



ST JOSEPH'S  
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 24th October 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

A lovely Autumnal week to finish the first half-term of this Academic Year. We hope all our families have a lovely week off from school. Enjoy Halloween and Bonfire Night celebrations and remember to keep safe. Thank you to all the parents that attended the Parent's Evenings earlier this week. We look forward to helping all children grow in their learning in the next half-term. See you when school reopens for children on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2025.

**Next Week Headlines:**

- Monday – Return to school
- Tuesday- Closing Date for vacant TA position in school.
- Wednesday- Y5 START Swimming lessons
- Thursday-Link Governor Visit to school
- Friday- Interviews for vacant TA position, School Choir at lunchtime, 442 to work with Y1 & Y2

**Redcar and Cleveland Togetherness resources a reminder:**

R&C Early Help fund sponsorship of togetherness.co.uk (previously inourplace.co.uk) to make invaluable NHS learning and content free for local parents. Togetherness is an online learning environment developed by psychologists and health practitioners providing accessible learning about emotional health and wellbeing, proven to positively impact mental health, behaviour and relationships.



The access code for parents/carers/ grandparents is **lemontop**.

Attached to this week's email is an update bulleting for you to have a look at.

**Odd Socks Day Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

Odd Socks Day 2025 is taking place on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November. Odd Socks Day is delivered in partnership with CBeebies and CBBC star Andy Day and his band, Andy and the Odd Socks.



The Andy and the Odd Socks team came up with the idea for Odd Socks Day with us in 2017, and we work together every year to deliver the all-inclusive message the event encourages. This year's message is **'power for good'** which is something we value deeply at St Joseph's. This marks the start of anti-bullying week in school. All children can wear odd socks- the odder the better!!

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### **Parking Outside the School A reminder**

Please can I ask all carers to not park directly opposite the school entrance. We have two minibuses that need a slightly larger turning circle and sometimes are unable to do so because of cars parked opposite the gates. We have noticed some improvements so thank you ever so much.

### **Poppy Appeal 2025**

We have taken our delivery of poppies and some other Poppy based items (including snap bands, bracelets and reflectors). The school council will sell these every breaktime starting on Monday. All donations will be sent to the Royal British Legion.



### **Children in Distress Christmas Shoebox Appeal Collection Date**

A leaflet has been emailed to all parents regarding this year's shoe box appeal. This outlines all that is required to make a shoebox gift. **We ask that all shoeboxes are returned to school by Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> November.** That way, we are able to hold a celebration of all of the wonderful kind acts of service that our children have done before they are packed on a vehicle and taken to Romania at the end of that week.

### **School Council:**

The Cake Sale raised £87 today. Thank you for your kindness and generosity. They are wanting to use this money to make a fairy garden in memory of Mrs Mead.

### **PE timetable for next Half-Term:**

- Monday - Y2 & Y6
- Tuesday - Y3, Y4, Y1
- Wednesday - FS2, Y2, Y6, Y5 swimming
- Thursday - Y3, Y4
- Friday - Y1, Y5

This is except for the first two weeks when Y5 will be a Tuesday and not Friday and swimming every Wednesday.

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### **Stars of the Week:**

This week certificates have been awarded to children who have worked on the value of **creativity** within school

- LJ- Erin H-G
- FS1- Ryleigh H & Jacob L
- FS2- Double next time due to sickness in class
- Y1- Jaxon B & Natalie P
- Y2- Connie M & Parker M
- Y3- Hannah V & Amelia R
- Y4- Frankie M & Charlie S
- Y5- Gabriel T & Morgan J
- Y6- Imogen T & Roy P

### **Final Thoughts/Prayers:**



Heavenly Father,  
In the mighty name of Jesus,  
Fill my heart with joy this October.  
Let me find delight in Your creation,  
Your love, and Your promises, regardless of what I face.  
"The joy of the Lord is your strength."  
Let Your joy be the song that carries me through each day.  
Amen.



**Have a great half-term week and see you back again on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November.**

Warmest wishes,

Mr Geaves

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