

## A Message from Mrs Nicolaou

What a wonderful week it has been at school!

This morning, we were treated to a fantastic class assembly from St George's Class. The children spoke with such clarity, confidence and expression, and it was clear how much effort they had put into learning their lines. Their singing was absolutely tremendous and filled us all with pride. Thank you to all the parents and family members who came to support the children—it meant so much to them and made the occasion even more special.

Our Year 6 children have also been away this week on their residential visit. I had the pleasure of visiting them and seeing first-hand what a wonderful time they were having. They were happy, enthusiastic and making the very most of every opportunity. Their behaviour, manners and kindness were exceptional, and they truly are a credit to their families and to our school. I know they will return with many happy memories and stories to share.

Finally, I would like to say a heartfelt thank you to our children, staff and parents for the incredible support, resilience and patience shown during this period of extremely hot weather. The children have coped brilliantly, our staff have gone above and beyond to ensure everyone remained safe and comfortable, and your support and understanding have been greatly appreciated.

As we come to the end of another busy week, I wish you all a restful and enjoyable weekend. I look forward to welcoming everyone back on Monday, hopefully with some slightly cooler temperatures!

Mrs M Nicolaou.

### Prayer at Home

Heavenly Father, thank you for the people who love me. Please watch over my family and keep them safe. Bless my friends, too—help us to be kind to one another, to share our toys, and to forgive each other when we make mistakes. 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 Patrick class with 98% and will enjoy some extra playtime!

## 2nd Place Class

Attendance Winners this week are St Joseph class with 97.2%

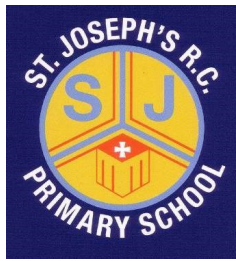
## 3rd Place Class

Attendance Winners this week are St Martin class with 95.3%

Whole school attendance this week is:

**90.1%**

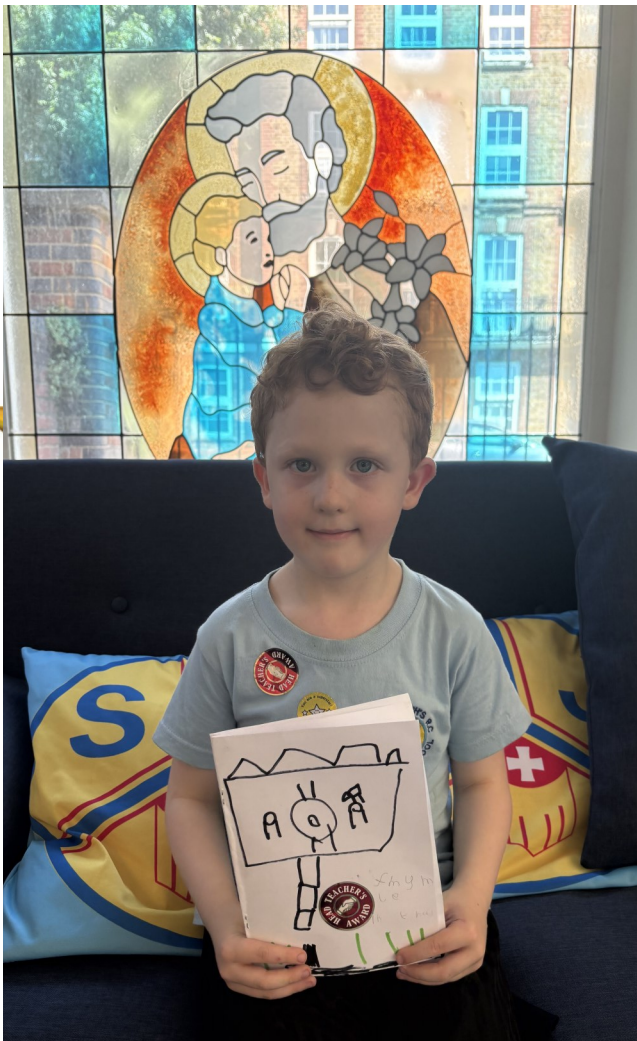


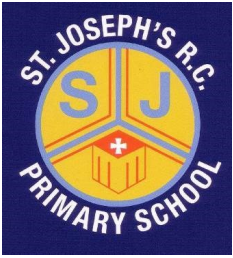


# Headteacher's Award

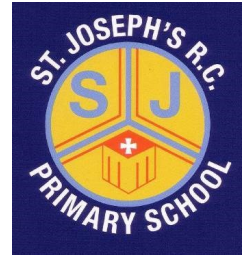


Here at St. Joseph's we are pleased to celebrate our pupils who have received a Headteacher's Award. These pupils have displayed outstanding effort, and positive attitudes to learning. These awards reflect not only academic success, but also kindness, resilience, and a commitment to our school values.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





# Year 6 PGL Trip



This week, our Year 6 class has been on an unforgettable adventure at PGL! From conquering towering climbing walls and tackling exciting obstacle courses to testing their survival skills, hitting the bullseye in archery, and working together to build rafts, every day has been packed with fun, challenge, and adventure.

They've shown incredible determination, teamwork, and resilience, making memories that will last a lifetime. It's been an amazing few days filled with laughter, new experiences, and plenty of smiles - what a fantastic trip!





# A message from The River Canal Trust



We know that during periods of hot weather children and young people can be tempted to enter canals, rivers, reservoirs and other waterways to cool off. Tragically, a number of recent drowning incidents reported across the UK highlight just how quickly this can lead to life-changing or fatal consequences due to the numerous associated risks.

## Water Safety Advice for Families

While canals, rivers, reservoirs, lakes and other waterways may look inviting on a hot day, they often contain hidden dangers, including cold water shock, strong currents, underwater obstacles, deep water, slippery banks and sudden changes in depth.

Please encourage children and young people to:

Never enter canals, rivers, reservoirs or other open waterways to cool off.

Stay well back from the water's edge.

Take extra care around locks, bridges, weirs and steep banks.

Spend time near water responsibly and under appropriate supervision.

## If You Fall Into Water: Float to Live

If you unexpectedly find yourself in difficulty in the water:

Tilt your head back with your ears submerged.

Relax and try to control your breathing.

Use your hands to help you stay afloat.

Once your breathing is under control, call for help or swim to safety if you can.

The instinct to swim hard or fight the water can quickly lead to exhaustion. Floating helps you regain control of your breathing and gives you the best chance of survival.

If you see someone in trouble in the water: Phone, Float, Throw

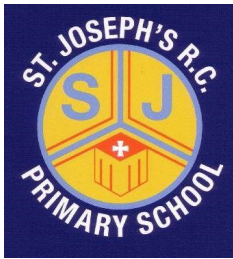
Phone: Call 999 immediately and ask for the Fire and Rescue Service if inland, or the Coastguard if at the coast.

Float: Encourage the person to float on their back and stay calm.

Throw: If it is safe to do so, throw something that floats, such as a lifebuoy, throwline or other buoyant object.

Never enter the water yourself to attempt a rescue.

Thank you for helping us share these potentially life-saving messages with your school community. By working together, we can help ensure that children and young people enjoy the summer safely and return to school in September with happy memories rather than preventable tragedies. We love to see people enjoying our waterways all year round, but it's so important that we do so safely and that swimming is enjoyed in approved locations such as local swimming pools.



# Uniform

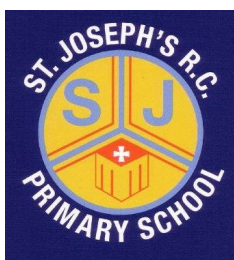


## Uniform Orders

Please note that we currently have the following uniform in stock and available to purchase from the main reception:

Item	In stock for immediate purchase	Available for order	Price
<b>Navy Tracksuit Bottoms</b>			
Size 3-4 (24)	●		£13.00
Size 5-6 (26)	●		£13.00
Size 7-8 (28)	●		£13.00
Size 9-10 (30)		●	£13.00
Size 11-12 (32)		●	£13.00
Size 13 (34)		●	£13.00
<b>Navy Tracksuit tops</b>			
Size 3-4 (24)		●	£11.50
Size 5-6 (26)	●		£11.50
Size 7-8 (28)	●		£11.50
Size 9-10 (30)		●	£11.50
Size 11-12 (32)		●	£11.50
Size 13 (34)		●	£11.50
<b>Blue Polo Top</b>			
Size 3-4 (24)	●		£12.00
Size 5-6 (26)	●		£12.00
Size 7-8 (28)	●		£12.00
Size 9-10 (30)	●		£12.00
Size 11-12 (32)	●		£12.00
Size 12-13 (34)	●		
Size 14-15	●		£12.00
<b>Black PE Shorts</b>			
Size 3-4 (18-20)	●		£6.00
Size 5-6 (22-24)	●		£6.00
Size 7-8 (24-26)		●	£6.00
Size 9-10 (28-30)		●	£6.00
Size 11-12 (30-32)	●		£6.00
<b>Blue PE Top</b>			
Size 3-4 (24)		●	£8.50
Size 5-6 (26)	●		£8.50
Size 7-8 (28)	●		£8.50
Size 9-10 (30)	●		£8.50
Size 11-12 (XS)	●		£8.50
Small	●		£8.50

<b>Boys Grey Jumper with Logo</b>			
Size 3-4 (24)		●	£26.50
Size 5-6 (26)	●		£26.50
Size 7-8 (28)	●		£26.50
Size 9-10 (30)	●		£26.50
Size 11-12 (32)	●		£26.50
Size 13 (34)	●		£26.50
Size 14 (36)	●		£26.50
Size 15 (38)	●		£26.50
<b>Girls Navy Cardigan with Logo</b>			
Size 3-4 (24)		●	£26.50
Size 5-6 (26)		●	£26.50
Size 7-8 (28)	●		£26.50
Size 9-10 (30)		●	£26.50
Size 11-12 (32)		●	£26.50
Size 13 (34)		●	£26.50
Size 14 (36)		●	£26.50
Size 15 (38)		●	£26.50
<b>Navy Reversible Jacket with Logo</b>			
Size 3-4 (24)		●	£27.00
Size 5-6 (26)		●	£27.00
Size 7-8 (28)	●		£27.00
Size 9-10 (30)	●		£27.00
Size 11-12 (32)		●	£27.00
Size 13-14 (34)		●	£27.00
Size 15-16	●		
<b>Navy Summer Cap with Logo</b>	●		£7.00
<b>Navy Winter Hat with Logo</b>	●		£6.00
<b>KS1 Bookbag with Strap</b>	●		£11.00
<b>KS1 PE Rucksack/KS2 Bookbag Rucksack</b>		●	£21.00
<b>KS2 PE Bag</b>	●		£21.00
<b>School Tie</b>	●		£7.00
<b>Water Bottle</b>	●		£2.50
<b>School Badge</b>		●	£5.00



- **From Thursday 4th June 2026**, we will be partnering Rocksteady Music School to deliver fun and inclusive rock and pop band lessons, right here at St Joseph's RC Primary School! These weekly music lessons will take place in school and are led by professional musicians who make learning music fun.
- On **Monday 29th June** we have a visit from The Canal Trust who will be delivering a water safety assembly to the school.
- On **Wednesday 2nd July** St Bernadette Class will be visiting Canada Water Pond to learn about Nature and Habitats of the Wildlife.
- Also on **Wednesday 2nd July** we have a special visit from The Ned Show where the students will learn the meaning of 'NED' in a fun filled, immersive assembly they are putting on for us.
- On the **13th July** St Martin Class have a trip to the Supreme Court.
- On the **15th July** St Joseph class are going on a trip to the Unicorn Theatre to watch 'The Lion Inside'
- **Our last day of the school year will be Friday 17th July and school with finish at 2pm.**

## **School Announcements**

- **All children should now be wearing their summer uniform**
- **The May 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



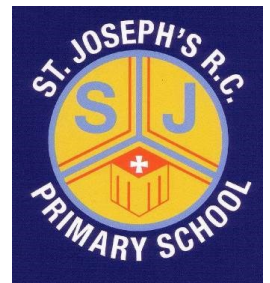
		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	School Days
Autumn 1 8 Weeks	September		01	02	03	04	2
	September	07	08	09	10	11	5
	September	14	15	16	17	18	5
	September	21	22	23	24	25	5
	September	28	29	30	01	02	5
	October	05	06	07	08	09	5
	October	12	13	14	15	16	5
	October	19	20	21	22	23	5
	October	26	27	28	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

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# Communication



## Emails

[info@stjosephs-georgerow.southwark.sch.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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.



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