

St. Joseph's

Catholic
Primary School



Our school is a family of faith, hope, love,
fun and learning for all.

Newsletter

2023-2024

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A message from Mrs Gum

Things have been getting very festive this week! On Sunday we entertained the parish pensioners at the annual Christmas Lunch. Our Mini Vinnies did a fantastic job of serving and entertaining our guests. This week Key Stage 1 have given two tremendous performances of the nativity 'Mary's Knitting'. The children were so confident in their singing, acting and speaking. It was a delight to watch. Our Mini Vinnies visited Hazelmere on Tuesday and sang some carols for the residents which was very well received. On Wednesday night it was the PTA Christmas Disco. I am certain the children had an amazing time; I think the adults needed a lie down in a dark room afterwards. The children devoured all of the tuck shop stock and most of them were on a sugar fuelled high at the 6:30pm collection time. This did lead to some overtired, grumpy children on Thursday! Next week we continue with the festivities with the PTA Christmas Bake Off, Christmas Jumper Day, St Luke's Elf Run, Christmas Dinner and the KS2 Carol Concert. I think we will all be ready for that 1:30pm finish next Friday. Have a lovely relaxing weekend ahead of another busy week.

Attendance

Whole School

94.3%

1st Place

Miss L Bennett's Class

97.9%

2nd Place

Mr Lewis' Class

96%

3rd Place

Mr Sutton & Miss C Bennett's Class

95.7%

Friends of St Joseph's PTA

The Christmas Disco on Wednesday night was attended by a lot of children. An amazing **£839.59** was raised! Thank you to everyone who organised and supported the event.

The next PTA event is on **MONDAY 18th DECEMBER**
St Joseph's Christmas Bake Off - £2 an entry.

There is still time to enter!
Cake Sale (of entries) 3:15pm
All entries should be dropped off in the Sports Hall before school. Who will be crowned Champion Baker of 2023?

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 18th December

EYFS Stay & Pray 8.45am

PTA Christmas Bake Off

PTA Cake Sale 3:15pm

Tuesday 19th December

Stay & Pray KS1

Wednesday 20th December

Stay & Pray LKS2

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Dinner

Elf Run

Thursday 21st December

Stay & Pray UKS2

KS2 Carol Concert 1.30pm

Friday 22nd December

SCHOOL CLOSSES 1:30pm

Monday 8th January

SCHOOL OPENS 8:40am

Don't forget to sign your child up for one of the basket ball or gymnastics clubs on offer in the Spring Term. Places are limited.

[PREMIER SPORTS CLUB REGISTRATION](#)

Lunch Menu

Week 3

Forest School

**15th January
Year 2**

**22nd January
Year 1**

**29th January
Reception**

Letters and Reminders

DON'T FORGET TO SPONSOR YOUR CHILD FOR NEXT WEEK'S ELF RUN IN AID OF ST LUKE'S HOSPICE.
Use the QR code below to go straight to our Just Giving Page.



ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

The Governing Board have agreed that authorisation will **NOT** be given for **ANY** holidays taken in term time. Requests for authorised absence must be made using the absence request form at least 4 weeks in **advance** of the absence. Please refer to the Attendance Policy on the school website. St Joseph's has adopted the Winsford Education Partnership Policy. Please ensure that your child is in school ready to learn by 8:45am each day.

School Meals

Mrs Waite and I have taken the feedback from parents, staff and children and have created a new 'Spring Term Menu'. We will review this after the first 3 weeks and make amendments where necessary.

[SPRING MENU](#)

Reception 2024

Applications

If your child starts full time education in September 2024 you **must** apply for a school place **BEFORE 15th January**.

Please apply on time via **[CWAC Admissions](#)**. Late applications may result in your child being placed in a school that is not your first choice.

P positivity
R respect
I independence
D determination
E enthusiasm

Sunday's Gospel John 1:19-28

"I baptise with water. But someone is coming soon who is more powerful than I am."



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