



St Joseph's Catholic Academy



Friday 11th April 2025

Dear Families,

Well we have come to the end of another wonderful term at St Joseph's and there has been so much to celebrate this term. Firstly we would like to say a huge well done to all the children for their hard work, determination and positive attitude towards their learning. We have seen great progress in all their subjects this term and their desire to produce the best work that they can shines through in all that they do. Well done to every child in our school – we are so proud of all you have achieved this term.

A huge well done must also go to our Year 3 and 4 children for their incredible retelling of the Easter story, 'Good News'. They spoke, acted and sang with such conviction and joy, it was a true pleasure to watch. Thank you to Mr Hooley, Miss Edwards, Mrs Thompson, Mrs Trappitt, Mrs Berrio, Mrs Rusling and Mrs Buzzard for preparing the children so well.

Moments of Pride

Thank you for the wonderful homework projects that you have supported your children in creating. We know that these wonderful projects are only possible with your creative support. It was lovely to show them all off at our Open Classroom on Wednesday. Thank you to everyone who was able to join us on the day – the children really do love being able to share their learning with you.



Holy Communion

We are very excited to let you know that some of our Year 3 and 4 children will be making their First Holy Communion on **Saturday 21st June 2025**. On this special day, following our St Joseph's tradition, we would like to invite the parents of the children who made their First Holy Communion last year to kindly volunteer this year to help set up and serve the Holy Communion breakfast in the Church Hall. We really appreciate this parental support and it makes a huge difference in helping the day to run smoothly. If you are available to help on this day, please do contact the school office to let us know. Thank you in advance.

Wishing you all a wonderful Easter break. We hope that you have a joyful feast day, filled love and special family time together.

God bless,
Mrs Dabbs

Key dates for your diary:

Easter Holidays

Monday 14th April – Friday 25th April: School Closed

Monday 28th April Return to school

Monday 12th May Year 6 SATs Week

PTFA Summer Fete – Saturday 17th May 2025

Tuesday 20th May Open Classrooms – RE

Tuesday 20th May Family Prayer Group at 3:30pm

Friday 23rd May Pentecost Parties in school

Half Term Break

Monday 26th May – Friday 30th May: School Closed

Monday 2nd June Return to school

SPORTS DAY – Wednesday 2nd July 2025
(Foundation, Y1 & Y2 morning / Y3-Y6 afternoon)

Our Lady of Victories – Holy Week Services

Thursday 10 April 2025 - Penitential Service with visiting Confessors at 7.30 pm

Palm Sunday - Mass: Saturday 6.00 pm and Sunday 10.00 am with Blessings of Palms and Procession.

Wednesday 16 April - Chrism Mass at 11.30 am at St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham.

Maundy Thursday - Mass of the Last Supper at 7.00 pm

Good Friday - Ecumenical Witness: Easter Live on the Square 11.00 am

Liturgy of the Passion - 3.00 pm

Stations of the Cross - 7.00 pm



Easter Vigil on Saturday: 8.00 pm

First Mass of Easter - Mother of all Masses

Easter Sunday: Mass at 10.00 am

An Easter Prayer

That you gave your one and only Son,
that we might be called your children too.
Lord, help us to live in the gladness and
grace of Easter Sunday, everyday.
Let us have hearts of thankfulness
for your sacrifice.
Let us have eyes that look upon
your grace and rejoice in our salvation.
Help us to walk in that mighty grace
and tell your good news to the world.
All for your glory do we pray, Lord,

