

A Message from Mrs Nicolaou

The sun has been shining brightly over St Joseph's this week, and we are hopeful that the warmer weather will continue in the days ahead.

Well done to St Rose Class for representing the school so wonderfully on their trip to the Horniman Museum. Thank you also to the parents who accompanied the children—your support is greatly appreciated and makes such a difference to these experiences.

St Joseph Class certainly made a splash during their visit to Lavender Pond this week! It was fantastic to see so many parents supporting the school and joining the trip. It was especially lovely to hear from those of you who had such a wonderful time.

Today, we have had a fantastic time celebrating St Joseph's Day. The children have been busy learning about and celebrating St Joseph the Worker, and we hope they thoroughly enjoy their well-deserved cake treat!

A special thank you to St David Class—what an assembly! They truly sang their way into the "Hall of Fame" and continued our St Joseph's Day celebrations beautifully with their thoughtful focus on workers.

Have a wonderful bank holiday weekend, and I hope you all enjoy the extra day. We look forward to seeing you all bright and early on Tuesday morning.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Mrs Nicolaou

Prayer at Home

O, Lord Jesus.

We pray for a heart that loves you.

Accept our pleas and give us the strength to love others more than we love ourselves.

We thank you for this day.

We thank you for another opportunity.

Amen.





This week's attendance

Regular attendance and punctuality are vital to ensuring that every child achieves their full potential. Raising our attendance to **100% with no late arrivals** is a whole-school priority, and the children are fully aware of this important goal. We are encouraging them to take pride in excellent attendance and punctuality, understanding that every minute of learning counts.

During our weekly Celebration Assembly, we recognise success by announcing the classes with the highest attendance. Classes that achieve **100% attendance** are rewarded with an **extra playtime**, celebrating their commitment and teamwork.

Following consultation with **Southwark Borough**, please note that **no holidays or absences during term time will be authorised by the school**. We kindly ask parents and carers to support us by ensuring holidays are taken outside of term time and that children attend school every day unless they are unwell.

1st Place Class

Attendance Winners this week are St Therese class with 99.5% and will enjoy some extra play-

2nd Place Class

Attendance Winners this week are St Josephine class with 99%

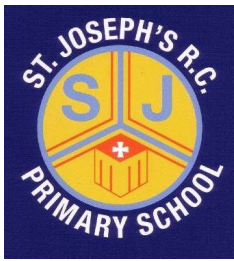
3rd Place Class

Attendance Winners this week are St Rose class with 97.8%

Whole school attendance this week is:

92.4%





St George's Day

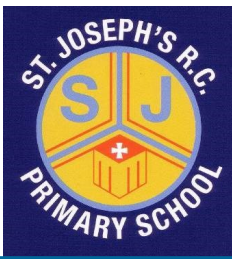


On Tuesday the whole school celebrated St. George's Day. Children and staff came dressed in Red, creating a wonderful sea of colour which helped make this day feel extra special for everyone.

St George's Day is celebrated to honour St George, a Christian martyr and England's patron saint, symbolizing bravery, faith, and national identity.



Check out next weeks newsletter for our St Joseph's day Celebrations.



School Trips



St Joseph's Class went pond Dipping!

This week, St Joseph's class visited Lavender Pond for a fun outdoor learning experience. The children enjoyed pond dipping, where they had the chance to carefully hold tadpoles and learn more about pond life. They also went on a mini-beast hunt, discovering a variety of tiny creatures in their natural habitat. It was a fantastic morning, and everyone had so much fun!

As part of their learning about creatures big and small, they saw amazing flowers in many different colours, thousands of tadpoles and birds, and explored the habitat of tiny newts; inspired by our visit, they then created our own garden and pond.





School Trips



St Rose Class went to visit the Aquarium and Butterfly House!

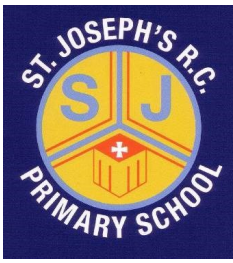
This week, St Rose class visited the Horniman Museum for an exciting and educational trip. The children explored the aquarium, where they saw a wide variety of fascinating sea life, and enjoyed the butterfly house, surrounded by beautiful, colourful butterflies. It was a great day, and everyone had a fantastic time while learning so much about the different animals they encountered.





Extra Curricular clubs

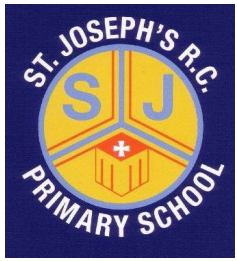




Headteacher's Award

Here at St. Joseph's we are pleased to celebrate our pupils who have received a Headteacher's Award. These pupils have displayed outstanding effort, and positive attitudes to learning. These awards reflect not only academic success, but also kindness, resilience, and a commitment to our school values. We are incredibly proud of all the pupils who received an award and congratulate them on being excellent role models within our school community.





- On Wednesday the 6th May **St Patrick Class** will be going to the science Museum.
- On Wednesday the 13th May **St Joseph Class** will be going to The London Museum Docklands.
- On Thursday the 14th May **St Rose Class** will be going to the Science Museum.

We hope to arrange more trips for more classes.

- *Today we celebrated St Joseph's Day!*
- **Break for May School Holidays**
- **Monday 4th May** is a **Bank Holiday Monday** so school will be closed
- **Friday 22nd May** is our last day of term and will be finishing at normal time. We return to school on **Monday 1st June**.

School Announcements

- **All children should now be wearing their summer uniform**
- **The April edition of the school Newsround is now live on the school website, have a look and see what our Reporters are bringing to you this month**
- **Class photos—links have been sent to all parents and the company are taking orders**
- **School Term Dates for 2026-2027 are now attached and also available on the school website.**



St Joseph's RC Primary School Term Dates 2026/2027



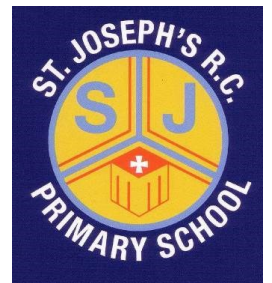
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	School Days
Autumn 1 8 Weeks	September		01	02	03	04	2
	September	07	08	09	10	11	5
	September	14	15	16	17	18	5
	September	21	22	23	24	25	5
	September	28	29	30	01	02	5
	October	05	06	07	08	09	5
	October	12	13	14	15	16	5
	October	19	20	21	22	23	5
	October	26	27	28	29	30	0
Autumn 2 7 Weeks	November	02	03	04	05	06	4
	November	09	10	11	12	13	5
	November	16	17	18	19	20	5
	November	23	24	25	26	27	5
	November	30	01	02	03	04	5
	December	07	08	09	10	11	5
	December	14	15	16	17	18	5
	December	21	22	23	24	25	0
	December	28	29	30	31	01	0
Spring 1 6 Weeks	January	04	05	06	07	08	4
	January	11	12	13	14	15	5
	January	18	19	20	21	22	5
	January	25	26	27	28	29	5
	February	01	02	03	04	05	5
	February	08	09	10	11	12	5
	February	15	16	17	18	19	0
Spring 2 5 Weeks	February	22	23	24	25	26	5
	March	01	02	03	04	05	5
	March	08	09	10	11	12	5
	March	15	16	17	18	19	5
	March	22	23	24	25	26 (GF)	4
	March	29	30	31	01	02	0
	April	05	06	07	08	09	0
Summer 1 7 Weeks	April	12	13	14	15	16	5
	April	19	20	21	22	23	5
	April	26	27	28	29	30	5
	May	03	04	05	06	07	4
	May	10	11	12	13	14	5
	May	17	18	19	20	21	5
	May	24	25	26	27	28	5
	May	31	01	02	03	04	0
Summer 2 7 Weeks	June	07	08	09	10	11	5
	June	14	15	16	17	18	5
	June	21	22	23	24	25	5
	June	28	29	30	01	02	5
	July	05	06	07	08	09	5
	July	12	13	14	15	16	5
	July	19	20	21	22	23	2

INSET DAYS

HOLIDAYS

BANK HOLIDAYS

Communication



Emails

info@stjosephs-georgerow.southwark.sch.uk

To be used for absence reporting, general requests and messages for Class Teachers.

headteacher@stjosephs-georgerow.southwark.sch.uk

To be used for instances where you wish to contact the Headteacher privately. Please do not use this email for absence requests or notifications.

We will endeavour to respond to all emails in a timely manner. Depending on the contents of the email you may be requested to come into the school for a meeting with either the Senior Management Team or the Class Teacher to discuss or follow up further.



Our Instagram account is live and posts regular updates so please give us a follow, our username is [stjosephs_georgerow](https://www.instagram.com/stjosephs_georgerow)

[@sorcatrust](https://www.instagram.com/sorcatrust) is the Instagram page for St Oscar Romero Catholic Academy Trust (formally SELCAT)

