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**Saint Joseph's Infant and Junior Schools**  
**Parental Newsletter - Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026**  
**Value for July- Gratitude**

**Breakfast Club Daily**  
**7:45 - 8:30 a.m.**

**Junior/Infant School Halls - registration required**

**After School Club**  
**Junior School**  
**Monday - Friday**  
**3:00 - 4:15 p.m.**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July**  
**Dance Club**  
**Taekwondo**  
**3:30-4:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July**  
**Gym Club**  
**Chess Club**  
**Archery Club**  
**3:30 - 4:30 p.m.**

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July**  
**Football Club**  
**3:30 - 4:30 p.m.**

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July**  
**Year 4 Computing Club**  
**3:30 - 4:15 p.m.**  
**Fencing Club**  
**Computing Club**  
**3:30 - 4:30 p.m.**

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July**  
**Gym Club**  
**3:30 - 4:30 p.m.**

**This will be last week of afterschool sports clubs of the summer term.**

**School's Association Meeting- Summer Fayre – Today!**

The Summer Fayre will take place today on **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> July from 4:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m.** We are really looking forward to a fabulous community event! There are lots of activities to do and international food and music to enjoy. See you there!

**Annual Parental Questionnaire**

**Please find the link and QR code to our annual parental questionnaire.** I would appreciate you taking a moment to complete the form so that we can gather your views on any areas that you may wish to give us feedback on. This will help us to ensure that we continue to provide the best possible school experience for your child. Many thanks in advance for completing this.

<https://forms.gle/h8R31ZnWXSS2X5Uy6>



**R.E. Monthly Value and Ten Ten Newsletter for July**

Our monthly value focus for July is Gratitude. The Prayer Focus sheet and home-learning activity can be found on page 7. You can also access this month's Ten Ten Religious Education newsletter by clicking on the link below.

<https://www.tentenresources.co.uk/prayers-for-home/parent-newsletter/>

**Forward Notice Class Masses**

The following classes will be celebrating Masses at 2 p.m. in their classrooms on the rescheduled date below:  
Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July Saint Christopher and Saint John Paul (five pupils, parents will be directly invited)

**School Council Eco Hero Shop**

Our next Eco Hero Shop is today at our summer fayre. If you have bottles that you are happy to donate, please continue to send them in. Please also remember to bring your own bottles to the fayre to fill up. This will save you money and help to reduce plastic waste.



## Year 6 End of Term Events

Leaver's Production- Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July 5-7 p.m. Junior Hall- ticket only

Leaver's Production- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July 5-7 p.m. Junior Hall- ticket only

Leaver's Disco Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July 5-7 p.m. Junior Hall

Year 6 Cinema Trip- Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July

Leaver's Mass Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> July 2 p.m. Junior Hall- **Please note change of date** parents and family members are all warmly invited.

## Forward Notice Prayer Liturgies

We are again offering parents a really special opportunity to attend your child's class liturgy in the final half term. The class liturgies are organised and led by the children. Years 1-5 will take place on the following days at 2:50 p.m. in your child's classroom. Please note amended dates.

**Year 5 – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2:50 p.m.**

**Saint Jude – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2:50 p.m.**

## Forward Notice- Music Sharing Concerts

We have had an abundance of music concerts this week. We started off on Monday with Year 2 pupils. The Year 2 choir also performed and sang two songs.



On Thursday Years 3, 4 and 6 performed. It was wonderful to see all of the pupils showcasing their musical talents. Well done also to the choir and recorder groups. Brent Music Service and our two teachers Mrs. Richards and Miss. Jo do a really amazing job across the year.



## **Sport's Day**

We are looking forward to sports day for each school next week. All timings are approximate. **Please ensure the children wear their house colour t-shirt. If possible, these should be plain in colour but if patterned they can be worn inside out.**

The arrangements are as follows:

### **Infant Sports Day Tuesday 7th July.**

9-10 Year 2

10-11 Year 1

11-12 Reception

### **Junior Sports Day Wednesday 8th July.**

9-9:45 Year 3

9:45-10:30 Year 4

10:30-11:15 Year 5

11:15-12 Year 6

### **Nursery sports day is on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July: 11.15a.m. for Saint Anthony (a.m. nursery) and 2.30p.m. Saint Anne (p.m. nursery).**

Please note nursery children do not need to wear a house colour t-shirt. They should wear their normal nursery school uniform.

### **Current Nursery Parental Meeting - Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July 8:45a.m.**

There will be a parental meeting on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July led by Ms. Mc Andrew EYFS leader. This meeting will focus on preparing your child to be 'school ready' for September. This is for children who are beginning reception in September 2026.



### **World Cup Event**

We will be having a special World Cup Penalty Shoot Out competition on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> July. There will be a girl and a boy winner from each class.

### **Reading Café**

The Reading Café has been very successful throughout this special Year of Reading. They take place in the school hall from 2:30 p.m.

The remaining date for the final reading café of this year is as follows:

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July Saint George

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### **Summer Book Boost**

As part of the special 'Year of Reading' Reading Rocks are providing 7 weekly emails packed with short, snappy videos from authors and illustrators, a free reading extract and lots of fun creative activities to encourage reading over the holiday period. Please click on the link below to register. More information can be found on page 10.

<https://wherereadingrocks.com/lp/summer-book-boost/>

### **OPAL Visit Afternoons**

We were disappointed that we had to cancel the two OPAL play visit afternoons due to the heavy rain. We have rescheduled this and hope the weather is fine.

Parents are warmly invited to come in to see how our OPAL Play has developed since last year. These sessions run from 2:30 p.m. Please try to join us to see the play opportunities that the children experience at lunchtime every day.



**Tuesday 14th July Reception, Year 1, Year 4, Year 6**

**Wednesday 15th July Year 2, Saint John Paul, Year 3, Year 5**

## Forward Notice: Bling Up Your Bike or Scooter Day

On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July we will have a special cycle and scoot to school day. We are encouraging the children to decorate their bike or scooter. There will be prizes for each key stage for the scooter/bike that has been decorated the most creatively.

## School Uniform

The Government's Schools White Paper highlights the importance of making school uniforms affordable for families while maintaining a strong sense of school identity and belonging. From September 2026, primary schools will only be allowed to have three compulsory logo items. This will mean that there will be some changes to our uniform from September 2026. Please see the information on page 8 which outlines the changes. Other logo items will be available, such as the blazers and fleece but these will continue to be optional items. The polo tops for P.E will be plain white from September, although children can of course wear the logo polo tops until they grow out of them. Bags and hats will be plain burgundy going forward with no school logo on. We will continue to stock these for parents to buy. Ahead of these changes we will be having a summer uniform sale from next week, more details to follow.

## Sun Safe School



As you know we are a Sun Safe School. **We would also ask for your support with this by making sure that your child has their hat (with their name on) in school every day and ensuring that your child has sunscreen applied** each morning before school. Please also send in a bottle of sunscreen lotion with your child's name on which will stay in school for them to use. Children will apply this as necessary, so please practise applying sunscreen with them at home. **A reminder if the UV Index is 3 or above the children must**



**wear their sun-hat at playtimes if they do not have a hat they have to stay in the shade.** Please click on the link below to give permission for your child to be involved in this important health and safety initiative. If you have any questions please talk to us at the gate, email or call. Many thanks. Please complete the permission form using the link below:

<https://forms.gle/LCREoDS7w5A7YUis8>

## Kellogg's Free Football Clubs this summer

We wanted to share a great opportunity for families over the school holidays. Kellogg's are offering free



places at professionally run football camps for children, led by FA-qualified coaches and delivered in partnership with the English Football League (EFL), Manchester City, Celtic FC and Rangers FC. The sessions are designed to be fun, inclusive and confidence-building, helping children stay active, meet new friends and enjoy a positive, experience during the holidays. As well as giving children something to look forward to, they also provide a valuable free childcare option for families over the

break, with supervised sessions taking place at a range of local clubs nationwide. How to book your

FREE place: 📍 Visit [www.kelloggsfc.com](http://www.kelloggsfc.com) on mobile

🔍 Find your local club

📱 Enter the code: **SCHOOL** and book a FREE day of football fun

## Safeguarding Online Safety

Each week we will include an information sheet which helps us navigate the online world. This week's National Online Safety guide is about 'Spotting Ads on Social Media'. Please see page 9 for further information.



## Weekly Attendance Award





Congratulations to the class winners for the last week.

Junior School - Saint Maximilian Kolbe with 97%.

Infant School – Saint Christopher and Saint Angela draw on a magnificent 99%!

## House Points



			
<b>Matthew</b>	<b>Mark</b>	<b>Luke</b>	<b>John</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> 15089 points</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> 11905 points</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> 11537 points</b>	<b>4<sup>th</sup> 10361 points</b>



House point totals 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2026

## Value Awards- June- Leadership

Saint Patrick – Rhys and Kimora

Saint Teresa – Lukas and Dale

Saint John Paul- Joycee and Nestor

Saint Angela – Sebian and Ava- Marie

Saint Catherine- Marcel and Snoelle

Saint Mary – Gordon and Joanna

Saint Joan of Arc – Rikhil and Eleni

Saint Faustina – Milena and Anailen

Saint Bernadette – Emily and Velrick

Saint George – Lucas N and Semenca

Saint Christopher – Berwin and Vannia

Saint Jude - Vernon and Deidra

Saint Francis – Roseford and Carina

Saint Maximilian Kolbe – Liam and Isabella

Saint Vincent De Paul – Jovan and Nathania



Congratulations to all of the children who demonstrated an understanding of the value of 'Leadership'. Our value for July is '**Gratitude**'. The Prayer Focus sheet and home learning task can be found on page 7.

## Star of the Week

Well done to the children below for their positive approach to learning and to school life in general.

Saint Patrick – Pearl

Saint Bernadette - Kian

Saint George - Shayne

Saint Teresa - Anora

Saint John Paul - Myssa

Saint Angela – Rylan

Saint Christopher – Immaculada

Saint Catherine - Anthea

Saint Jude – Ariana

Saint Mary - Kamille

Saint Francis - Mazen

Saint Joan of Arc - Iwano

Saint Maximilian Kolbe - Alvaro

Saint Vincent De Paul - Cavalli

Saint Faustina - Iga

## Prayer of Gratitude

Dear God,  
Thank You for the gift of each new day.  
Thank You for our families, our friends, our teachers and  
everyone who cares for us.  
Thank You for our school, where we learn, grow, and discover  
new things.  
Help us to have thankful hearts.  
May we notice the many blessings around us, both big and  
small, and always remember to say "thank you."  
Teach us to share our kindness, encourage one another, and  
help those who need our care.  
As we finish this week and look forward to the next, may we  
carry gratitude in our words, our actions, and our hearts.  
Amen.



*Have a lovely  
weekend.  
Mrs. Whelan*





# St Joseph's Infant and Junior School Prayer Focus



**July 2026**



**Feast Day of St Anne**

**26<sup>th</sup> July**

Saint Anne is the patron saint of mothers. Her name means Grace. St Anne was the mother of Mary and the grandmother of Jesus. She lovingly cared for Mary, teaching her about God and helping her to grow in faith.

St Anne reminds us that families, teachers and carers all help us to know God's love. She is a wonderful example of faith, love, patience and kindness.

**Prayer to St Anne**

O God,

You blessed St Anne with the joy of being the mother of Mary, who became the Mother of Jesus.

Help us to follow her example of faith, love and care for others.

May we always be thankful for the people who guide us and help us to grow closer to You.

Amen.

## **Gratitude**

Gratitude means being thankful for the gifts God has given us.

Jesus often thanked His Father for His love and blessings. He teaches us to notice the good things in our lives and to be thankful for the people who care for us.

Being grateful helps us to appreciate our family, friends, teachers and all the wonderful opportunities we have each day. We can also thank God for the beauty of creation, our talents and the kindness shown by others.

When we choose gratitude, we grow closer to God and help to spread joy to those around us.

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever."

Psalm 107:1

### **Homework**

**Draw a tree with five leaves.**

**On each leaf, write or draw something you are thankful to God for.**

## School Uniform Saint Joseph's Infant and Junior Schools September 2026

### Saint Joseph's Infant and Junior Schools Uniform



#### What to buy from school:



**V-Neck Sweater**  
To wear with trousers  
Years 1 -6 ONLY



**Cardigan**  
To wear with skirts  
Years 1 -6 ONLY



**Sweatshirt Top**  
Nursery – Year 6  
All Year Groups



**School Tie**  
Elasticated (Yrs. 1 and 2)  
Standard (Yrs. 3-6)  
Years 1 -6 ONLY

#### Optional items you can buy from school:



**Blazer**  
Juniors Only  
Years 3 -6 ONLY



**School Fleece**  
Nursery – Year 6  
All Year Groups



**Jogging bottoms**  
Nursery – Year 6  
All Year Groups



**Summer shorts**  
Nursery – Year 6  
All Year Groups



**Book Bag**  
Nursery – Year 6  
All Year Groups



**Summer hat and Winter hat**  
Nursery – Year 6  
All Year Groups

**Summer hat and Winter hat**  
Nursery – Year 6  
All Year Groups



#### Items to buy from shops:



**White shirt either long or short sleeve your preference, but must have a collar for a tie.**  
Years 1 -6 ONLY



**White polo top**  
Nursery – Year 6  
All Year Groups



We have a small stock of school logo polo shirts left, but when these have gone, they have gone! If you want one, please visit parent pay quickly before they disappear!



**Grey Socks or tights**  
Nursery – Year 6  
All Year Groups



**Dark grey school shorts for warm weather or trousers for cooler weather**  
Years 1 -6 ONLY



**Dark grey tunic or skirt**  
Years 1 -6 ONLY



**School coat PLAIN BLACK COAT NO PATTERNS**  
Nursery – Year 6  
All Year Groups

A regular safeguarding update will be provided with this newsletter to ensure that you have access to current useful information and guidance.

# SPOTTING ADS ON SOCIAL MEDIA

Do you always know when you're seeing an ad on your social media feed? You might not! Some ads look just like any other post – they might be funny or cool, but really they're trying to sell you something without you realising. But here are some ideas for spotting ads like a pro!

Look closely at the profile picture

Pay attention to the account name

Check if it says "sponsored" f i or "promoted"

A 'verified' tick can still mean it's an ad

Study the hashtags for clues about the post's purpose

Be savvy with high numbers of likes and shares

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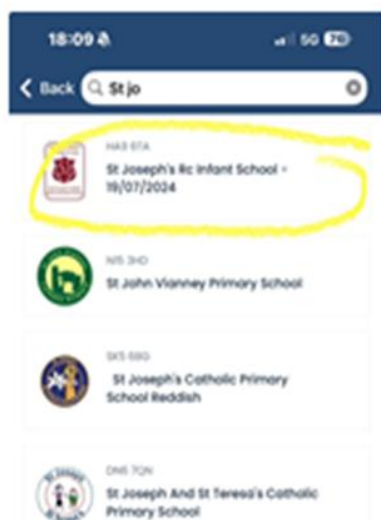
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