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Saint Joseph's Infant and Junior Schools **Parental Newsletter Friday 17th July 2026**

The Value for July – Gratitude

**Autumn Term
begins for all pupils
in**

Years 1-6

Thursday 3rd

September

**Nursery and
reception pupils
have individual
start dates.**

**Breakfast Club
will run**

Thursday- Friday

7:45-8:30 a.m.

**Junior School Hall-
registration required**

**Please note the
change of location**

**After
School/Homework
Club will run in the
Junior School**

Thursday- Friday

3:30 -4:15p.m

**No outside provider
clubs the
first week back**

As another school year draws to a close, we would like to thank all of our pupils, families, staff and governors for the many ways you have contributed to our school community. Your support, kindness and commitment have helped make this year one of learning, achievement and shared success.

Together we have celebrated many milestones, embraced new challenges, and created lasting memories. We are truly grateful for the partnership we share with our families, which continues to enrich the life of our school.

To those who are moving on to new schools, new opportunities, or the next stage of their journey, we thank you for being such an important part of our community. We wish you every happiness and success in the future, and you will always remain in our prayers.

We hope the summer holidays bring you time to rest, enjoy precious moments with family and friends, returning refreshed for the year ahead. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the autumn for another exciting chapter in our school journey.

Have a happy, peaceful, and safe summer.

Catholic Life and Mission Newsletter- Summer 2026

Along with this newsletter you have also been sent the Catholic Life and Mission Newsletter for the summer term.

Staffing

We bid farewell to Mrs. Horan who has worked across both schools for the last six years. We also say goodbye to Miss. Castro who has been with us in the junior school for five years. We thank them both for their hard work and wish them well in their future paths.

Parental Prayer Group

The next prayer group will be in the autumn term on Friday 4th September from 8:30a.m.

Admissions Current Year Groups and September 2026

We currently have some vacancies in both schools in some year groups. If you know of anyone needing a school place, please ask them to contact the office in September.

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>



Uniform Exchange



We will continue to offer a uniform exchange next year. We would appreciate you donating any uniform still in good condition to add to our store of clothes. If you donate and would like something in exchange do not forget to put a note in with your request.

Equipment for new school year

Please could you send in a box of tissues and a Pritt stick /glue stick with your child in September. These items do not need to be named.

Year 6 Leadership September 2026

I am delighted to announce the following children have been appointed to our Year 6 Leadership Team for September

Head Girl: Natalie Bartosiewicz Head Boy: Rikhil Kakollu

Deputy Head Girl: Isabella Ng Deputy Head Boy: Wavell Pires

House Captain Elections

The prospective House Captains made their speeches at assembly this week. Their campaign then continued until the ballot boxes were closed on Thursday. I am delighted to announce the following children were elected as House Captains.

Saint Matthew: Ethan Gorny and Michelle Pinto

Saint Mark: Leah Fernandes and Lowell Fernandes

Saint Luke: Joel Rodrigues and Kyara Pereira

Saint John: Keann Coutinho and Starlan Fernandes

P.E Timetable from September 2026

Please see below for a reminder of your child's P.E days. Children should wear their P.E kit into school on their P.E. days and also if they have a P.E after school club.

Year 1 Saint Teresa and Saint George- Tuesday and Wednesday

Saint John Paul- Monday and Tuesday

Year 2 Saint Christopher and Saint Angela- Tuesday and Friday

Year 3 Saint Catherine- Wednesday and Thursday

Year 3 Saint Jude- Thursday and Friday

Year 4 Saint Mary and Saint Francis- Monday and Friday

Year 5 Saint Joan of Arc and Saint Maximilian Kolbe- Monday (swimming) and Wednesday

Year 6 Saint Faustina and Saint Vincent De Paul- Tuesday and Friday

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 6 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.

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and we try our best to support you particularly in terms of the dangers that children may encounter online. If you have any concerns, please contact me. All school staff have regular training. I remind you of the Designated Safeguarding Staff who have had additional higher-level training in safeguarding.



Online Safety

Each week we will include a link to an information sheet. I have included the National Online Safety guide on 'Staying Safe this Summer'. Please see page 7.



Weekly Attendance Award

The children who have not had a day off the entire school year were awarded the 100% attendance certificate in assembly today. Congratulations on this amazing achievement!

Saint Patrick

Chrissy Cardozo
Reina Fernandes

Saint Teresa

Wiktorina Chrominska
Bryan D'Costa

Saint George

Vlad Moisa

Saint John Paul

Jinil Kurumuttathu

Saint Christopher

Berwin D'Costa
Aeden Fernandes
Kaleb Rebelo



Saint Angela

Zac Fernandes
Velrica Souza

Saint Catherine

Joshua Fernandes
Chris Fernandes
Valentina Dias

Saint Jude

Alrea Moniz
Lois Adjei

Saint Mary

Ayden Gracias

Saint Francis

Maisie Robinson-Murray
Savio Oliveira
Dashawan Gomes
Roseford Fernandes
Jakub Chrominski

Saint Joan of Arc

Bresha D'Costa

Saint Maximilian Kolbe

Rashawn Fernandes

Saint Faustina

Elora D'Souza
Clarissa Cabral

There have been many children who have left early to go on holiday this week. Please adhere to the school holiday dates or you risk a fine. Thank you for your support with this.

School begins again on Thursday 3rd September for all pupils in Years 1-6.

Nursery and reception pupils have their own admission dates.

A Prayer as the Summer Holidays Begin

Loving Father,
As we come to the end of another school year,
we thank You for all that we have learned,
the friendships we have shared,
and the many blessings You have given us.
As the summer holidays begin,
be with every member of our school community.
Keep us safe wherever we go,
fill our days with joy, rest, and laughter,
and help us to grow in kindness and love.
Bless those who may find this holiday difficult.
May they know Your comfort, peace and hope.
Refresh our hearts over the weeks ahead,
and bring us back together
in the new school year ready to learn, to serve,
and to share Your love with others.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

*Have a lovely
summer holiday.
Best wishes
Mrs. Whelan*



**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.

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

STAY SAFE ONLINE THIS SUMMER

How many tips can you find?

UNSURE? ASK A TRUSTED ADULT

DON'T GIVE OUT PERSONAL INFO

MAKE TIME FOR OTHER HOBBIES

IGNORE TROLLS & BULLIES

WATCH OUT FOR FAKE NEWS

AVOID SCROLLING AIMLESSLY

BE KIND

REACT AND COMMENT POSITIVELY

BUYING ONLINE? SPEND CAUTIOUSLY

REPORT BAD ONLINE BEHAVIOUR

TAKE REGULAR SCREEN BREAKS

ACCEPT PEOPLE'S DIFFERENCES

THINK TWICE BEFORE POSTING

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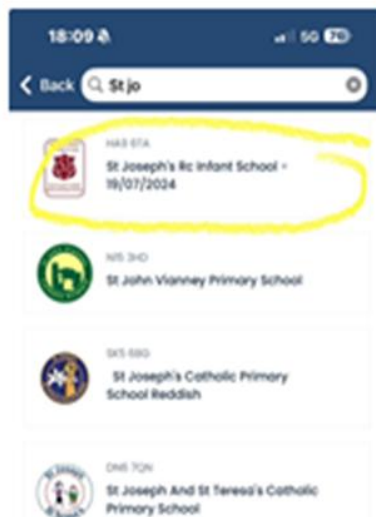
 News and message notifications

 School calendar access

 Other links to useful resources



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Search for our school by searching st jos. It is labelled the infant school but it is for both the infant and junior schools.



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