



Friday 15th May 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus is telling his Father in heaven that he has now completed what was asked of him. Then, Jesus prays for his friends. This reminds us that Jesus prays for all his friends, which includes you and me too.

This takes place after the last supper and, very soon, Jesus will be arrested. So before leaving his friends he is preparing them for the difficult time to come. Jesus wants his friends to stay united with one another and with God - forever.

Friendship is one of life's great blessings and Jesus' friendship is also offered to each one of us. When we have good friendships, we can support each other, have fun together, and share our joys and challenges. We can also learn from each other and grow in our faith. Why not phone or message a friend you haven't been in touch for a while this weekend.

Dates for your Diary Next week

- Tuesday Afternoon - Parent and Toddler Session
- Friday- Colour Run Afternoon

Future Dates for Your Diary Next Half-Term

There is always a lot going on next half-term here are some of the highlights with Parent Events highlighted in yellow.

- Wednesday 3rd June Y5/6 Cricket Competition
- Thursday 4th June Y5/6 Parents Information Meeting Edinburgh Residential Trip
- Friday 5th June Y2 School Trip, Y3/4 Athletics Competition
- Wednesday 10th June – Friday 12th June Y5/6 Residential Trip
- Friday 12th June Y4 Snappy Musicals Event 2026
- Sunday 14th June First Holy Communion Mass (photos on Monday)
- Tuesday 16th June Wheelchair Basketball KS2
- Thursday 18th June Animex Academy Challenge Y3
- Friday 19th June Someone Special Afternoon
- Wednesday 24th June Sports Day
- Thursday 25th June Governing Body Meeting
- Thursday 2nd July Summer Fair Afternoon
- Friday 3rd July Y6 Sleepover
- Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th July Y6 Transition Days at Sacred Heart School
- Monday 6th and Tuesday 7th July Y6 Transition Days at Freebrough Academy
- Tuesday 7th July Y5 School Trip- Blakey
- Wednesday 8th July Y4 School Trip- Lets Moor Event
- Tuesday 14th July FS2 Graduation Event with Parents 2pm
- Wednesday 15th July Y6 Performance & Awards After School Parents Invited 1.45pm

Christ be our light, in life, love and learning

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New Parent Council- Please volunteer if you can.

Next half-term I would like to set up a new Parent Council for the school. The idea of this is an opportunity for parents to meet with myself and discuss what is going well at the school and what might be improved. This council will meet at least once a month and following each meeting I will let the whole school community know what has been discussed and decided. Ideally, I would like a parent representative from each of the classes so that we can discuss the whole school. If you might be interested in joining this group look out for a letter when we return in June.

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 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: Next Half-Term

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

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.

Sports Day Wednesday 24th June 2026

Advanced Notice that the Sports Day Competitions will take place on Wednesday 25th June 2026. Early Years will be at 10am in the morning and then the Y1-6 Competition will start at 1.45pm.

FS2 Graduation

This special event will take place on Tuesday 14th July at 2pm.

Y6 Leavers Events:

Friday 3rd July Y6 Leaver's Sleepover in School

Wednesday 15th July End of Year Production & Awards 1.45pm

Fundraising Event in Summer Term Friday 22nd May- Separate Email has been sent.



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- George R & Etta R
- FS1-Coby B & Calvin M
- FS2- William D & Alara S
- Y1- Phoebe S & Alastair F
- Y2- Sebastian M-T & Charlie S
- Y3- Georgina T & Poppy H
- Y4- Stanley B & Alex M
- Y5- Cimmera B & Morgan J
- Y6- The Whole class- of course its been SATS week

Final Thoughts/Prayers

Pray for your friends and your family and remember that many of them will be praying for you too.

Have a wonderful weekend whether its Football filled or Eurovision Party time.

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