

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

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# A message from Mrs Gum

Christmas came early to St Joseph's this week. On Tuesday we received a call from M&M Theatre offering us a free performance of 'A Christmas Carol' due to a late cancelation in the area. The theatre came to school on Wednesday morning and the feedback from both staff and children was amazing. It was apparently 'The best performance we have ever had in school!'. We are pleased to be inviting the theatre company back in the Summer Term. Miss Butterfield took 10 children to Hebden Green School on Wednesday and they worked alongside other children from Hebden Green School and Over Hall Primary School to create lanterns for the Winsford Town Christmas light switch on. Miss Butterfield and the children will be attending the lantern parade this evening along with representatives from all of the Winsford primary schools. Key Stage 1 have also started preparations for the Nativity performances in a couple of weeks time. Thanks to all of the parents who purchased Christmas cards and festive items. Your purchases have raised £123 for school which will be used to purchase resources to enhance Prayer and Liturgy.

# Attendance Whole School

94.7%

#### 1st Place

Mrs Di Vito's Class 98.8%

#### 2nd Place

Miss L Bennett's Class 98.7%

#### 3rd Place

Miss C Bennett's Class 96.4%

# **School Meals**

The school operation of the kitchen providing school meals is working extremely well. The amount of there has been an increase in the number of children having school meals. We would like to gather feedback from children, staff and

waste has reduced significantly and parents. Please click the link below to complete the parent survey.

**SCHOOL MEALS SURVEY** 

### 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

The Non Uniform Day on 23rd November raised £220.

> **Upcoming Events** Friday 1st December

Quiz Night (adults only) Wednesday 13th December Christmas Disco 5pm - £1 entry

Monday 18th December St Joseph's Christmas Bake Off -

£2 an entry Cake Sale 3:15pm

### **Term Time Absences**

We are being inundated with requests for term time absences

The impact of absences on a child's progress is significant and if a child is absent for a holiday they will not have the opportunity to catch up on lost learning and as a result may have gaps that impact their understanding and progress in the future.

# DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 27th November

Year 6 to Robinwood

Tuesday 28th November

Year 6 to Robinwood

Wednesday 29th November

Year 6 to Robinwood

Mrs Di Vito's Class Assembly 2.30pm

Friday 1st December

PTA Quiz Nigh

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 Bakeoff

PTA Cake Sale 3.15pm

positivity

respect

independence

D determination

enthusiasm

# Sunday's Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

'Whatever you did for my brothers and sisters in need, you did for me.'

Lunch Menu after half-term

Week 3

#### **Forest School**

Monday 27th November

Year 5

Monday 4th December

Year 4

Monday 11th December

Year 3

#### Letters and Reminders

Reception applications for September 2024 must be submitted by 15th January. Please ensure that you apply on time via

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

CWAC Admissions.



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