



# St Joseph's Newsletter

*A school built on... Faith, Hope & Love*

*18<sup>th</sup> November 2024*

## Thought of the Week

*I can work, play, pray and rest each day.*

## Our School Rules

*Be Ready, Safe and Respectful.*

## Operation Christmas Child 2024 - Shoe Box Appeal



*A huge thank you for all the kind donations for the Christmas Shoe Box Appeal.*

*The children and staff worked so hard and we were able to create and deliver 62 shoe boxes!*

*With thanks- The Gift Team.*

## Christmas Hampers

*On Friday 22nd November we are inviting children to come into school in their own clothes (Y4, Y5 and Y6 - Sports clothes for Tri Kidz Event).*

*We are asking each child to donate an item for our coloured hampers.*

*This item can be anything that is their classes colour - chocolate, wine, bubble bath, stationary, Christmas tree decoration, Christmas food item, scarf, gloves, keyring, book, candle, bath bomb etc. These items will then all be made into coloured hampers and we will sell raffle tickets for these Christmas hampers for you to win.*

*FS1 & FS2 - Orange, Year 1 - White, Year 2 - Purple, Year 3 - Green, Year 4 - Red, Year 5 - Silver, Year 6 - Gold.*

## Tri-Kidz Resilience Challenge

*This Friday, 22nd November, Y4, Y5 and Y6 will take part in the Tri Kidz Resilience Challenge. Children will be split into small groups and work as a team rotating through swim, bike, run activities. (None of the activities involve getting wet). They will work together to clock up as much distance as possible.*

*Children will need to wear appropriate clothing for the event. We are having an own clothes day event on this day also for the Christmas hampers so children can choose to wear their sports clothes for the entire day or bring a change of clothes with them.*

### Wild Souls Update

I'm sure you hear all about how much your child loves the outdoor learning that they complete during their Wild Souls Sessions!

Here's an update as to how we are now running this provision.

**External Wild Souls:** Every Term each class will have two whole class trips to Holly Mount Orchard (6 per year). The Microsoft form for the Spring trips has been sent and payments can be made via Arbor (before 23<sup>rd</sup> January please)

**Internal Wild Souls:** Every Tue and Thurs afternoon we run this provision in school as some chn need this on a weekly basis to be able to access their learning. We will also be selecting 4 children from each class every week to take part in this provision as a reward for excellent behaviour - they will have been spotted by staff for consistently following the school rules of being Ready, Respectful and Safe.

Any questions please just ask!

### School Reminders

**School Uniform Policy** - Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct school uniform and takes pride in their appearance.

**Hair** - All hair past shoulder length must be tied back in school.

**Water Bottles** - We encourage all the children to bring water bottles to school to ensure that they keep hydrated - only water to be in these bottles, no juice please inline with our Healthy School Policy.



Ready



Respectful



Safe

### BWFC Family Ticket Opportunity

We have another opportunity for a family to attend the next league game at Bolton Wanderers. This is against Fleetwood on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> November, kick off at 12:30pm. Please email [stjosephs@bury.gov.uk](mailto:stjosephs@bury.gov.uk) before Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November if you are interested then your name can go in the draw.



### Help Please!

We need to update our school sport's kit. We want to make sure that when we are representing our school, attending all our competitions in the community that we are looking smart. We are asking if any parents or local businesses would be happy to either sponsor or make a donation so that we are able to replenish these kits and keep the children looking tip top! If you have any questions please speak to Mr Young or Mr Rambottom and they will let you know what we are in need of.

Thank you, thank you, thank you for your continued support.

Some of our Y4 superstars representing our school in last week's football tournament!





### Bring your Faith to School!

Our Caritas team led our assembly on Monday morning sharing their experiences from the Bury Faith Forum during Inter-Faith week. They spoke to people of many different faiths and learnt about the similarities and differences between religions.

The Caritas Team would like to invite children to bring their faith to school this week. They ask that children bring in an item that represents their faith and beliefs (e.g. candle, prayer mat, photograph etc to share with their class)

### Nativity Tickets

Tickets are now on sale from the school office.

### Foundation Stage Nativity

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December  
9:15am

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December  
9:15am

### Y1 and Y2 Nativity

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2pm

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December  
2pm

## Happy Birthday to...

Oliver (Y1), Ronnie (Y2), Sahana (Y3), Luca (Y6),  
Thomas K (Y6),



### Head Teacher Awards

FS1 – Katie and Hallie

FS2 – Lydia and George

Y1 – Charlie and Margaret

Y2 – Atlas and Aurora F

Y3 – Ivy and Negan

Y4 – Edward and Billy

Y5 – Orla and Felix

Y6 – Marco and Thomas K

## Key Dates- Autumn 2 Term

*Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November - Y6 Parent SATs Meeting @ 3.10pm*

*Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November - Year 3 Class Mass @ 11am (Parents/ Grandparents welcome to join us in school)*

*Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> November - Y3 Wild Souls Class Trip*

*Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November- Tri Kidz Event for Y4, Y5 and Y6 (details to follow)*

*Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> November - Yr 5 Trip 'The Jungle Book' (Octagon Theatre, Bolton).*

*Pay online via Arbor and Consent must be given via the Microsoft form.*

*Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November - Yr 3 & Yr 4 Cinema Trip - Dogtanian & The 3 Muskehounds (Bolton Cineworld). Pay online via Arbor and Consent must be given via the Microsoft form.*

*1pm - 2.30pm - Additional date for EYFS Open Afternoon (Sep 2025 Starters)*

*Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November - Visit from Bury FC.*

*- Y4 Wild Souls Class Trip.*

*Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November - Cereal Box Donation - Red Door Charity.*

*Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December- Children's Liturgy at Sunday Mass 10am*

*Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December- Foundation Stage Nativity 9:15am*

*Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December- Foundation Stage Nativity 9:15am*

*Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December- Y1 and Y2 Nativity 2pm.*

*Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December- Y1 and Y2 Nativity 2pm.*

*Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Film Night- Y1 - Y6*

*Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Dinner*

*Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December- Author Visit, Adam Hughes, FS, Y1 and Y2 (details to follow)*

*- Rock Steady Concert 2pm*

*Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December- Choir @ Killelea House PM*

*Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December- Choir @ Tesco Ramsbottom 10am (Parents and Carers invited)*

*- Choir at Buchanon Social Club PM*

*Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> December- Choir @ Bury Market 10am (Parents and Carers invited)*

*- Y5 and Y6 to Woodhey to watch Fame PM*

*Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December- Choir @ The Cottons AM*

*- Beauty and the Beast Pantomime (at school)*

*Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December- Coffee and Carols 1pm*

*- School Closes for Christmas at 2pm (No After School Club)*