



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2017  
Autumn 2 Week 5

Dear Parents/Carers,

## A message from the Headteacher

It's arrived – the month of December has crept upon us and the first window has been opened on our Advent calendars. We've had another busy week, I think you'll agree. Sky Try have been in Years 1 & 2 again delivering fun and active lessons, Years 5 & 6 competed in the regionals Basketball tournament at Golborne High School, Inspire sessions have been taking place for our Reception children's parents/carers and Year 4 went to Wigan and performed in the Massed choir event 'Let's Sing.' Every child has represented our school fantastically and I am very proud of all of them. A special well done to Alex Northcott who sang his first solo in front of over 400 people at 'Let's Sing' – very daunting yet he looked as cool as a cucumber. You super boy. If you missed it – check head's twitter.

## Dates for your diary

**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm** - Key Stage 2's ADVENT SERVICE in Church – FOSJ selling refreshments afterwards in St Joseph's main hall – where you collect your child/children from.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** – Some selected KS1 children will take part in a Fencing tournament this afternoon.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 1.30pm** – School choir singing at Tesco Leigh – Please sign consent slip on the letter.

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm** – Year 4 pupils and parents – Reconciliation in Church

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm** – Infant Nativity in Church

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas Jumper day

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December all day** - 'Well-being Wednesday'

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December** – Christmas dinner day

**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> December** – Last day of term – Break up for Christmas holidays

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018** - Back in school (Monday 8<sup>th</sup> is an INSET day for staff)

Please follow the  
headteacher on  
[@StJosephsLeigh](https://twitter.com/StJosephsLeigh)

## ACT IN SUPPORT OF CATHOLIC EDUCATION

Archbishop Malcolm wishes to contact us to encourage us to speak out for Catholic Education. He writes:

"Do you support Catholic schools and the right of Catholics to send their children to them? Then we need you to make your voice heard. The Government is making a critical decision on whether to overturn the admissions cap which prevents new Catholic schools from allowing all Catholic pupils to attend. The Prime Minister has acknowledged that this policy discriminates against Catholics and had promised previously to abandon it. Now the Government may decide to keep this discriminatory policy in place instead of removing it. We need you to tell the Government NOT to discriminate against Catholics and to remove the admissions cap on new faith based schools."

Visit <http://catholicnews.org.uk/education-cap> or search for "Catholic Education" in your search engine to write to the Government and urge them to drop their policy which bans new Catholic schools.

**FOSJ Bonus Ball: £25.00 Prize** – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2017 – Bonus Ball number 42 – lucky winner Wilem Morrow. Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017 – Bonus Ball number 8 – lucky winner Mrs Gilman.

## This weeks' Superstars/Lunchtime Friday Top Table

A very big well done to the following children who have been making an extra special effort, been a credit to themselves and have earned the most team points for their classes this week. **As an added bonus 'Top Table' winners will earn an extra ten points for their team!!**

**Reception** – Katie Noone

**Year Two** – Bella Salvador

**Year Four** – Cerys McCready

**Year One** – Jensen Holcroft

**Year Three** – James Daniel

**Year Five** – Ben Cohen

**Year Six** – Tanya Chikombe



**Quote of the week** – I've had a great week cos I've finished the second clic Maths test and I was Bob from Man on the Moon answering everyone's questions. I love that book. – Year 2 pupil.

Have a lovely weekend everyone.

Miss M Daley