



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

Newsletter

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A message from Mrs Gum

What a week it has been at St Joseph's! As always school has been a hive of activity with lots of wonderful teaching and learning opportunities. On Wednesday night we had the recreation of Noah's Ark in school. The heavy rain on Wednesday caused water to rise in school and also to leak through the roof. Mr Sutton's classroom and the Key Stage 1 wet area were a wash with water and swimming costumes would have been an appropriate school uniform. I am now working with the roofing contractors, the diocese and OLHOC to try and prevent such an issue occurring again and to work out how we repair the damage that has been caused. This may, unfortunately, delay the date with which Mrs Williamson and Mr Sutton's classes are able to move back into their classrooms. They are working exceptionally well in the hall and staff have identified practices of working together that they will continue with once they return to the classrooms.

Attendance **Whole School**

94.1%

1st Place

Mrs Di Vito &
Miss Howard's Class

95.8%

3rd Place

Miss Raymond's Class

95.5%

SCHOOL GATEWAY

Not all parents and carers are using the School Gateway app. All communications sent via the app do not incur a cost. School are otherwise charged per text message. Payments and club bookings are much simpler if done so via the app. If you are not already using the app please support school and download it. Speak to the office if you require any assistance.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 7th February

Key Stage 1 Judo Assembly

Monday 12th February

Key Stage 2 France Residential

8:45am EYFS Stay and Read

Tuesday 13th February

Key Stage 2 France Residential

8:45am Key Stage 1 Stay and Read

Wednesday 14th February

Key Stage 2 France Residential

Ash Wednesday

8:45am Lower Key Stage 2 Stay and Read

Thursday 15th February

Key Stage 2 France Residential

8:45am Upper Key Stage 2 Stay and Read

Friday 16th February

Key Stage 2 France Residential

SCHOOL CLOSING FOR HALF TERM

Monday 26th February

SCHOOL OPENS

Lunch Menu

Week 2

Forest School

7th February
Reception

14th February
Nursery

28th February
Reception

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.

Letters and Reminders

[SPRING MENU](#)

FOREST SCHOOL

I know that Mr Lewis is working on a plan to move forwards with Forest School and I hope to have an update after half term. Forest School is an invaluable resource but it has to work in the right way for St Joseph's.

Friends of St Joseph's PTA

Upcoming PTA Events

Friday 9th February

Quiz and Chips Night
7pm £10 a team

Sunday 31st March

Easter Party @ Meadowbank

Further details and times will follow in due course.

P positivity
R respect
I independence
D determination
E enthusiasm

Sunday's Gospel Mark 1:29-39

"Let us go somewhere else - to the nearby villages - so I can preach there also. That is why I have come."



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