



# St. Joseph's Weekly News

## Friday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2026

Our School Values    Respect - Self-belief - Faith - Friendship - Resilience - Self-control - Perseverance - Aspiration



### Month of Mary

May is traditionally known as the Month of Mary, a time when Catholics and many other Christians pause to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary in a special way. As spring blossoms into fullness, the beauty of creation is seen as a reflection of Mary's purity, humility, and faithful "yes" to God. Throughout this month, we take part in devotions such as the Rosary, May crownings, and quiet moments of prayer, asking for Mary's intercession and guidance. It is a gentle reminder to imitate her trust, openness, and love in our own daily lives. Our children will be gathering through prayer this month to dedicate a time for reflection for Mary the Mother of God.

### Rosary

As we approach the month of May, as a Catholic community we dedicate this month to Mary our Mother. As a school we will be holding a whole school assembly with Father John on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May. Furthermore, we will be holding our annual **May Procession on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 9.30am** in the prayer garden. We would love for as many parents to attend this as possible. We also ask for some flowers to crown Mary during the procession.

### VR Experience Day

On Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> April several of our children in KS2 participated in our Prime VR Workshop. The children had a great time taking part in the VR experience, which enriched the curriculum and helped bring classroom learning to life in a meaningful and engaging way.

### Year 3 Assembly

Well done to everyone who took part in the Year 3 Class Assembly this Friday. The theme of our Assembly was the importance of May as the month of Mary. We began the Assembly by showing that May was an important time in the Roman calendar and was celebrated at the Festival of Floralia. As time went by this developed into a celebration of the start of Spring and our dancers performed a Maypole dance using streamers to represent the pole. We then introduced the story of Mary and how the Angel Gabriel visited her to tell her the joyful news that she was going to be the mother of Jesus. The class retold the story through poetry and drama and finished the Assembly with the hymn 'Oh lady, full of God's own grace'. Everyone spoke their lines clearly and enjoyed being able to tell the story of Mary. Well done Year 3!

### Art week

This week we have been diving back into our Art and Design skills! Across the school classes have been exploring working with sculpture and 3d design using a range of mediums such as paper, card and clay. Children have been developing their observational drawing skills through looking at architecture and developing their printing skills too. Art and design week is something that the children look forward to during the term and it is wonderful to see the amazing pieces of artwork being created across the school.

### School Collection:

School finishes at 3:15pm for KS1 and 3:20pm for KS2. Please reminded to be prompt when collecting your child at the end of the school day. If you are running late for collection, please ring the school office and let us know. If your child is persistently collected late from school and is not collected by 3.30pm a late charge will be applied. Thank you for your continued support.

**ATTENDANCE AWARD**  
Year 3 100%  
Year 6 100%

**HOUSE POINTS**  
John

### STARS OF THE WEEK

- Nursery  
Joshua & Sebastian
- Reception  
Alex & Amelia-Grace
- Year 1  
Alice & Jayden
- Year 2  
Taylor & Tabi-Mercy
- Year 3  
Aria & Atalia
- Year 4  
Kaima & Lula
- Year 5  
Niya & Devid
- Year 6  
Aisha & Alexies

### LEARNER OF THE WEEK

- Nursery  
Valentina
- Reception  
Eliora
- Year 1  
Ariella
- Year 2  
Jason
- Year 3  
Holy-Joy
- Year 4  
Ellis
- Year 5  
Alya
- Year 6  
Janelle

## REMINDERS:

### Parking

Parents/visitors to our school are kindly reminded:

- Be considerate of road markings and neighbours when parking near our school.
- do not park or stop on yellow lines or zigzags.
- do not ignore road markings.
- do not park over driveways.
- do not cause increased danger for road users.
- do not be abusive or rude to the local residents or other members of the community.

### Scooters

Please be reminded that scooters and bikes are not to be ridden on school premises.

Please disembark at the school gate and walk/wheel the scooter/bike from the school gate and leave them in the designated bike/scooter area next to the library.

As always, we thank you for your continued support.

- Please remember those healthy items for packed lunches.
- Children are NOT to play on the Adventure Trail or in the access road outside the Royal Avenue gate, as this vehicular gate is in constant use.
- **St Joseph's is a 'Allergy Aware School'**

## SUMMER TERM 1

Week	Date-	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	13 <sup>th</sup> April				BEGINNING OF TERM MASS 9.10AM  SATS/RESIDENTIAL MEETING 6PM	
2	20 <sup>th</sup> April					
3	27 <sup>th</sup> April	ART WEEK	ART WEEK KS2 VR PRIME WORKSHOP	ART WEEK	ART WEEK	ART WEEK  YEAR 3 ASSEMBLY
4	4 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>BANK HOLIDAY NO SCHOOL</b>	ROSARY ASSEMBLY 9:10AM		YEAR 4 CLASS TRIP  MAY PROCESSION 9:10am	PTA – NON UNIFORM DAY
5	11 <sup>th</sup> May	SATS	SATS	SATS	SATS  ASCENSION MASS 11AM	RECEPTION ASSEMBLY
6	18 <sup>th</sup> May	INTERNATIONAL WEEK  CLASS GROUP PHOTOS	INTERNATIONAL WEEK	INTERNATIONAL WEEK	INTERNATIONAL WEEK  FOOD MARKET	INTERNATIONAL WEEK
<b>Half term -25<sup>th</sup> May-29<sup>th</sup> May 2026</b>						



# St. Joseph's Nursery School



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Do you have a child born between 1st September 2022 and 31st August 2023?  
Are you looking for a Nursery School for your child?

**Why not give your child the best start in Nursery Education at  
St. Joseph's Nursery School in Waltham Cross.**

We still have some Nursery spaces available for September 2026.

As a 30 hour provider, we also offer wrap around care from 7.45am until 5.30pm.

We welcome applications from children of all faiths to our Nursery.

## Healthy Packed Lunch

### Suggestions for food to include in a healthy packed lunch

- **At least** one portion of fruit or vegetable every day.
- Meat, fish or other source of non-dairy protein (e.g. lentils, beans, soya or hummus), every day
- Oily fish such as pilchards, salmon or tuna
- A starchy food such as bread, pasta, rice noodles, potatoes or other type of cereal every day.
- Dairy food such as milk, cheese, yoghurt, fromage frais or custard.
- Cereal bars rather than cakes or biscuits
- Seeds, crackers and cheese, vegetables or bread sticks with a dip

### Drinks

- No drinks are to be brought into school – water is provided.
- Water bottles are to be brought on school trips – **NO** other drink.

### FUN FRIDAY

Suggestions for food to include ON A FUN FRIDAY in a healthy packed lunch.

- Snacks such as crisps
- Chocolate coated biscuits or wafers **or**
- Small cake e.g. fairy cakes, cake bars, muffins **or**
- Small pudding pot e.g. chocolate mousse)

**Foods that should not be brought into school (These are foods that we have already asked not to be brought into school)**

- Confectionery such as chocolate bars.
- Sweets
- Nuts or nut products (although they can be healthy there is a very serious risk to other children with allergies).
- Fizzy drinks or any soft drinks.

