

# St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School & Nursery

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17<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Dear Pupils, Staff, Parents and Governors,

This week, Y6 have demonstrated determination and wonderful positivity throughout their KS2 SATS. We are immensely proud of every single one of you and we look forward to your many and future successes in Y6. Well done! Our KS1 children will begin their assessments next week and I know that they will also shine. Thank you to parents for your ongoing support.

Our children continued to learn about Faith in Action with CAFOD workshops this week. Thank you to Miss Donnellan for organizing. So many children have approached me this week with charitable fund-raising initiatives, spurred on by the CAFOD mission to follow Pope Francis's words: "Only a gaze transformed by charity can enable the dignity of others to be recognised and, as a consequence, the poor to be acknowledged and valued in their dignity, respected in their identity and culture, and thus truly integrated into society." Our children also showed wonderful reverence and respect during the Crowning of Our Lady on Tuesday. Listening to Our Lady's many honourable titles, the children were reminded that as our Holiest of Mothers, we can always turn to Mary for comfort and to intercede for us in times of trouble. Thank you to Fr. Alex for sharing the Litany of Loreto with us and thank you also to all of you for bringing in such a beautiful array of flowers to bestow upon the statue of Our Lady.

Next week, our Y3 and Y4 pupils will be deepening their knowledge of other faiths, visiting the BAPS Shri Swaminarayan Mandir, the Hindu temple in Neasden. I know that they will display reverence, respect and understanding throughout their visit and I look forward to joining them on this learning journey. Our Y5 Pupil Chaplaincy Team Members are also visiting Westminster Cathedral on Thursday, sharing a Retreat Day with other Y5 Pupil Chaplaincy Team Members from the schools in the Saint John Southworth Catholic Academy Trust. This is a wonderful opportunity for our primary schools to collaborate together and also for our children to foster meaningful links with each other.

Following our Saint John Southworth Catholic Academy Trust Ethos Day, I am delighted to share our Living Values with you. These encompass three main principles held dear by Saint John Southworth, Dignity, Service and Perseverance and will continue to be shared with our children, our staff and our parents. They are the product of a Retreat Day hosted by the church of Our Lady of Victories in which representatives from all of the schools within the SJSCAT as well as 4 other local Catholic schools, worked together to formulate a shared understanding of Saint John Southworth's life and work. Governors, head-teachers and parents worked on devising a set of values, in keeping with Saint John Southworth's selfless dedication to others, that we would then guide us as a family of schools. They are now beautifully summarized and displayed in our Foyer and have now also been added to our website:

**Dignity:** We recognize and nurture the unique identity of each child and of all creation.

**Service:** We therefore answer the call to serve others in word and deed.

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**Perseverance:** We rise to the challenge of giving hope to ourselves and to others.

MERITS AND AWARDS		
NAME	MERITS	AWARDS
REC1 Miss Chani	Karrel	Lucas
REC2 Miss Diriye	Luz	Gabriella
PINK1 Miss (Dorota)Wegrzynowicz	Manu	Melina
PINK2 Mr Starbuck & Mrs Morrin	Oliver	Mia
PINK3 Miss S Ward	Taisiia	Gene
BLUE1 Miss Donnellan	Alexi	Nahla
BLUE3 Miss Armstrong	Harrison	Fernando
VIOLET 1 Miss Lawson	Isabelle	Lara
VIOLET 3 Miss A Ward	Lev	Y6

## ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

YEAR GROUP	Percentage Attendance (target >97%)	Late %
RECEPTION 1	94.4%	0.7%
RECEPTION 2	94.8%	0.7%
Y1 PINK 1	96.1%	0.7%
Y1/2 PINK 2	95.1%	2.3%
Y2 PINK 3	95.9%	1.2%
Y3 BLUE 1	95.1%	1.4%
Y4 BLUE 3	95.0%	1.3%
Y5 VIOLET 1	94.3%	1.2%
Y6 VIOLET 3	94.5%	1.2%
Totals	95.0%	1.2%

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2024

### May

#### Monday 20<sup>th</sup>

Year 2 SATs week

Reception trip to the Transport Museum

#### Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>

Y3 & Y4 Visiting Hindu Temple

Y6 parents PGL meeting @3:30pm Sharp Suite

#### Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Y5 pupil chaplaincy team members – retreat day @ Westminster Cathedral

Y4 visiting library pm

#### Friday 24<sup>th</sup>

Astronomy workshops (whole school)

### HALF TERM

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May

### June

#### Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Term begins

Catch up dental screening for Reception class.

Nursery & Reception – library visit

#### Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>

Meeting for new parents starting in Reception and Nursery 2024 (invitation only)

#### Monday 10<sup>th</sup>

Y1 Phonics week

Y6 residential trip to Osmington Bay

Y3 visiting library pm

#### Friday 14<sup>th</sup>

Y5 visiting Science Museum

Y6 return from Osmington Bay

#### Monday 17<sup>th</sup>

KS1 & Year 3 Dance workshop

Blue 3 visiting Forest School am

Blue 1 visiting Forest School pm

#### Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>

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Pink 3 visiting Forest School pm

## Friday 21<sup>st</sup>

Pink 1 visiting Forest School am

Pink 2 visiting Forest School pm

Auction Class promises.

## Monday 24<sup>th</sup>

Alex Haswell Education psychologist - Q+A session for parents @9am

## Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>

9am Mass to celebrate Y3 children's recent First Holy Communion  
(Refreshments for families)

## Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>

Nursery Sports Morning 9am – 11am

## Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>

Sports Day Rec, KS1 & KS2 times tbc

## Friday 28<sup>th</sup>

Rec 1 visiting Forest School am

Rec 2 visiting Forest School pm

## July

### Friday 5<sup>th</sup>

Y6 Disco

5pm – 7pm

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>

Summer Fair 12- 4pm

### Monday 8<sup>th</sup>

Pink1 visiting the Royal Mews

### Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>

10am Year 6 Leavers Mass @ Church of Our Lady.

### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>

Pink 3 visiting Royal Mews

### Friday 12<sup>th</sup>

Pink 2 visiting Royal Mews

### Monday 15<sup>th</sup>

Y6 dress rehearsal to rest of school

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## Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>

End of year certificate assembly for Nursery and Reception @10am

Year 6 Performance to parents @ 5pm

## Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>

End of year certificate assembly Year 1 – 5 @10am

## Friday 19<sup>th</sup>

Year 6 Leavers Assembly (Y4 & Y5 included)

**School closes at 1:30pm**