




Catholic Federation of Schools  
**St Joseph & St Teresa's Catholic Primary School**  
**Newsletter**

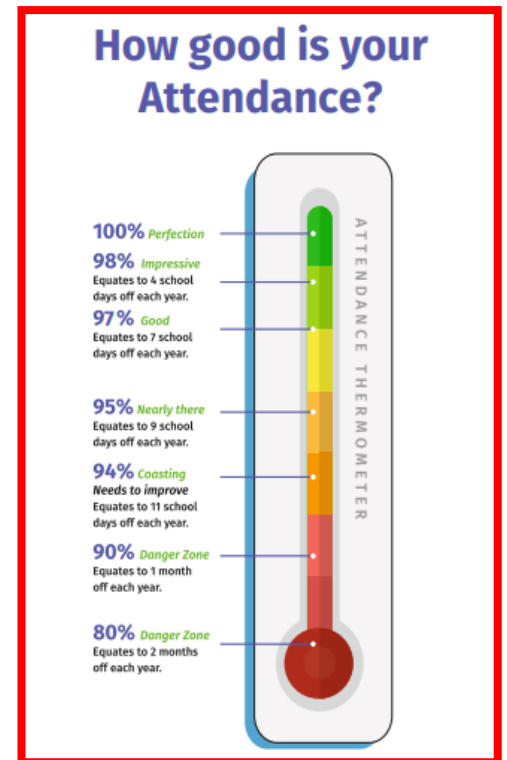
5<sup>th</sup> December 2025

Love God, love our community, share kindness.



### Attendance

Class	Class Attendance for the week ending: 21/11/25	Lates	Class Attendance for the week ending: 28/11/25	Lates
St Teresa	95%	0	91.3%	0
St Patrick	90%	1	95.1%	0
St Andrew	96.2%	4	93.3%	1
St David	94.8	1	96.8%	4
St George	92.6%	1	95.2%	3
	Well done to St Andrew's class who achieved the highest attendance this week.		Well done to St David's class who achieved the highest attendance this week.	
Overall attendance	93.7%		94.3%	



**Our Whole School Target for Attendance is at least 96%.**

**We really appreciate your support with getting your children into school and on time each day.**

**Let's work together to consistently get above 96%.**



## Advent

This weekend we start our journey through Advent. We continue our journey through Advent through our daily reflections in class and the Travelling Cribs have been sent home (giving families an opportunity to pray and reflect together).

### St Teresa's Class Nativity

Wednesday 10th December at 9.15am

(Reception and Beginning of the Week Nursery children)

Admission is by ticket only and they are available from the school office.



### St Patrick & St Andrew's Classes Nativity

St Patrick and St Andrew's classes will be performing their Nativity on

Wednesday 17th December at 2.00pm.

Admission is by ticket only.

### St David & St George's Classes Carol Service

St David and St George's classes will be performing their carol service on

Thursday 18th December at 2.00pm.

Admission is by ticket only.

### Grandparents Christmas Party

We look forward to be able to once again invite Grandparents in to school for the Christmas party.

To enable as many grandparents to attend as possible, this year, we are having two Grandparents' Parties.

If you are a grandparent of a nursery child who attends school Monday-Wednesday morning, you are warmly invited to the party on **Monday 8th December at 2pm.**

If you are a grandparent of a nursery child who attends school Wednesday afternoon- Friday, you are warmly invited to the party on **Wednesday 10th December at 2pm.**

This is a ticket only event for Grandparents only. Tickets are limited and are available from the office on a first come first served basis.

## Christmas Disco

Our recently re-established Parent Teacher Association is hosting a school disco on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> of December.



St Teresa's & St Patrick's 2.30pm – 3.15pm

St Andrew's, St David's & St George's 3.35pm – 4.25pm

(£2.00 per ticket – included in the price is a hot dog or slice of pizza, a drink and a sweet cone)

Buns/cakes will be available for 50p

**If anyone has an allergy – please let the PTA know so they can accommodate**

Tickets will be sold on the school yard by members of the PTA

## Dojo Dash Day

Dojo Dash Day is on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December.  
Children are invited to come to school in sports clothes with Christmas jumper.



## Christmas Dinner and Christmas Jumper Day

This year's Christmas dinner is on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December** and children from Reception to Year 6 are welcome to have a dinner on that day. Meals are free for pupils in Reception, Y1 and Y2 and those entitled to free school meals. Everyone else should pay on ParentPay in advance. The cost of a school meal is £2.95.



**If your child is usually a packed lunch and would like a Christmas dinner ordering, please let the office know before Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December.**

Children are very welcome to wear a Christmas Jumper on that day.

## Christmas Party Day

This year's Christmas Party Day is on Friday 19th December for all classes. Children are invited to come to school wearing their party clothes and sensible footwear.



## Reception Applications for September 2026

Do you know a family with children looking for a school for September? Applications are through the Doncaster Council Admissions website. The closing date for Reception applications is 15<sup>th</sup> January 2026.



[Please click on the following link:](https://www.doncaster.gov.uk/services/schools/primary-admissions)

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## Headteacher Awards

Class	W/E: 28/11/25
<b>St Teresa</b>	<b>Joseph</b> for amazing effort and improvement in writing.
<b>St Patrick</b>	<b>Arbie</b> for outstanding effort and listening within our maths lessons.
<b>St Andrew</b>	<b>Tymon</b> for showing brilliant listening skills and participation during the whole lesson.
<b>St David</b>	<b>Olivia</b> for producing outstanding work in maths and English. Her work is an absolute joy to read.
<b>St George</b>	<b>Ellie</b> for making a decision to improve her maths and showing commitment and determination to achieve her best.

## Sports Personality Award

Class	W/E: 28/11/25
<b>St Teresa</b>	<b>Bobby</b> for fantastic effort when practicing ball skills with his buddy.
<b>St Patrick</b>	<b>Lenny</b> for showing superb recall of dance routine.
<b>St Andrew</b>	<b>Dalton</b> for superb listening throughout the whole lesson. Fantastic involvement and confidence to perform his routine to the class.
<b>St David</b>	<b>Mia</b> for showing determination and resilience when trying to master a handstand in after school club.
<b>St George</b>	<b>Roman</b> for brilliant leadership and organisation to help support his group in performing their routine in unison.

## Heart of Gold Awards

Class	Pupil's Name	Statement 10/11/25	Pupil's Name	Statement 17/11/25
St Teresa	Fletcher	I have hopes and dreams that we can all work for a better world.	Anastazja	I can wait and I can use strategies to keep myself calm.
St Patrick	Luca		Clover	
St Andrew	Oliver		Asahd	
St David	Evelyn		Freya	
St George	Karol		Max	



Class	Pupil's Name	Statement 24/11/25
St Teresa	Marnie	I am patient with myself when I make mistakes and with others when they make mistakes.
St Patrick	Gabby	
St Andrew	Harvey	
St David	Alisha	
St George	Kashana	



## St Joseph & St Teresa's School Holidays 2025~26

School re-opens	School closes at the end of the school day
Wednesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> September 2025	Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025
Monday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2025	Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025
Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2026
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2026	Thursday 26 <sup>th</sup> March 2026
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> April 2026	Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2026
Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> July 2026

**Bank holidays: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2026**

**Training Days:**

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025**

**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2025**

**~~Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2026~~ – please note: date change Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March**

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2026**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026**



### Dates for the Diary

Date	Event
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> December	Grandparent's Party – 2.00pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	Grandparent's Party- 2.00pm
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>Foundation Stage Nativity – 9.15am</b> <b>(Reception and Beginning of the Week children only)</b>
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Dojo Dash Day
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Disco  St Teresa's & St Patrick's 2.30pm – 3.15pm  St Andrew's, St David's & St George's 3.35pm – 4.25pm
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> December	Danum Museum – St George's
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas Dinner Day
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> December	St Patrick's and St Andrew's Nativity – 2.00pm
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> December	St George's and St David's Carol Service – 2.00pm
Christmas Holiday	Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December – Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> January 2026
Wednesday 28 <sup>th</sup> January 2026	Crucial Crew – Year 6
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Young Voices
Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> February	National Coal Mining Museum – St Andrew's
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February ~ Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2026	Year 6 – PGL Residential
Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> June – Thursday 11 <sup>th</sup> June 2026	Austerfield Residential – Year 4
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> July – Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> July 2026	Gulliver's Valley – Residential – Year 5