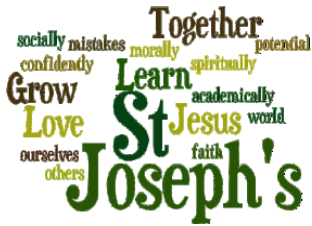


14th March 2025

## *St Joseph's Catholic Primary Weekly Reminders*



*Gospel reading for  
Sunday 16th March  
Second Sunday in Lent  
Luke 9: 28-36*



### **Headteacher Message**

One of the key themes of this Jubilee year is **FREEDOM**, a gift we are fortunate to enjoy. During this week's assembly, we reflected on how blessed we are to have the freedom to live our lives as we choose. However, with such freedom comes great responsibility, requiring us to reflect on the choices we make. Pope Francis has called us to embrace this responsibility during the Year of Hope.

While we may not be physically restrained, we can still find ourselves trapped—becoming slaves to material distractions such as video games or social media. These distractions can pull us away from helping others and living out our values. Together, we acknowledged that this is a challenge many of us face.

We drew inspiration from Jesus, who experienced distraction and temptation during His time in the desert. Yet, He stood firm, resisting those temptations to follow the path of righteousness. We are called to follow in His footsteps.

This Lent, I encourage your child to set aside a distraction in their life—something that may pull their focus away—and instead prioritise the values that truly enrich their spirit, by putting God at the centre of their journey.

## Reminders for w/c 17th March 2025

<b>Monday, 17th</b>	<b>Y6 SATS Workshop for parents—9.00am</b>
<b>Tuesday 18th</b>	<b>Class 3S Forest School</b>
<b>Wednesday 19th</b>	<b>Parents' Evening 3.45—6.45</b>
<b>Wednesday 19th</b>	<b>Y6 Netball Tournament</b>
<b>Thursday 20th</b>	<b>Parents' Evening 4.15—7.15</b>
<b>Thursday 20th</b>	<b>Class Assembly 3S</b>
<b>Thursday 20th</b>	<b>Class 3B Forest School</b>
<b>Friday 21st</b>	<b>Reception Class—Forest School</b>

## Letters sent out this week

Y1 Local Walk letter  
Y6 SATS letter  
Y5 Homework letter

## Links to specific newsletters

[Preschool](#)

[Reception](#)

[FOSJS](#)

## Kindness Half Term

This half term we are having a real focus on being kind.

This was launched in the first assembly following the half term and the children have spent some time each day thinking about how to be kind and acknowledging how others have been kind to them.

We now have a Wall of Kindness in our Key Stage 2 Hall and it is getting filled up with post-it notes that the children have written for each other to spotlight how someone has been kind to them this week.

Today, in our Celebration Assembly we awarded the next 10 kindness badges to 10 pupils that some of the Pupil Leadership Team chose as having shown kindness in various ways.

Well done to our kindness winners!

There will be 10 kindness winners chosen each week this half term.



TO BE ANNOUNCED ON MONDAY 17TH

## Awards

### Class Champions this week:

Well done to all our class champions this week, who displayed the qualities of their class saints. These children will all have VIP privileges next week.



<b>RMG</b>		<b>RC</b>	
<b>1B</b>			
<b>2E</b>			
<b>3B</b>			
<b>4B</b>			
<b>5D</b>		<b>5F</b>	
<b>6O</b>		<b>6ST</b>	

To be announced on Monday

### Our Rainbow Award Winners this week:

These children all displayed one of the following characteristics: reflective, bounce-back, teamwork, curiosity, motivation, independence.



### HOUSEPOINTS THIS WEEK (RUNNING TOTALS)

St David

St St George

St Andrew

St Patrick

## Attendance : Week Ending 28th February 2025

CLASS	%	CLASS	%
RC	97.4	RMG	91.3
1D	93.8	1B	95.4
2WE	89.2	2E	93.3
3S	97.7	3B	94.7
4B	97.7	4GF	94.6
5F	95.4	5D	92.8
6O	93.8	6ST	97.0

*The highest class attendance for last week  
was 3S & 4B with 97.7%*

### **Weekly Prize Bag**



There is a draw each week in Celebration Assembly and children who have had 100% attendance for the week are entered. The winner receives a goody bag.

This week's winner will be announced on Monday

Each week the names are transferred to the big prize draw bucket for a £50 Amazon Voucher drawn at the Love Learn Grow Assembly.

## Key School Information / things to note

### Curriculum Information

You can find half termly information about your child's learning on the school website. Please go to the tab '**CHILDREN, YEAR GROUP PAGES.**' Here you will find the topics being covered, key information such as PE, library and drop in days ,as well as a break down of the key concepts being taught (which can be found in the Knowledge Organisers below the information).

Please take a look!

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