



St Joseph the Worker Catholic Primary School



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Friday 12th June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have had a wonderful week, the highlight of which was Wednesday, when we celebrated World Oceans Day. Niamh Tucker, who used to run our after-school club and holds a master's degree in marine biology, came into school to share her passion with us all. Niamh delivered informative assemblies for both KS1 and KS2 and ran workshops for each class. Thank you, Niamh for a wonderful day!

Year 1 have had a busy week completing their Phonics Screening Check. We are incredibly proud of their hard work and progress, and it is lovely to see them growing as readers. Thank you to Miss McElhill and Mrs O'Toole for preparing the children so well.

We should also mention Year 4, who completed their Multiplication Tables Check last week. They have worked hard to learn their times tables, and we are equally proud of them. We are grateful to Miss Meadows, Mrs English and Mrs Hession for their dedication and support.

Our Mini Vinnies have also been busy this week. They organised a coffee morning for parishioners after the 9.15am Mass this morning and treated them to tea, coffee and cakes. Well done to the Mini Vinnies, and thank you to Fr Gary for supporting us and to the parishioners who joined us.

We look forward to welcoming all the special gentlemen in our school community to the school hall next Friday at 2.45pm for a special sing-song.

Have a good weekend.

Mrs Poulter



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Thank You for Supporting World Ocean Day!

We have received a lovely note from WaterAid thanking our school community for supporting their World Ocean Day fundraising campaign this week.

Thanks to your generosity, we have already raised an amazing **£381!** Every donation helps WaterAid provide clean water, decent toilets and good hygiene to communities around the world.

If you haven't already done so, there is still time to contribute. Please make your **£2 donation** via our [JustGiving page](#).

Thank you for helping us make a difference!

Quad Kids Athletics Competition



A team of four girls and four boys represented the school at the recent Quad Kids athletics event. The children competed brilliantly across four disciplines: the 600m run, 60m sprint, standing long jump and howler throw.

All team members showed great determination, teamwork and sportsmanship throughout the competition, giving their best in every event. Their hard work and effort paid off, and we were delighted to finish in 3rd place overall.

Well done to all the children involved for representing the school so positively!

Love working with children?

Looking to gain valuable experience in a school setting?

After School Club Assistant Needed

We're seeking a caring and enthusiastic assistant to join our After School Club on Mondays and Fridays, 3:15pm–6:00pm.

Come and make a difference while building your skills in a rewarding school environment!



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Use of School Play Equipment Before and After School

We would like to remind families that the school play equipment and outdoor areas should only be used under parental supervision before registration and after the end of the school day.

Please note that outside of the school's supervised hours (before 9:00am and after 3:30pm), responsibility for children's safety remains with parents and carers. During these times, the school cannot accept responsibility or liability for any accidents, injuries, or incidents that may occur while children are using the play equipment or school grounds.

We kindly ask all families to ensure that children are supervised appropriately and use the equipment safely and respectfully.

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding.

Important Dates this Term

8th-12th June	Year 1 phonics screening week
15th - 19th June	Journey in Love week (information on our website). Letters will go out to Years 4 to 6 soon
19 th June	Father's Day Assembly 2.45pm
23 rd June	Year 5 Assembly 2.45pm
2nd July	Sports Day
4th July	Summer Fete – 11:30-15:30
8th July	Transition afternoon. Children will visit their new classes
9th July	Reports home to parents
9th July	Year 6 production to parents 2pm
15th July	Leavers' Mass 2pm
17th July	Last day of term for children



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Certificates of Achievement were awarded to the following children this week, well done to you all.

Class R: Grace and Niamh
Class 1: All of Class 1
Class 2: Gretha and Isa
Class 3: Conor, Rohan and Teddy O
Class 3: Beau, Elliott and Frederick
Class 5: Ella, Jacob T and Solange
Class 6: Ava and Jophiel



HOUSE CUP – Assisi (Green) won the cup this week – Well done!

 Congratulations to Alexander P, Beau and Logan on earning your pen licence! Well done!

Parish BBQ at Hutton Hall – Sunday 28th June 2026

Join us for a wonderful afternoon of food, friendship and summer fun at our Parish BBQ on **Sunday 28th June** in the stunning grounds of Hutton Hall! There will be delicious food, refreshments, games, laughter, and a great chance to spend time together as a **parish and school community** in a relaxed and joyful atmosphere.

Everyone is very welcome. Please do come along and bring family and friends.

It promises to be a lovely occasion for all ages and a wonderful way to celebrate the summer together.

Don't forget to bring your own chairs, picnic rug, and games, and we hope to see you there!

Adults £10, Children £5

Tickets (including a hot dog or burger and a drink) **are on sale after weekend Masses** or via email hutton@brcdt.org .

June Reading Challenge: Picture Book or Graphic Novel Month

Dive into colourful pages full of illustrations. Take turns choosing your favourite picture or funniest panel.



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TOY DONATIONS NEEDED

We are developing resources to support children's **joint attention skills** and would greatly appreciate donations of small toys that use **light, sound or movement**.

We are looking for items such as: light-up toys, sound toys (eg. roaring dinosaurs or talking characters), small instruments (drums or rain sticks), sound-making puppets, jack-in-the-box toys, jiggle balls, spinning tops and moving toys (wind-up toys, pull-back vehicles, remote control cars, Magic Trax cars).

As these resources will be stored in small containers, **donated items will need to fit inside a 7-litre container (maximum size approx. 30cm x 18cm x 13cm)**.

If you can help, please send items into school or leave them at the school office. Thank you for your support!

Attendance Matters

Every school day counts. Good attendance plays a vital role in helping children achieve their best, both academically and socially. Being in school regularly allows children to keep up with learning, take part in classroom activities, and enjoy the friendships and experiences that are such an important part of school life.

When attendance falls below 90%, children can miss a considerable amount of learning over the course of the year, making it more difficult to keep pace with their classmates and reach their full potential.

We appreciate that deciding whether a child is well enough to attend school can sometimes be challenging. To support families in making this decision, the NHS provides helpful guidance on common illnesses and school attendance.

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)



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PTA Messages

Father's Day shop - Tue 16 Jun

As per our Mother's Day shop, we will be running one for Father's Day. Children will be able to purchase gifts during the school day.

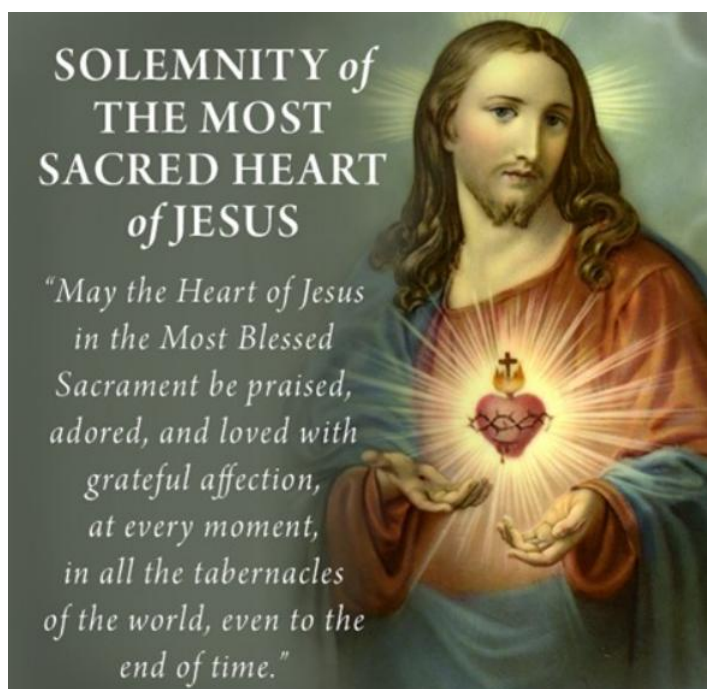
Summer Fete - Sat 4 Jul

This year we have lots planned - big inflatables, music, games and refreshments, so please put the date in your diary.

We are going to need lots of volunteers to be able to do everything that we have planned, so if you are able to help then please let your class rep know.

We will also be getting advertising boards from an estate agent. If you are happy for your address to have one until mid-July, then please let your class rep know ASAP.

And finally...



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FREE YEAR 6 LEAVERS SELF-DEFENCE

 Sessions running all Summer

➤ Defence Against Gangs ➤ Knife Attacks ➤ Situational Awareness

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Week Commencing Monday 15th June 2026:

Monday 15th June 2026	
Class 4 and 6	PE
Class 5	Walsingham House
Enrolled Students	Piano Lessons
Enrolled Students	Choir – Cancelled this week
Enrolled Students	Gardening Club – 4.30 pick up.
Tuesday 16th June 2026	
Class 5 and 6	Athletics – 8am – Junior Playground – Cancelled this week
Class R, 1, 3, 4 and 5	PE
Enrolled Students	Guitar lesson
Class 5	Drumming
All students	PTA Father's Day Sale
Wednesday 17th June 2026	
Ocean Day	Non-uniform day – wear blue – Donate £2 via just giving page (no cash please)
Class 3	PE
Selected Students	Cricket Club – 4.45 pick up from field
Enrolled Students	Drumming Lessons (All enrolled students will have lessons on Wednesdays moving forward)
Thursday 18th June 2026	
Class 3 and 4	Summer Games Club – 8am
Class R, 1, 2 and 6	PE
Class 5	Swimming
Friday 19th June 2026	
Class 5 and 6	Rounders – 8am – Field (Please check school website for cancelation)
Class 2	PE
All Classes	Class Photographs
Enrolled Students	Guitar Lessons
All Welcome	Father's Day Assembly – 2.45pm (All gates will be open at 2.30pm including the school playground for additional parking. Please ensure all visitors park considerately)



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