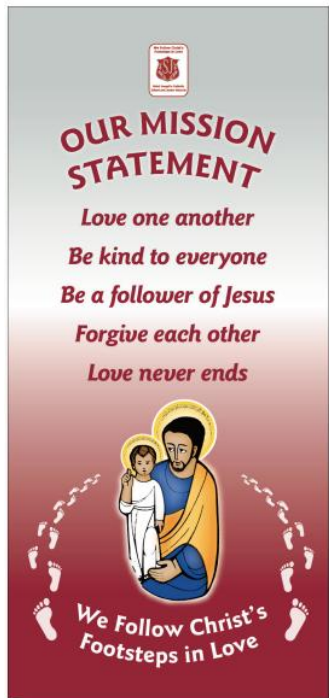




Saint Joseph's Infant and Junior Schools

Catholic Life and Mission Newsletter

Summer Term 2026



Summer term has been a really busy term with lots of exciting events. It is the term where we bid farewell to our Year 6 pupils and wish them well in their onward journey in secondary school.

Monthly Values

We have continued to introduce a monthly value and to send home a value sheet with a shared family task. Over the summer term we have reflected on the following values in assembly and in class and home focused activities.

May- Perseverance June – Leadership
July- Gratitude

Whole School and Year Group Masses

This term children in KS2 and Year 2 have continued to celebrate Masses in their classrooms with their families and staff. This is a really special opportunity for Mass and we are very grateful to Father

Joseph, Father Tebin and Father Jose for coming to celebrate class Masses with our children and families.

Ascension Day Mass

We all attended a special Ascension Day Mass on Ascension Thursday. Father Tebin reminded everyone about the meaning of 'marantha' meaning 'Come O Lord.' He encouraged all of us to be modern day disciples spreading the good news about Jesus.

Class assemblies

Five classes have had their class assemblies this term. **Saint Francis** led a very reflective assembly on Earth Day. They reminded us about all of the things that we can do to be caring stewards of God's Earth. Our mission was to think about how to discard rubbish and recycle connecting with creation not screens!

Saint Bernadette's assembly was focused on Eastertide events and Pentecost. Our mission was to find the Holy Spirit at work in our joyful day to day actions.



Saint Catherine led a beautiful assembly all about Mary as we were in her special month. We thought about all of Mary's many wonderful qualities and how we can grow closer to her through saying the rosary. Our mission was to go forward and be like Mary and to say yes to God.



Saint Jude led a wonderful assembly all about Corpus Christi. We thought about all of the special meals that Jesus shared and the importance of family meal times: spending time together. We reflected on the Sacrament of the Eucharist and how it brings us closer to God. Our mission was to show kindness, forgiveness and compassion to others. We were also encouraged to care for creation and help those in need, as these actions would help to build a community where everyone is welcomed and valued.



Saint Patrick led a wonderful assembly all about being a friend of Jesus. Our mission was for us all to try to be a friend of Jesus by being kind to others, taking turns, cheering others up when they are sad or asking people to play if they are alone.



May Procession

We had a beautiful May Procession just before half term. The children prayed, sang and processed around the school to lay their flowers before our statue of Mary in our Prayer Garden.



Parental Prayer Group

The parents have continued to meet each month to pray the rosary.



Father's Day Cake Sale

We held a Father's Day Cake Sale in the Junior playground. We were very grateful to everyone who came along to buy a treat.



Stewardship of God's World

World Earth Day

The children celebrated World Earth Day on Wednesday 22nd April. They had a range of focused activities on sustainability and caring for God's creation. The flowers that they planted have now grown and are a colourful addition around the school environment.



International Day

The children celebrated our amazing cultural diversity on our 'International Day'. It was wonderful to see their clothes reflecting their heritage or a favourite country. The children enjoyed telling us all about where they came from and the different traditions they knew about.



School Council Eco Hero Shop

Our first Eco Hero Shop event was a fantastic success! The children were very excited to take part and showed great enthusiasm for our eco-friendly products. We would also like to say a huge thank you to all the parents and carers for their support and encouragement. We are very proud to announce that the School Council raised £57.71 profit from the event! The School Council are already looking forward to planning their next Eco Hero Shop event and continuing to promote ways we can help care for our world.



Prayer Leader Caritas Value Award

The Prayer Leaders have continued to award their termly Caritas Value award for children who have demonstrated love and care for others.



School's Association- Summer Fayre

Thank you very much if you attended the summer fayre it was a great evening. The Schools Association raised a magnificent £4088 for the school.



Year 6 Leaver's Mass

Father Joseph Chacko celebrated a wonderful Year 6 Leaver's Mass in the final week of the term. It provided an opportunity to give thanks and celebrate their time at Saint Joseph's and to wish them well on their onward faith journey in secondary school.

A Prayer for the Summer for Our School Community

Heavenly Father,
We thank You for the many blessings of this school year,
for all we have learned,
the friendships we have shared,
and the ways we have grown together.
As we begin the summer holidays,
watch over every member of our school community.
Keep us safe in Your loving care,
refresh us through times of rest and joy,
and help us to recognise Your presence
in the beauty of creation and in the kindness of others.
Be close to those who are facing difficulties,
bringing them Your peace, strength and hope.
Renew our hearts during this holiday,
and bring us back together in the new school year
ready to learn, to serve,
and to live as faithful disciples of Your Son.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*The staff and pupils at Saint Joseph's Infant and Junior Schools
would like to thank you for your support across this year.*

*We look forward to continuing to work together
to develop the Catholic Life and Mission of our school*

in the next academic year.

Have a lovely summer holiday.

