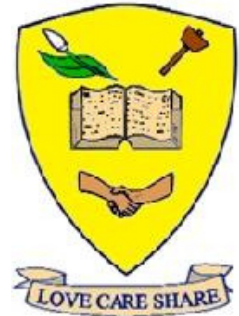




St Joseph's NEWSLETTER



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Friday 16th October 2026

OUR WEEKLY WORSHIP

This week we have been praying the Rosary every day. We have been thinking about the Joyful and Luminous Mysteries. Through the Joyful Mysteries, we have reflected on the early life of Jesus and the joy He brought into the world. The Luminous Mysteries have helped us to think about Jesus' life and ministry, His teachings and the wonderful things He did. These special times of prayer have given us an opportunity to grow closer to Jesus and reflect on how we can follow His example in our everyday lives.



*Hail Mary, full of grace,
the Lord is with thee.*

*Blessed art thou among women and
blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.*

*Holy Mary, mother of God,
pray for us sinners now and
at the hour of our death.*

Amen.

Our Virtue: CITIZENSHIP I look for opportunities to serve others



This week we are continuing to learn about the virtue of citizenship and how we can look for opportunities to serve others. We are thinking about how we can make a difference through little acts of kindness, helping people who need us and caring for our school, our community and God's wonderful world. We are learning to follow Jesus' example by putting others first and showing love through our words and actions. Remember, even the smallest act of kindness can make a big difference!

This week's virtue winners:

St Therese: Vienna

St Francis: Easa

St Peter: Molly

St Vincent de Paul: Violette

St Josephine: Mary



NEWS:

Class	Attendance this week:	Attendance to date this year:
St Thérèse	95.42	97.56
St Francis	96.43	97.5
St Peter	 98.23	 97.78
St Vincent de Paul	93.23	97.53
St Josephine	96.67	96.4
Whole school	96.05	97.31

This week's
ATTENDANCE

GOLD MEDALS

Class		Gold Medals Leader Board:
St Thérèse	26	 
St Francis	24	
St Peter	29	
St Vincent de Paul	 25	
St Josephine	38	 

Weekly News:

Reception 2027!

Thank you to all of the families who were able to attend our Open Day yesterday. Please do let all your friends know about our school, and please mention our up coming 'Stay & Plays' - 19th October, 10th and 18th November. Bluey will come to visit! All welcome!

Parents' Evening

Please can we remind everyone that it is parents' evening next week, 20th/22nd October. If you have not booked your slot already, please do so as soon as possible. Times have been sent home. Please do your utmost to stick to the time slot to help the evening move smoothly.

Safeguarding

The older children have had some workshops recently to help keep themselves safe. They have learned about the dangers of vaping and drugs. They have also learnt about the dangers of alcohol and gambling this week as part of our PSHE and safeguarding curriculum. Why don't you ask them about what they've learnt?

Don't forget we have the PFA Pizza Party Disco next week! Wednesday 21st October.



School Uniform

At the parents' evening, there will be a uniform stall. We have lots of uniform that is still good quality, that is available. It is sold on a donation basis, so just give what you can. There will also be a stall for Lost Property - please check for missing items! On that note, PLEASE put the children's names on EVERY piece of uniform.

If you are worried or concerned about the safeguarding of any of our pupils, please make an appointment to speak to Mrs Robinson, Miss Lister or Miss Leach who are our safeguarding leaders. Any other concerns should be raised with the class teacher.

CATHOLIC LIFE & MISSION

Just a reminder about the Harvest Liturgy next week...

Thank you to all of those families that have been able to share and donate some food for our collection for St Patrick's Mission in Bradford. If you have not donated already, there is still time! We will have the liturgical celebration next Tuesday morning first thing, led by the Mini Vinnies. You can bring in goods until then.



If you are able to contribute, the following items are particularly needed:

- Tuna
- Instant coffee
- Sugar
- Rice
- Squash/diluted juice
- Baked beans
- Chopped tomatoes

Any donations, large or small, would be greatly appreciated and will help support families and individuals in need.

Thank you, as always, for your kindness and generosity.



Thank you so much to all of the people able to buy buns from the Mini Vinnies Bun Sale and those who were able to donate. They raised enough money to pay for their mini bus to take them to St Patrick's to help sort, store and distribute the food to the homeless. Much appreciated!

We have some other great news to share that demonstrates how caring some of our pupils are! This October, **Idris and Umayya** alongside four other young cousins are taking on a big challenge for children facing an unimaginable reality. Usman (8), Amara (9), Imaan (7), Helena (5), Idris (6) and Umayya (5) will each walk 20 miles throughout October — a combined 120 miles — to raise money for Heal Palestine, an organisation providing prosthetic limbs and support to children in Gaza who have suffered life-changing injuries.

At an age when children should be worrying about school, football, toys and what they're having for dinner, children in Gaza are facing experiences no child should ever have to endure. Some have lost limbs. Some have lost their homes. Some have lost family members. Many are living with injuries and trauma that will affect them for the rest of their lives.

The six children wanted to do something — however small — to help. When asked why, one simply said: "Because those children want to run and play too."

So they're putting one foot in front of the other, mile after mile, to raise money for children who have already had so much taken from them.

A prosthetic limb can mean more than simply replacing what has been lost. It can mean the possibility of walking again, playing again, going to school, becoming more independent and having a little more hope for the future.

They've made a wonderful start! In just 11 days, they've already raised over £3,010 — that's 86% of our £3,500 goal! They're so grateful to everyone who has supported so far, but there's still a way to go!

The family would be very grateful if this could be shared with your friends, family and community. Every share helps reach more people who might be able to support. Every £1 brings them closer to their goal and helps these six young cousins turn their 120 miles into something meaningful for children thousands of miles away.

🔗 Donate and follow the journey here: <https://gofund.me/a35dd6f2e>

THANK YOU!

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING SPOTLIGHT

As we did last week, we will look at one of our chosen four Catholic Social Teaching principles to explore with you.

Catholic Social Teaching is based on the belief that God has a plan for creation, a plan to build his kingdom of peace, love and justice. Catholic Social Teaching is founded in Scripture and includes statements and letters written by Church leaders, such as the Pope's Encyclicals. It offers wisdom and insights on living the Gospel in today's world. Jesus tells us to love God and to love our neighbours, especially our sisters and brothers living in poverty.

This week we will be looking a little closer at the CST principle of 'SOLIDARITY' which, as with 'Human Dignity' that we looked at last week, fits beautifully with our motto to 'LOVE' everyone.

Solidarity - We are One Big Global Family

"... all of you are one in Christ Jesus." Galatians 3:28

"We are a single family dwelling in a common home." Pope Francis, Fratelli Tutti, 17

We are all connected, and we should care about and help one another.

Solidarity teaches us that we are one human family. So when someone is suffering — whether they are nearby or far away — we shouldn't ignore it. We should stand with them and try to help.

At St Joseph's we show solidarity by:

raising awareness of social justice

praying for others

making socially responsible choices

charitable giving

Caring about others, not just yourself

Standing up for people who are treated unfairly

Helping the poor and vulnerable

Working together to make the world more just



Pope John Paul II described solidarity as a firm commitment to the good of all people — not just feeling sorry for others, but actually taking action.

We're in this together.

**When someone hurts, we don't look away —
we stand with them and help.**





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about you"
(EYFS child)



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Open Day

15th October

9.30am / 2pm & 5pm

Stay & Plays

19th October

10th & 18th November

9.30am until 10.30am

Please ring the office on

01274 564883

to book a place



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LUNCHTIME SUPERVISOR

Required ASAP to work from 11.45 am to 12:45 pm daily.

'Learning with Jesus, to be the best we can be'.

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School is an outstanding school, committed to 'learning with Jesus, to be the best we can be'. At our school, our children love, care and share. We have wonderful children and extremely dedicated and supportive staff, governors and parents.

We are looking for someone who is friendly and hardworking. You will support the child/ren by:

- Leading and developing play and social skills
- Nurturing and caring for them
- Following the school's behaviour policy
- Supervising children in the dining hall and in the playground or classroom, depending upon weather conditions

We can offer you:

- a school where children feel happy, are motivated and keen to learn
- a dedicated, supportive team of staff and governors
- an opportunity to work in a good school that has a strong, caring Catholic ethos

You will need to be enthusiastic and may have had experience of working with children, but this is not essential.

Applicants are warmly invited to visit the school.

For further details please contact Miss Megan Robertson on 01274 564883.

Applications need to be completed on a Support Staff CES application form which can be requested through the school office.

Closing date: NOON 23rd October 2026, interviews week commencing 2nd November

The school is committed to a rigorous implementation of our safeguarding policy.

All successful applicants are subject to an enhanced DBS check.

PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE FOR FURTHER DETAILS

PARENTS & FRIENDS

NEWS:

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

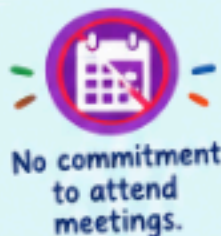
Can you help us arrange one of our fantastic school events?



Just a few hours of your time could make

♥ **ALL THE CHILDREN** ♥
OF OUR SCHOOL
SO HAPPY! ♥

By giving up just a few hours to arrange one of these events, you'll be creating memories, smiles and fun for every child in our school.



It's a small investment of your time... with a huge reward! ♥



Contact the PFA
to find out more information.



COMMUNITY NEWS:

TRY FOR
FREE

COME AND JOIN US



EVERYONE WELCOME

New to you? Coming back to it?

Re-locating? Aged 6 or over?

Training on Tuesday & Thursday nights at

Beckfoot Oakbank School, Oakworth Road, Keighley

To let us know you're interested

Please email contact@airevalleyhockey.club

airevalleyhc.clubbuzz2.co.uk

