



Friday 4th July 2025

Dear Families,

What an exciting week we have had! The children all enjoyed meeting their new teachers during their moving up day on Tuesday – but I think the teachers enjoyed meeting their new classes even more! As we are starting to think about the new academic year, there are a couple of important reminders that we would like to give to all families.

School Uniform

We will continue to invite the children to wear their PE kits to school on their PE days, we will update you with class PE days in the new year. For Thursday 28th and Friday 29th August, please can children all wear their [school uniform](#) to school as there won't be PE on these days. Please make sure that your children come to school on the first day wearing either a **school jumper or cardigan with the school logo, black shoes and from Year 1 upwards a school tie. Summer dresses can also be worn as an alternative to grey trousers / shorts / skirts in the warmer months.**

We also ask that all children use the school rucksack which they have been generously gifted from the PTFA. All children from Year 3 upwards must use their school rucksack and for the first time this year our Foundation children have been gifted a rucksack to use from day 1 as we gradually phase out book bags and PE bags. Thank you for your understanding and support with this, at St Joseph's school uniform is very important to us as it helps build a sense of school pride and community. When everyone wears the same outfit, it shows we are all part of the same team!

Toys

We are so thrilled at how well the children have been using their trading cards in school, they have all followed the rules and it has been wonderful to see children from all different classes working collaboratively to trade cards in a kind and fun way! We will continue with trading cards year, however **we do kindly ask that children do not bring toys to school.**

Toys can be a distraction during learning time, may cause conflicts among children, and sometimes get lost or broken, leading to upset feelings. Not all children have the same toys, so keeping them at home helps maintain fairness and focus in the classroom. Thank you for your understanding and support

Parking

From next week, we will be issuing our brand-new parking permits for the new academic year. We strongly encourage all parents to take advantage of this free [parking](#) option at the Commons Car Park, as it helps reduce congestion around the school and makes it safer for children to walk to and from school.

To further support our children's safety, the Governors have proposed that **from August** all families enter the school grounds through the **Coventry Road gate only**. As a result, the **Nelson Street gate will not be open in the mornings**. Thank you for your continued support in helping us create a safe and smooth start to each school day.

Wishing you all a wonderful weekend and we look forward to celebrating the last week of the academic year with you all next week!

God bless, Mrs Dabbs

Key dates for your diary:

Monday 7th July Year 5 & 6 production of Oliver in school at 1:30pm

Wed 9th July Music Day in school for the children

Wed 9th July Year 6 Leavers' Mass in church at 6pm

Thursday 10th July – End of year Mass at 10am

Friday 11th July LAST DAY OF THE TERM

Tuesday 26th August INSET Day for Staff

School CLOSED for the children

Wednesday 27th August INSET Day for Staff

School CLOSED for the children

Thursday 28th August Children return to school
(Year 1 to Year 6 | New admissions begin transition)



SPORTS DAY RESULTS!

Congratulations to the children for their fantastic participation in our Sports Day on Wednesday. They were fabulous. Thank you to everyone who came along to cheer them on – your support makes the day very special!

Congratulations to **SPORTS PERSON** in each class:

Foundation: Shawn Dodzo

Year 1: Arthur Smith

Year 2: Millie Pilkington

Year 3: Lottie Amis

Year 4: Alfie Amis

Year 5: Luniva Bajracharya

Year 6: George Fenn

1st St Teresa - 139
2nd St John Paul II - 129
3rd St Oscar Romero - 114
4th St Kateri - 86

Congratulations
to our new
Chaplaincy
Team for
2025 / 2026
We are very
proud of you all!



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