



**Our school is a family of faith, hope, love,
fun and learning for all.**

Newsletter

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A message from Mrs Gum

Winter has most definitely arrived!

We will continue to make use of the outdoors even when the weather is cold. Please ensure that your child brings a warm coat with them to school each day, along with gloves and a hat. In the event of snow, children will only be allowed outside to play in the snow if they have an appropriate **change** of footwear. Please ensure that all items are clearly labelled with your child's name.

Today we have formally joined Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Multi Academy Trust (OLHOC). St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Voluntary Aided ceases to exist and we are now St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Voluntary Academy. Mark Mountcastle, CEO of OLHOC, came out to visit school this afternoon and to welcome us into the trust. We are excited about the future and the benefits that will be gained from being part of Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Multi Academy Trust.

Attendance Whole School

94.7%

1st Place

Miss L Bennett's Class

98.4%

2nd Place

Miss C Bennett's Class

97.9%

3rd Place

Mrs Di Vito's Class

97.4%

School Meals

If you have not already done so we would really appreciate your feedback on our school meals. From the school's perspective the school kitchen is working extremely well with a significant reduction in the amount of food waste. We need to gather feedback from children, staff and parents to ensure that we offer what is going to be eaten.

[SCHOOL MEALS SURVEY](#)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 5th December

Mini Vinnies singing at Hazelmere 10am

Wednesday 6th December

Nursery to visit the Library

Year 5 & 6 Basketball event

Thursday 7th December

Mini Vinnies Coffee afternoon 2.30pm

Sunday 10th December

Pensioners Christmas Lunch

Tuesday 12th December

KS1 Nativity 10am

Wednesday 13th December

KS1 Nativity 2pm

PTA Christmas Disco 5pm

Friday 15th December

Year 5 & 6 to Story House in Chester

Monday 18th December

EYFS Stay & Pray 8.45am

PTA Christmas Bake Off

PTA Cake Sale 3:15pm

Tuesday 19th December

Stay & Pray KS1

Wednesday 20th December

Stay & Pray LKS2

Christmas Jumper Day

Christmas Dinner

Elf Run

Thursday 21st December

Stay & Pray UKS2

Lunch Menu

Week 1

Forest School

Monday 4th
December

Year 4

Monday 11th
December

Year 3

Monday 18th
December

Year 2

Letters and Reminders

Reception applications for September 2024 must be submitted by **15th January**. Please ensure that you apply on time via [CWAC Admissions](#).

Don't forget to order your child's Christmas Lunch by 7th December.

ATTENDANCE AND PUNCTUALITY

The Governing Board have agreed that authorisation will **NOT** be given for **ANY** holidays taken in term time. Requests for authorised absence must be made using the absence request form at least 4 weeks in **advance** of the absence. Please refer to the Attendance Policy on the school website. St Joseph's has adopted the Winsford Education Partnership Policy. Please ensure that your child is in school ready to learn by 8:45am each day.

Friends of St Joseph's

PTA

**Tonight is Quiz Night.
Teams can enter on the night.
£10 a team.
Upcoming Events**

Wednesday 13th December
Christmas Disco 5pm - £1 entry
Monday 18th December
St Joseph's Christmas Bake Off -
£2 an entry
Cake Sale 3:15pm

Reception 2024

Applications

Applications for Reception places for September 2024 must be submitted by **15th January**.

Please ensure that you apply on time via

[CWAC Admissions](#).

Late applications may result in your child being placed in a school that is not your first choice.

P positivity
R respect
I independence
D determination
E enthusiasm

Sunday's Gospel Mark 13:33-37

"Be on your guard, stay awake, because you do not know when the end time will come."



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