St Joseph's CATHOLIC ACADEMY

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Dear Families,

Friday 20th November 2026

Kindness Virtue for November

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Stars in Your Eyes show last Friday - it was an incredible night! The acts were amazing and we are thrilled to let you know that the MHET (Market Harborough Educational Trust) raised £3000 for our school! It has also been a very exciting week in school, we started the week with our popular ODD SOCKS DAY - it was so heartwarming to see the children proudly celebrate their uniqueness in school. All week the children have been discussing ways that we can make our school the KINDEST school in the world, where every child feels safe and happy. That is our mission and we are committed to supporting every child and adult to start conversations about bullying, to speak up, to listen and take action together.



A Reminder About Arriving To School On Time

*We would like to remind all families of the importance of arriving at school on time each morning. Arriving on time each day is one of the simplest ways to help children succeed at school. The first few minutes of the day are often when teachers welcome children, explain the day's learning and set expectations. Missing this time can leave children feeling unsettled and make it harder for them to fully engage in lessons. If a child arrives just **10 minutes** late every day, the lost learning quickly adds up: nearly an hour lost in **1 week**, the equivalent of 3 lessons in **1 month** and the equivalent of 2 school days in **1 term**.*

Let's work together to make every minute count!

Have a wonderful weekend and God bless, Mrs Dabbs

Updates from St Joe's

A Message from our PTFA – *Your Christmas shopping could help make a difference at St Joseph's, and it won't cost you a penny extra!*

With Black Friday and Christmas shopping just around the corner, now is the perfect time to sign up to easyfundraising. From presents and clothes to your weekly food shop, eligible online purchases can raise FREE donations for St Joseph's PTFA. The price you pay stays exactly the same, but a little donation comes our way!

Even better, new supporters can earn St Joseph's an extra £5 bonus donation when they sign up using our link and raise their first £5!

Every donation helps us get closer to our fundraising goals and make a difference for the children at St Joseph's.

It only takes a couple of minutes to get started. Sign up here and turn your everyday shopping into fundraising!

Attendance and Punctuality

Class	Attendance	Class	Lates
Year 5	98.35%	Year 5	2.75%
Year 3	97.63%	Year 4	2.82%
Foundation	96.97%	Year 1	3.45%
Year 6	95.45%	Year 6	3.9%
Year 2	92.43%	Foundation	3.9%
Year 1	90.91%	Year 2	4.73%
Year 4	88.03%	Year 3	5.53%

Dates for your diary



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

Church Bazaar

SATURDAY 28TH NOVEMBER

Next week, Mr McGlone will be selling raffle tickets on the playground at home time. Tickets are £1 each or £5 per book, so please remember to bring some cash with you. You can also buy raffle tickets from the School Office. Every ticket sold helps support our Parish, while giving you the chance to win one of these fantastic prizes!

Mon 30th Nov: *Whole School Advent Mass in Church*
Tues 1st & Wed 2nd Dec: *Foundation Nativity in Chruch at* ***2pm*** *(all family and friends are welcome to come!)*
Fri 4th Dec *Menphys Carol Concert at De Monfort Hall*
Tues 8th Dec: *Year 1 & 2 Nativity in school* ***2pm*** *&* ***6pm***
Wed 9th Dec: *Year 1 & 2 Nativity in school* ***9:30am***
Mon 14th Dec: *Benediction in Church at* ***11:30am***
Fri 18th Dec: *Christmas Liturgy in Church at* ***9:30am***

Catholic Life



Our Lady of Victories Carol Concert on Sunday 13 December at 3pm

We warmly invite all our families and children to join us and for the first time ever, we are inviting all children to come dressed as their favourite character from the Nativity Story! Whether they choose to be an angel, shepherd, king or even a little donkey, we know they will love being part of this special celebration.