick up the items I won after the auction?** YES all physical items and gift cards/vouchers can be collected on the evening of the voucher. Otherwise, items will be available in the office the week following the office.

**Is there a theme? What do I wear?** NO, there is no theme this year. You can breathe a sigh of relief and wear what you like, though it is a fun excuse to dress up.

Many thanks!

SJSA Auction Team 2026