



# St Joseph's Newsletter

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

*2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024*

## Thought of the Week

*I try to love others as I love myself.*

## Our School Rules

*Be Ready, Safe and Respectful.*

## Our Cereal Box Domino Run!!

*Huge thank you for all the donations of cereal for The Red Door Charity - we collected 156 boxes and these have been donated to those in need. We really appreciate your continued generosity for others.*



## Y6 Careers Day

*Huge thank you to the parents that came in to talk to our Y6 children about their careers we really appreciate it. We have another Careers Day booked in for 4<sup>th</sup> March. If you would like to come and talk to the children about your career please let the office know.*



## Christmas Hamper Raffle

*If you haven't already bought tickets please click on the link and purchase some to win one of our wonderful hampers!*

<https://raffall.com/370763/enter-raffle-to-win-christmas-hamper-hosted-by-emma-moncado>



## Bag 2 School

*Please use the bags that will be sent home to fill with good quality men's, ladies & children's clothing, paired shoes, handbags, belts and accessories. (No uniforms, workwear, pillows, duvets or pieces of fabric please). Please return your filled bag to school on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 9am for them to be collected.*



[www.bag2school.com](http://www.bag2school.com)

## 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).

Due to unforeseen circumstances Year 4 missed their session this week but will get another session in the Spring Term.

**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.

## School Reminders

**School Uniform Policy** - Please ensure only balck shoes or black trainers are worn.

**Earrings** - Only plain stud earrings are allowed. These must be covered by plasters or taken out on PE days.

**Packed lunches** - Choclate bars and sweets are not allowed in packed lunches as part of our Healthy School Policy.



Ready



Respectful



Safe

## Reverse Advent Calendar

### ST JOSEPH'S REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

2024

| Week beginning:           | Foundation Stage      | Y1 + Y2     | Y3 + Y4                       | Y5 + 6                   |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|-------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> December  | Tinned Fruit          | Tea Bags    | Gravy<br>Granules/<br>Custard | Coffee/ Hot<br>Chocolate |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> December  | Napkins               | Tinned Meat | Tinned<br>Vegetables          | Tinned Soup              |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> December | Christmas<br>Crackers | Chocolates  | Mince Pies                    | Biscuits                 |

Over the festive period we will be collecting festive items to create food parcels to bring some joy to our community. Please send any donations to school throughout December as above.

## Christmas Jumper Day

The children can wear Christmas Jumpers with their school uniform on **Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December**. We will be collecting donations for 'Save the Children' and a link will be sent out nearer the time.



Well done to our fantastic Y5 and Y6 Football Team who won on penalties against Bury Grammar...it was a tense match!



## 12 Wonders of Ramsbottom

Please see separate letter regarding the 12 Wonders of Ramsbottom activity. Please support the children with this activity over the next few weeks as we are trying to raise the profile of Geography in school and though that this would be a great start getting the children to visit and find out more about their local area.



## Children's Liturgy

During the children's liturgy we learnt about Advent being a special time when we wait in hope for the coming of Jesus. The next children's liturgy will be on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2025.



## *Happy Birthday!*

*Oliver, Charlie, Ted, Frankie (Y1), Ronnie, James (Y2), Sahana, Ivy, Hugo, Henry (Y3) Nate, Millie, Josie (Y4) Luca, Thomas, (Y6)*





### Head Teacher Awards

FS1 – Alma & Oscar

FS2 – Poppy & Ayaa

Y1 – Arthur & Ted

Y2 – Frankie & Joanna

Y3 – Phoebe & Ivy

Y4 – Willow & Evie

Y5 – Poppy & Jacob

Y6 – Scarlett & Eva

### Key Dates- Autumn 2 Term

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

Year 4 Parents Maths Workshop - 9.30am

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

Year 3 trip to Bury Art Gallery (Pay online via Arbor)

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December** - Children wear Odd Socks for Anti-Bullying Week.

9.15am - Advent Stay & Pray Parent Session.

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December**- Y1 and Y2 Nativity 2pm. (Purchase tickets from school office).

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**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December**- Christmas Film Night- Y1 - Y6 (Pay online via Arbor).

Year 5 trip to Bury Art Gallery (Pay online via Arbor).

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December**- Christmas Dinner (Children can bring in their own cracker) & Christmas Jumper Day (Donations to online link - Save The Children).

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

Rock Steady Concert 2.15pm (Parents of Rocksteady chn invited).

Christmas Hamper Raffle being drawn at 1pm.

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

Autumn Term Pupil Progress Reports to be sent home. (Y1 - Y6)

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

Choir at Buchanan Social Club PM

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

Y5 and Y6 to Woodhey to watch Fame PM

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

Beauty and the Beast Pantomime (Pay online via Arbor).

**Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December**- Coffee and Carols (Parents/Carers invited to watch 1pm).

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

Please note: We will notify parents and carers of any changes to dates, times, etc as soon as we can. Thank you for your support.

