



# St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School and Nursery

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

6<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Dear Children, Parents, Staff and Governors,

Last week our **Year 5 and 6 Girls represented our school in the Westminster Girls Football** Tournament at Paddington Rec and re-ignited our winning streak with a gold award for their efforts. The girls showed excellent fair play, support for each other as well as a determination to try their very best, even in the face of some challenging opposition. Our Year 3 and 4 Girls will represent us this week and we wish them every success both in their development as a team and as individuals. In an effort to continue to encourage our children in their sporting endeavours, please also find attached a cricket club for the Half-Term holidays.

I am also delighted to inform you that, after the February Half-Term, **Miss Brennan will be returning to Pink 2**. Her recovery is ongoing but steady and Miss Brennan has asked me to pass on her heartfelt thanks to all of you for your kindness and tokens of appreciation. We are all looking forward to welcoming her back.

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School is looking for a **foundation local governor** to serve on the local governing body. School governors are volunteers who make a significant contribution to education. It is a challenging and rewarding role which offers the opportunity to make a real difference to young people, to give something back and to use and develop skills in a new environment. Foundation local governors are appointed by the Archbishop. For further information about the role, please contact [office@stjosephsschool.org.uk](mailto:office@stjosephsschool.org.uk). Please follow this link for further information and see the attached

<https://education.rcdow.org.uk/governance-admissions/applying-to-become-a-governor/>

**Uniform sale on 23<sup>rd</sup> February between 8:30 and 9:30** – Please drop donations to school office.

Forty days after Christmas, **on 2nd February, the church celebrates the Presentation of the Lord**. Mary and Joseph, according to Jewish custom, bring their son Jesus to the Temple and we take down our Nativity scenes, cribs and stables, bring candles to the church to be blessed, share pancakes with our family and pray that we are given the guidance from Christ our Lord to follow Him on his journey to the cross. It is called Candlemas because this festival is when all the candles used in the church during the year are blessed. Please do share the prayer below with your families:

Lord,

Your son, our beloved Lord Jesus was presented in the temple 40 days after his birth. He was recognised by Simeon and Anna, and welcomed as the promised Messiah. May we like them, behold the glory of the Lord Jesus. Grant that we may stand before you with hearts cleansed by your forgiving love.

Amen

With best wishes,

Dr N. Viana & Mr K Bowles

MERITS AND AWARDS		
NAME	MERIT	AWARDS
REC1 Miss Chani	Hugh	Karrel
REC2 Miss Diriye	Diego	Sophia
PINK1 Miss (Dorota)Wegrzynowicz	Max	Maxim
PINK2 Mr Starbuck & Mrs Morrin	Xavier	Giovanni
PINK3 Miss S Ward	Mateo	Cecilia
BLUE1 Miss Donnellan	Nahla	Lucia
BLUE3 Miss Armstrong	Louis	Alex
VIOLET 1 Miss Lawson	Caroline	Mariam
VIOLET 3 Miss A Ward	Miguel	Prince

### ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

YEAR GROUP	Percentage Attendance (target >97%)	Late %
RECEPTION 1	94.4%	0.0%
RECEPTION 2	98.8%	0.0%
Y1 PINK 1	96.9%	0.3%
Y1/2 PINK 2	91.3%	3.0%
Y2 PINK 3	91.5%	1.1%
Y3 BLUE 1	99.7%	1.3%
Y4 BLUE 3	94.3%	3.6%
Y5 VIOLET 1	94.8%	1.7%
Y6 VIOLET 3	90.7%	1.4%
Totals	94.7%	1.39%

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2024

#### February

#### Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>

Y5 Climate Workshop

Girl's football (10 children) Y3 & Y4 @ Paddington Rec'

#### Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>

London Youth Games teams from Y5&6

competing @Harrow Sports Centre (12:30pm – 5pm)

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>**

Y5 team Maths Challenge @ Christ's Hospital school

**Friday 9<sup>th</sup>**

School ends 3:30pm

**Half term**

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 16<sup>th</sup> (Ash Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> – Lent begins)**

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup>**

School returns

Scholastic book Fair in Monday – Thursday

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>**

Lent assembly with Father Alex

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>**

BWW MIND Sleep workshop Y1-Y6

Swimming Gala Trials Y4, Y5, and Y6 (selected)

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Uniform Sale 8:30-9:30am

**Monday 26<sup>th</sup>**

Y3/Blue 1 visiting Forest School am

Y4/Blue 3 visiting Forest School pm

**March**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup>

**Y4 Reconciliation with Fr Alex**

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup>**

World Book Day and Dress Up day

**Friday 8<sup>th</sup>**

Pink 1 visiting Forest School am

Pink 2 visiting Forest School pm

**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup>**

Y6 Reconciliation with Fr Alex

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup>**

Y5 Vue Cinema Trip

Parent Teacher Consultations day 1

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>**

Pink 3 Forest School pm

Parent Teacher Consultations day 2

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup>**

School photographer in – individual & sibling photos

Living Eggs arrive in EYFS

**Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup>**

St Joseph's Assembly with Father Alex KS1 & KS2

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Rec1 visiting Forest Schools am

Rec 2 visiting Forest Schools pm

**Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

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