



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Friday 9th May 2025

Mission Statement

We work, learn and grow together in God's love



Congratulations to **Rosie Roberts** for receiving the Headteacher's Award this week. We are very proud of Rosie because she has shown bravery and amazing listening when she had to respond in an emergency at home this week. You are a star, Rosie!

STARS OF THE WEEK

Year Group	Worker of the week	Reading Award	Values Award
Reception	Noah Hoyle	Sebastian Shepherd	Darcy Jones
Year One	Leo Richardson	Molly Hopper	Marcus Dillon
Year Two	Dexter Hopkins	Georgia Dillon	Alice Lees
Year Three	KayIn Muirhead	Phoebe Norris	Alex Lowe
Year Four	Isla Halls	Poppy Law	Maya Middlemas
Year Five	Harry Downes	Polly Parker	Toby Wilkinson
Year Six	Billy Woods	Elliott Girling	Donnie–Dean Johnson

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Dear Year Six,
 SATs don't measure sports
 SATs don't measure art,
 SATs don't measure music,
 Or the kindness in your heart.

SATs don't see your beauty,
 SATs don't know your worth,
 SATs don't see the reasons,
 You were put upon this earth.

SATs don't see your magic,
 How you make others smile,
 SATs don't time how quickly,
 You can run a mile.

SATs don't hear your laughter,
 Or see you've come this far.
 SATs are just a tiny glimpse,
 Of who you really are.

So sitting at your table,
 With a pencil and your test,
 Remember SATs aren't who you are,
 Remember you're THE best!

**Well done for working so hard and we
 wish you lots of luck next week.**

WITH YOU ALWAYS PROGRAMME

The next meeting for the With You Always programme takes place on Monday **May 12th** at the same time of 5:45pm for 6pm.



NEW INTAKE MEETING

The meeting for the families of children starting St Joseph's Reception class in September takes place on Thursday May 15th at 6.00pm. This meeting will provide information about the transition process and future dates for the children.



YEAR THREE TRIP TO BROCKHOLES

Year Three class have their trip to Brockholes on Wednesday 14th May. Information has been shared with more details about this trip. We hope they have a great time!



SPORTS DAY

Weather permitting, Sports Day will take place on **Thursday 22nd May**. KS2 in the morning and KS1 in the afternoon. Times to follow. Everyone welcome!



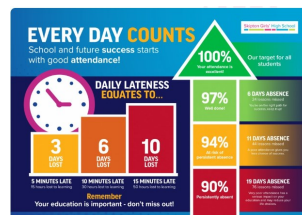
Year Group

Attendance

Reception Class	96.40%
Year 1	97.16%
Year 2	97.67%
Year 3	96.96%
Year 4	98.19%
Year 5	97.20%
Year 6	96.64%

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE

Congratulations to **Year 4** for having the highest attendance this week. Next week any pupils falling below 90% attendance will receive letters in line with Lancashire Authority monitoring expectations.



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Pope Leo XIV



NOTE FROM MISS WALLIS

I am excited to share that during the Summer term, I will be spending six weeks volunteering in Tanzania and one week climbing Mount Kilimanjaro! I am incredibly grateful to Mrs Berry and the School Governors for this wonderful opportunity.

The first three weeks of my trip will be dedicated to working with a non-profit organisation focused on sustainability and eco-awareness. This will be a fantastic chance for me to build upon my Geography subject leadership skills and gain valuable insights that I can bring back to enhance our school's Geography curriculum and eco-awareness initiatives.

Following that, I will spend three weeks volunteering at a school in Arusha, where I will lead and support classes of up to 50 children in various lessons. I hope to make a positive impact on the community and, at the same time, establish a connection between St Joseph's and the school in Tanzania. This partnership will create opportunities for shared learning experiences that will enrich both schools.

In addition to my volunteering, I will be taking on the challenge of climbing Mount Kilimanjaro. While the children in Africa will benefit from my time there, I also wanted to do something special that would benefit the wonderful children here at St Joseph's. At a time when school budgets are tighter than ever, the funds raised will go towards supporting vital educational resources and initiatives that directly enhance your children's learning experiences.

To help make this opportunity possible, I've set up a JustGiving page. Any contributions would mean the world to me and help me make a real difference—both in the lives of the children I'll be working with in Africa and in the education of our own students here at St Joseph's Anderton.

If you would like to contribute or learn more about this opportunity, please visit my JustGiving page below:

[https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/misswallis?
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY— Please check for updates

12 - 15th May	Year 6 SATs	21st June	First Holy Communion @ 10am
14th May	Year 3 to Brockholes	23rd June	Year Five Curriculum Day at Holy Cross
15th May	New Intake meeting in school at 6pm	26th June	Year 3 Assembly—Laudate Si
18th May	Family Mass in Church	1st July	Holy Cross New Intake meeting for Parents
22nd May	Sports Day KS2 9.30 – 12pm EYFS and KS1 1:30—3:15pm (weather dependent)	2nd July	Transition Day for Holy Cross / St Joseph's Year Six Pupils
23rd May	Year 5 Our Lady assembly @ 9.15am – parents carers of Yr 5 are welcome to attend	2nd July	Teddy Bears Picnic - New intake class
23rd May	School closes for half term	6th July	Family Mass
2nd June	School reopens	15th July	Year 6 Leavers' Mass 10am
5th & 6th June	Year 5 Bikeability	15th July	Year Five / Six Production 2pm
6th June	Year 1 Pentecost Assembly	16th July	Year Five / Six production 6pm
15th June	Family Mass	18th July	Year 6 Leavers' Assembly (pm)
19th June	Y3 & Y5 Lancashire Sings (more details to follow)		



Picnic in the Park

Picnic in the Park returns to Astley Park on Sunday 11 May with a VE Day theme!

From 12noon to 4pm all are welcome to bring a blanket, pick a spot and enjoy a picnic on the lawns in front of Astley Hall, plus lots of wonderful free entertainment and activities.

Entertainment and Activities *paid activities

- Fabulous music with 1940's style covers of modern classics, 80's and modern day hits from Sherri and the Speakeasies, The 80's Rewind and Miley Cyrus tribute
- Stalls from local cadet groups and military regiments including 64 Medical Squadron, Chorley Air Cadets and RBL Riders Branch
- Military themed walkabout acts 'The Tank' and 'Toy Soldiers'
- Static Car Rally in partnership with Lancashire Vehicle Club
- Circus Skills from Chorley Schools Sports Partnership
- Make a flag crafting activity
- Vintage dancing from ~~Shincracker~~ Swing
- Fairground rides*
- Face painting*

Parking and travel for Picnic in the Park

- A one-way traffic system will be in place from 11am to 6pm on the day along Chancery Road from the junction with West Way to the roundabout at Euxton Lane. Cars may park along the opposite side of Chancery Road and must refrain from parking on the residential streets surrounding in Astley Village.
- Free car parking will be available on ~~Hallgate~~ car park and ~~Ackhurst Lodge~~ car park (off Southport Road) on a first-come, first serve basis.
- Plenty of free or low-cost parking will be available across the town centre, with a short walk through Astley Park to the event site from the Park Road entrance

Other Picnic in the Park event information

- Picnics are welcome, food and drink will also be available to purchase from vendors on the day
- No barbecues are allowed on the park at any time
- Well-behaved dogs on leads are welcome to the event

For the latest information about Picnic in the Park, please visit: checkoutchorley.com/picnic

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