



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

Newsletter

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A message from Mrs Gum

It has been wonderful to hear from teachers how positive the parent meetings on Tuesday were. The majority of parents had signed up for a meeting, however a few parents failed to attend the scheduled appointment. School life continues to be very busy and as we are fast approaching December, we are finalising plans for the festive season and will communicate these to parents at the earliest opportunity. There are a number of trips, visits and residential visits planned and whilst we understand that finances are tight for many people, especially at this time of year, we will unfortunately be forced to cancel plans if they are not financially viable. We are only able to offer these opportunities with your support. I have continued to work closely with Cheshire West and Chester, DfE and Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Academy Trust; the DfE have set all parties a conversion date of 1st December 2023. I have a further meeting on Monday where I hope that this date will be confirmed. This has been an incredibly onerous process for myself and Governors and we are very much looking forward to becoming part of this Multi Academy Trust.

Attendance Whole School

95%

1st Place

Mrs Wilkie's Class

98.7%

2nd Place

Miss C Bennett's Class

98.2%

3rd Place

Mr Sutton's Class

97.5%

WORLD DIABETES DAY

We will be marking World Diabetes Day on **Tuesday 14th November** and we are inviting all children to wear something **blue**.

A £1 donation should be made via School Gateway. All funds will be donated to Diabetes UK.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 13th November

Anti Bullying Week

Tuesday 14th November

8:45am Parent Budgeting Workshop

Wear Blue for Diabetes

2pm Year 3/4 Girls Football Competition

Wednesday 15th November

Bikeability for Year 5

Year 1 trip to Nantwich Museum

Year 5 & 6 to Winsford Library

Mrs Di Vito's Class Assembly 2.30pm

Thursday 16th November

Bikeability for Year 5

Year 2 trip to Nantwich Museum

Choir to St Nicholas Music Festival

Friday 17th November

10am KS2 Boccia Competition

Bikeability for Year 5

Monday 20th November

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Tuesday 21st November

8:45am Parent Budgeting Workshop

Wednesday 22nd November

Miss Butterfield and children to Hebden Green

2:30pm Year 5/6 football at High Street

Thursday 23rd November

MHST Sleep Workshop 9am

4pm Year 5/6 Basketball competition

Friday 24th November - INSET DAY

Lunch Menu after half-term

Week 1

Forest School

Monday 13th
November

Nursery

Monday 20th
November

Year 6

Monday 27th
November

Year 5

Letters and Reminders

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

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

Upcoming Events

Thursday 23rd November - Non-uniform Day - £1

Friday 1st December - Quiz Night (adults only)

Wednesday 14th December - Christmas Disco 5pm - £1 entry

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

The PTA will also be offering refreshments and a raffle at the KS1 Nativity performances.

Please click to read the [PTA Terms of Reference](#)

You can contact the PTA directly via
pta@stjosephs.cheshire.sch.uk

P positivity
R respect
I independence
D determination
E enthusiasm

Sunday's Gospel—Matthew 25:1-13

'So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'



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