



# **SJRC News**



**Friday 24th November 2023**

To The St. Joseph's Family,

As with every week, we are proud of the children at St. Joseph's this week. Children in Years 1—6 have shown great resilience and determination, when completing internal assessments. They have tried their best to show what they have learnt so far, which will then allow the adults to help them flourish further in their learning journey.

It may seem early but Christmas has truly begun! The excitement on the children's faces as they entered the hall and the dining hall, which have both been decorated, made me reflect on the awe and wonder that people would have felt when hearing about the coming of Jesus.

As preparations continue for the Advent season, let us not forget the true meaning of Christmas and the awe and wonder that brings.

Mrs Watchorn

(Assistant Headteacher)



## **Road Safety Week**

This week, the children have been learning about the importance of Road Safety. Children across the school have been developing their knowledge of how to cross the road safely. Take a look at the pictures of Reception, practising crossing the road in the local area.



## **Children in Need**

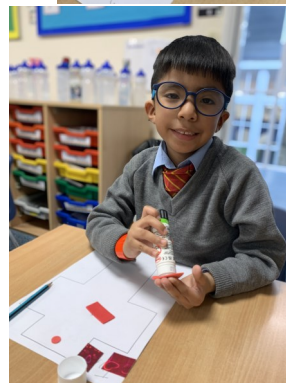
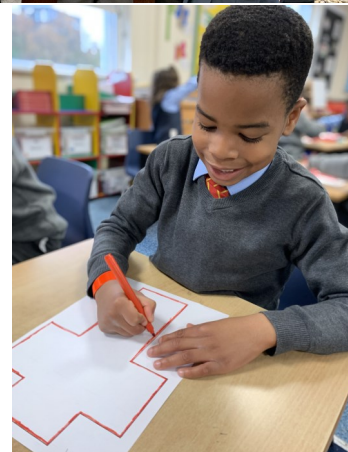
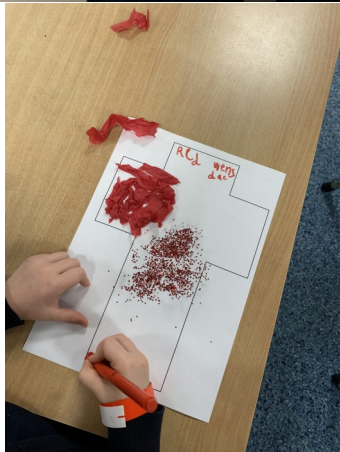
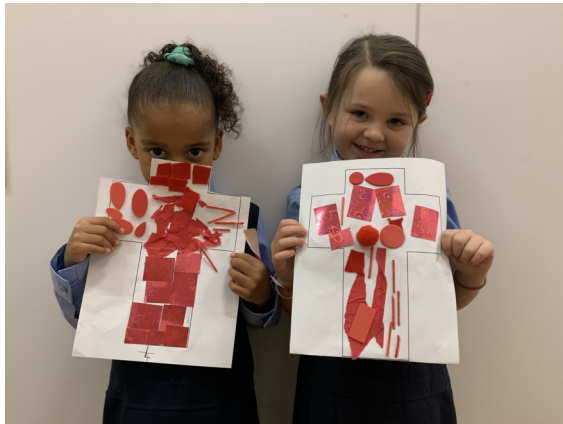
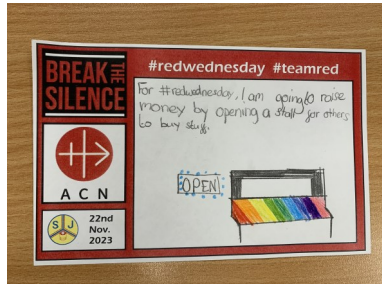
We want to say a HUGE well done to all the children at St Joseph's for raising an INCREDIBLE £1454.47 for Children in Need! This is a phenomenal effort and is going to make a difference in the lives of so many children. Supporting charities such as Children in Need is truly putting our Faith Into Action. Please pass on our thanks to all of your family and friends that sponsored the children.





## Red Wednesday

On Wednesday, St. Joseph's children took part in Red Wednesday, an Aid to the Church in Need initiative which raises awareness of the difficulties faced by Christians around the world who are being persecuted for their beliefs. The children and staff came together in solidarity by wearing red wrist bands, while the children learned about the Red Wednesday campaign and took part in different activities designed to help them understand the importance of the event and their part within the wider Catholic community.



## **Message on behalf of Southwark Holiday Programme Team**

Southwark's Winter of Food and Fun will run across the winter holidays (21<sup>st</sup> December – 5<sup>th</sup> January).

"We are partnering with local holiday club providers across the borough to provide an exciting programme of meals and activities for children and young people in our local communities. Free places are available for children between the ages of 4 and 16 years, who are eligible for free school meals.

Each programme will provide:

- Free, nutritious and tasty food
- Fun physical activity sessions
- A wide range of other enriching activities to suit different ages and personalities
- Opportunities to learn more about food and nutrition

Details about the programme are available at [Healthy eating – Southwark Council](#) We encourage you to register your child/children to ensure they have an enjoyable and memorable winter holiday period. Please visit [Southwark Food and Fun · Eeegu](#) to book a place.



## Reminders



Follow St. Joseph's on Instagram!

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Remember to pop into the office to get your FREE tickets for the Bingo and Quiz night!

(Friday 1st December)



Please drop off any donations of mince pies, mulled wine or hot chocolate to the school office!

Don't forget to purchase your Christmas baubles from the school office for £2.00! Decorate them and bring them back so they can go on the Christmas Tree at school! You will then get them back at the end of term.



The Foodbank is open every  
Wednesday 9:00—9:30am and 2:30 –  
3:00pm



Music  
Fun  
Instruments  
Singing

### Stay and Sing!

You are invited to stay and sing!

Children aged 0 – 4 years old.

Every Monday 9:15am to 10:00am  
(Term Time, from 6th November 2023)

Thames Room,  
St. Joseph's Primary School,  
George Row,  
SE16 4UP

CALL 020 7237 4267 FOR MORE  
INFORMATION

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Come along! Tell family and friends in the local area. We had a fantastic first session this week!

# Coming up!

## **Carols in the Playground**

Only two weeks until the Carols in the Playground! On Friday 8th December, you are invited to stay in the playground from 3:15pm until 4:30pm. There will be a performance from all of KS2 children, music, hot chocolate, mulled wine and mince pies! The raffle will also be drawn! Don't forget to return your raffle tickets! If you have any donations of mince pies / mulled wine for this season, please drop them into the school office.

## **Carol Singing**

Children across KS2 are going to be carol singing throughout December. Permission will need to be given for certain carolling trips that are not in our immediate local area.

Please keep an eye out for any permission forms to ensure that your child can go carolling. The children have been working hard to learn all the songs. If you would like to support the children, here are the confirmed dates so far:

Felton Class – Tuesday 5th December: 12:15—1:00pm (Blue Anchor Library)

Campion Class – Wednesday 6th December: 12:15—1:00pm (Tesco, Surrey Quays)

Fisher Class – Tuesday 12th December: 12:15—1:00pm (Blue Anchor Library)

## **Choir Performance**

You are invited to a performance by our After School Club Choir! This will be on Friday 15th December at 9:45am—10:05am or 10:10am—10:30am. We look forward to welcoming you. Please arrive 5 minutes before the performance time.



## **Dates for the diary**

**Friday 1st December** —St. Joseph's Bingo and Quiz Night (Adults Only) 6pm—9pm

Order your FREE tickets from the school office. This will be a ticketed event to manage numbers.

**Friday 8th December** —Nativity Performance (Reception Parents / Carers) Doors open at 1:30pm. See the letter sent on ParentMail for further details.

**Friday 8th December** —Carols in the Playground 3:15pm—4:30pm (see the poster for further details).

**Monday 11th December** —Nativity Performance (KS1 Parents / Carers) Doors open at 1:30pm. See the letter sent on ParentMail for further details.

**Tuesday 12th December** —Nursery Nativity Performance Doors open at 1:45pm.

**Thursday 14th December** —Key Stage 2 Advent Carol Service 2pm, Most Holy Trinity, Dockhead.

**Friday 15th December** —Choir Performance 9:45am or 10:10am, Upper Hall.

**Tuesday 19th December** —Christmas Parties in school Children can come wearing their party clothes for the day (Look out for details on ParentMail in December).

**Wednesday 20th December** —Last Day of Term School finishes at 2pm.

Dates for  
your diary

## **Birthday Shoutouts**

*We would like to wish those who have celebrated their birthday this week or have a birthday coming up, a very happy birthday!*

**Nahome** — Fisher Class

**David**—Felton Class

**Olivia**—Baptist Class







## **Stars and Superheroes of the Week**



*A massive congratulations to the following children for being awarded Star of the Week in their class today!*

*Well done to;*

***Daniel*** for learning his Nativity lines in **Nursery Class**.

***Aurora*** for learning the Nativity songs and singing them beautifully in **Peter Class**!

***Robyn*** for setting a good example and being a kind friend in **John Paul Class**.

***Matilde*** in **Elizabeth Class** for showing great effort with her class work and homework and being a positive role model for all.

***Leo*** in **Baptist Class** for being a hard worker and sensible member of the class, on the carpet and at the table. He has grown in confidence with his writing and always tries to challenge himself.

***Poppy*** for always being sensible, trying her best and checking her work in **Jerome Class**. She should be very proud of herself!

***Chimamanda*** in **McAuley Class** for taking more responsibility and being more independent with her learning.

***Olamide*** and ***Jordan*** for an outstanding effort in their assessments this week in **Felton Class**.

***Neon*** in **Joseph Class** for trying his best in all his work and working with great enthusiasm, offering excellent ideas in RE and Science.

***Nathalie*** in **Campion Class** for setting good examples of the classroom expectations.

***All children*** in **Dempsey Class** for their resilience towards their assessments this week!

***Toni*** for being a role model and for being thoughtful when doing her class job, ***Vincent*** for being focused and mature during lessons, and ***Susan*** for being focused in lesson time and making good use of the learning time available in **Fisher Class**.

*We are very proud of you all!*



## LAST WEEK'S HOUSE POINTS



**"DO NOT BE ANXIOUS ABOUT ANYTHING, BUT IN EVERY SITUATION, BY PRAYER AND PETITION, WITH THANKSGIVING, PRESENT YOUR REQUESTS TO GOD. AND THE PEACE OF GOD, WHICH TRANSCENDS ALL UNDERSTANDING, WILL GUARD YOUR HEARTS AND YOUR MINDS IN CHRIST JESUS"**

*PHILIPPIANS 4: 6-7*