



ST JOSEPH'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Friday 12th June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to start this week's newsletter by passing on our deepest condolences and prayers from everyone at St Joseph's to the family of Alfie Sivills, a past pupil of the school, who tragically died at the beginning of the week aged just 17.

He is remembered with great fondness by staff who taught and cared for him whilst he was here and his family and friends will remain in our prayers at this difficult time.

We know that this news will affect members of our community in different ways. Appropriate support is available to any children who may require it and we encourage anyone who may be struggling to reach out to school for help and support.

We ask that the family's privacy is respected as they grieve.

Dates for your Diary Next Week

- Sunday 14th June First Holy Communion Mass (photos on Monday)
- Monday 15th June Y6 Sacred Heart Transition Parent Meetings
- Tuesday 16th June Wheelchair Basketball KS2
- Wednesday 17th June Y6 Led Quiz Night 5pm
- Thursday 18th June Animex Academy Challenge Y3
- Friday 19th June Someone Special Afternoon

Please can Y6 make sure they are in full school uniform for their class photo. **NO PE KITS ON MONDAY FOR Y6.** The First Holy Communion children will pop on their outfits again for the photograph.

Class Allocations for September 2026

Following staff consultation, I am now able to inform parents of where teachers will be in September 2026. We are delighted that Mrs Fleming will be returning to teach full time following her maternity leave this year.

- ❖ Nursery Miss Pollock
- ❖ Reception Mrs Chisman (3 days) & Mr Marsden (2 Days)
- ❖ Year 1 Miss Ogden
- ❖ Year 2 Miss Taylor
- ❖ Year 3 Miss Scarff
- ❖ Year 4 Miss Ayton
- ❖ Year 5 Miss Evans
- ❖ Year 6 Mrs Fleming

Children will have an opportunity to meet with their new teacher on before we break up for the end of the Summer Term.

Y6 Led Quiz Night

Fancy testing your general knowledge? Year 6 are hosting a family quiz on Wednesday 17th June 5.30pm to raise funds towards their leavers' celebration campout!

Max team size is 5. Entry is £1 per person.

Will your team be crowned champions or become winners of the wooden spoon?

Anyone can come not just limited to Y6 families- the perfect warm up to the first England game!

Christ be our light, in life, love and learning

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Someone Special Day LAST CHANCE FOR TICKETS is MONDAY

Our next 'Someone Special' event will take place on Friday 19th June at 1.30pm or 2.15pm.

Tickets are priced at £3 each which entitles 1 adult to receive a slice of Victoria Sponge cake from Stonehouse Bakery and tea/coffee and 1 child to receive a cake and juice.

Additional children can be added to an adult ticket for an extra £1 each (eg. 1 adult, 2 children =£4) and additional adults can be added for £2 each (eg. 2 adults, 1 child = £5).

Tickets will be on sale from Monday 1st June until 3.30pm Monday 15th June from Miss Ayton. Please note this will be a ticketed event only to enable us to cater for the correct numbers. If you have any dietary requirements or a preference for a specified time sitting, please let us know when purchasing tickets.

Summer Fair – 2nd July 1-3.30pm

Wow what a Summer Fair we have lined up for you!

Rainbow Tombola/Non-uniform Day This year we are having a Rainbow Tombola at our Summer Fair. Thursday 2nd will be non-uniform in exchange for any item towards our rainbow tombola. To ensure a balance of colours, please see your child's allocated colour below. Please can all donations be sent in by Tuesday 30th June. Donations can be sent in before this date.

- LJs/FS1 – Red
- FS2 – Orange
- Y1 – Yellow
- Y2/Y6 – Green
- Y3 – Blue
- Y4 – Pink
- Y5 – Purple

Ticket/Wristband Zone We will be continuing to use tickets and wristbands for our attractions again this year.

These can be purchased from the ticket zone on the day or from Miss Ayton from Tuesday 16th June. These are priced at 1 ticket for £2, 3 tickets for £5 or an unlimited wristband for £15. Attractions, to date, are:

- ✓ Falconry – hold a bird of prey and have your photo taken
- ✓ 10ft inflatable slide
- ✓ Inflatable assault course
- ✓ Bouncy castle
- ✓ Bomb Squad – balloon pop
- ✓ Wrecking ball
- ✓ Bungee Run
- ✓ Impossible Ladder

Future Dates for Your Diary

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

- 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

New Parent Council- A final Reminder

I have already had a few offers to join the parent Council. Any other parents interested then please let the school know. The first meeting will be on Wednesday 1st July 2026 at 8.45am

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

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

- Thursday 18th June Y1 & Y2 (new date)
- 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



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.

Loftus Library reading Challenge:

Please can all completed (Or partially completed) yellow sheets be returned to school by Friday 26th June and we will arrange for them to be sent to the library for the competition.

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

Final Thoughts/Words: A Heartfelt Thank You

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to the five members of staff who generously gave up their time to accompany our pupils on the three-day residential trip to Edinburgh. This follows the staff who went away for three days recently to Peat Rigg.

Being away from home for several days meant leaving behind their own families and personal commitments, yet they did so with enthusiasm, care, and unwavering dedication to ensure our children enjoyed a memorable and enriching experience. Residential visits require a tremendous amount of planning, responsibility, and energy. Throughout the trip, our staff went above and beyond, providing support, encouragement, and guidance at every stage. Their commitment helped create a safe, enjoyable, and rewarding experience filled with learning, adventure and lasting memories.

We are incredibly fortunate to have such dedicated professionals within our school community. Their willingness to invest their time and energy in opportunities like this reflects the care they have for every child and their determination to provide experiences that extend far beyond the classroom. On behalf of all the pupils, parents, and governors, thank you for your kindness, commitment, and outstanding dedication. Your efforts are greatly appreciated and do not go unnoticed.

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