



St Joseph's
CATHOLIC ACADEMY



Believe



Achieve



Succeed

Dear Families,

Friday 11th September 2026

*Love of Neighbour
virtue for
September*

This week, the children have been working hard to show **STEPS** around school:

Smile, Thank You, Excuse Me, Please and Sorry. These simple actions help us to show good manners and respect to everyone in our school community.

You may also notice a small change to the language we use when supporting behaviour. This year, we have replaced our previous **'amber'** and **'red'** consequences with **'reflect'** and **'reset.'**

Our high expectations remain exactly the same. We continue to expect all children to follow our school promises: **Be kind, Work hard and Make the right choices.** What has changed is our emphasis on helping children learn from their mistakes and move forward positively.

Reflect encourages children to pause, think about their choices and consider what they could do differently next time. Reset provides a clear consequence when needed, while also giving children the opportunity to make things right and start afresh. We have already seen the positive impact!

Have a wonderful weekend and God bless, Mrs Dalbis

Updates from St Joe's

PTFA (Parent Teacher and Friends Association)

Will be holding their annual **AGM** on

Friday 25th September at 9am.

EVERYONE welcome

Tea, coffee & cake provided!



The team would love to hear your ideas for next year! What events, activities or fundraising ideas would you and your children like to see? Whether you are new to the school, thinking about joining the committee, helping at events, sharing an idea or simply want to find out more, the team would love to see you!

A message from Fr Chris

The date for this year's Christmas Bazaar

has been set for **Saturday 28th November 2026.**

Please pop the date in your diary and share the date with your friends and family. Located in the Cloister we have placed a "Suggestion Box". We invite everyone across our Church and School community to place any suggestions you have and wish to be included during the Bazaar, into the sealed box. Thank you in advance for participating.



Children's Liturgy at Sunday 10.00am has restarted.

Could parents please note that a registration form must be completed and handed in to Father Chris or a member of the liturgy team before the child starts attending. These will be available by the front door.

Dates for your diary

Tues 22nd Sept Open Classroom (Maths focus)

Please feel free to join your child in their classroom from 8:40-9:30am, where you will be able to see how they have settled into their new class and join in with their Maths lesson! Refreshments will be available in the hall from 9:30-10am. We hope to see many of you there!

Tues 29th Sept Park & Stride Prize Day 8:30am

October is Black History Month

Tues 6th Oct Harvest Mass in School at 9:30am

Mon 12th Oct Parents' Evening from 4:30-7pm

Tues 13th Oct Parents' Evening from 3:30-6pm

(More information about booking your time slot will follow)

HALF TERM

MON 19th October to FRI 23rd October

Mon 26th Oct Back to school

Mon 16th Nov Homework project hand-in day

Thurs 19th Nov Open Classroom (Curriculum focus)

Fri 20th Nov **SCHOOL CLOSED** - Staff training day

Catholic Life

We warmly invite all family, friends and all in our community to the following Mass:

Tuesday 6th October at 9:30am in school

Celebrating Harvest

Again this year, we will be collecting donations for the Jubilee Foodbank for our Harvest offering.

[Click here](#) to look at the items on the shopping list.

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind and love your neighbour as you love yourself."

Luke 10:27