



Friday 8th May 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells the disciples that, when he returns to heaven, he will ask the Father to send the Holy Spirit to be their helper. This is not just a historical event. The Holy Spirit is God's loving gift to every believer, helping us understand Jesus' words and reminding us that God is always close to us.

The Holy Spirit is our helper, who guides us to live more like Jesus – to grow in faith and to be filled with the peace and goodness that come from God.

Who needs help in our lives now and how can we help the school community of St Joseph's to grow and grow?

Dates for your Diary Next week

- Monday- Thursday Y6 SATS tests
- Thursday- Wear It Green Day is on **Thursday 14 May**, anything green is acceptable including school uniform.
- Friday- Y4 Auditions for St Joseph's Got Talent.

Parents & Toddlers Tuesday Afternoons

The next Parent and Toddler session is on the afternoon of Tuesday 19th May. If you know anyone with young toddlers who would like to take part in some wonderful activities with Mrs Breckon let them know that anyone is most welcome to attend.

Message to Y6 Families:

As you know, the SATs exams are next week, and your children have been working hard to prepare for them. As teachers, we want to ensure that our children are well-rested and relaxed leading up to the exams, as this can help positively impact their performance.

We understand that these exams can be stressful for both parents and children, which is why we would like to encourage you to ensure that your children are getting enough sleep and rest leading up to the exams. The last thing we want is for your children to be tired and stressed out on exam day.

We also recommend that your children take this weekend to enjoy themselves and relax. Whether it's spending time with family and friends, pursuing hobbies or interests, or simply taking some time to unwind, letting them have a fun and enjoyable weekend can significantly help reduce stress levels.

Please do not put any undue pressure on your children during this time, as they are already under enough pressure to perform. Instead, shower them with love, support, and encouragement, as this can make all the difference in the world.

Thank you for your continued support, and best of luck to your children!

Christ be our light, in life, love and learning

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St Joseph has Got Talent- A Summer Term Talent Show-It's back!!

More exciting news and because of pupil voice the school will be holding a talent show after Easter. After the initial auditions we will host a grand final and be entertained by the variety of talent our children have to offer.

Audition Timetable

- **Friday 15th May Y4**
- **Friday 5th June Y3**
- **Friday 12th June Y2**
- **Friday 19th June Y1**
- **Friday 26th June EYFS**



Children can take part individually or in small teams. We look forward to the Grand Final which will be in July.

Important Assessments: A little Reminder

Y4 Multiplication Tables Check Week of Monday 1st June 2026- Friday 12th June 2026

The children in Year 4 will take part in their Multiplication Tables Check online in the first two weeks of next term.

Y1 Phonics Assessment Week of Monday 8th June 2026

Y1 children will take their phonics assessment during this week. It is important that children are in school each day so that we can administer these assessments effectively.

Ice pop Fridays are back! This will run for 5 weeks (Friday 24th April – Friday 22nd May). These will be 50p each per week. Please send money in on a weekly basis.

Fundraising Event in Summer Term Friday 22nd May



At St Joseph's over the past couple of years, we have raised money for charities and causes close to our heart. This year we would like to continue this tradition by going back to how it started with a Charity Family Colour Run.

We would like to raise funds for the local charity Zoe's Place by having this colourful, messy and fun event!

The event will take place on the school field on the afternoon of Friday 22nd May (1:30pm) and it is a family event so parents, siblings etc are welcome to join in the fun. Run around and get messy together!

On the day, all participants will need a white or light coloured T-shirt to show the colour off to the best effect. Sunglasses will also be needed but we will be providing a pair for all children taking part - adults get any leftovers! More details will be sent closer to the time.

Our younger children who attend Little Joey's or morning nursery are very welcome to come back with a parent/guardian to take part if they wish.

This year we will be raising the money for Zoe's Place by asking for donations. We would appreciate anything you can give and if you can round up a couple of donations from family and friends, all the better!

We will be able to accept these donations either in cash sent into school or via Just Giving.
https://www.justgiving.com/page/st-josephs-loftus-1?utm_medium=FA&utm_source=CL



We would appreciate any donations by Friday 5th June

Stars of the Week:

This week certificates have been awarded to the following children:

- LJ- Bobby G
- FS1- Luca H & Rhiannon C – Last week Erin H-G & Jacob L
- FS2- Delilah R & Florence D
- Y1- Jaxon B & Lilly G
- Y2- Louis M & B Connie M
- Y3- Isaac R & Rosie D
- Y4- Archie H & Phoebe M
- Y5- Ronnie M & Kaidan H
- Y6- Abi W & Jack B

Final Thoughts/Prayers

Dear Lord Jesus,
please send your Holy Spirit into our lives to be our helper and to guide us,
so that we can be a great help to those around us.
Amen.

Have a wonderful weekend when it comes.

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Mr Geaves
Executive Head Teacher