



# ST. JOSEPH'S NEWS

Friday 6th February 2026

## Upcoming Events

09/02 Parents' Evening  
11/02 Parents' Evening  
11/02 Maple class assembly @ 9.15am  
13/02 Last day before Half Term  
17/02 Shrove Tuesday  
17/02 Chinese New Year  
18/02 Ash Wednesday  
18/02 - 02/04 Lent  
23/02 Inset Day  
24/02 Children back in school

Further dates can be found on our [website](#)

Dear Parents and Carers,

One more week to half-term!

Next week we have parents' evening, so if you haven't signed up please do so this weekend ahead of the appointment slots closing on Monday.

At St Joseph's we are passionate about reading, and this year is National Reading Year. We are holding events in school (as you will see below) and we have also managed to get a grant to invest in new resources to enable our children more opportunities to read! We also have another exciting development in the pipeline which we will share soon. Please do take time to read with your children whenever you can!

Wishing you a restful weekend,

Mr Willcox

## This week at St Joseph's

### Share a Story

This week in school we have been celebrating National Storytelling Week. Each class has got together with a partner class to read and share stories. It has been lovely to see St Joseph's celebrate reading together. Picture are Year 1 and Year 5 enjoying sharing a story.





## Number Day

We had so much fun today learning all about numbers through song and games for NSPCC Number Day. The children loved taking part in the activities and showed fantastic enthusiasm while building their maths skills.





## Stars of the Week



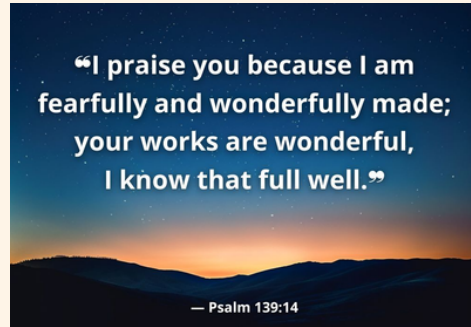
Oaks - Freddie  
Rowan - Cassiopeia  
Sycamore - Isaac  
Cherry - Aredhel  
Maple - Bella  
Willow - David  
Beech - Ozgur Su

## Gospel Value of the week

### Humility

"I praise you because I am  
fearfully and wonderfully made;  
your works are wonderful,  
I know that full well."

— Psalm 139:14



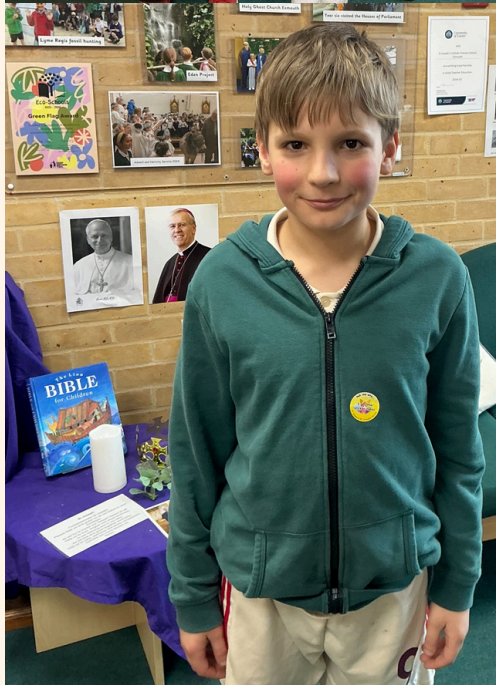
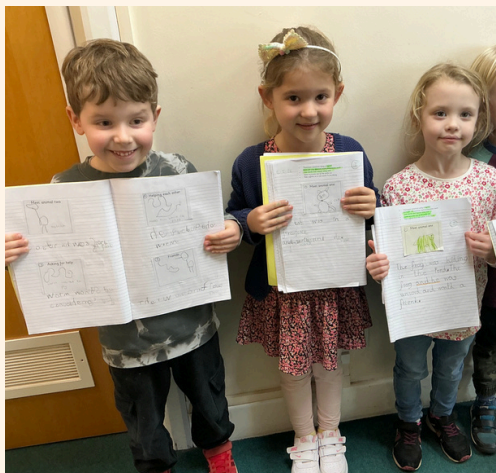
## Highest Class Attendance!

The classes with the  
highest attendance this  
week were year 1 with  
97%. Closely followed by  
Oaks with 96.8%. Wow!  
Keep up the good work!

## Other news & notice board

### Year 1

Well done to Year 1  
students Jonah, Elijah,  
Mireya and Jasmine for  
some fantastic writing.  
What wonderful story  
creators we have on our  
hands. Keep up the good  
work!



### Headteacher's Award

Well done to Noah in  
Year 5 who has been  
consistently showing  
excellent sportsmanship  
in PE. A well deserved  
award indeed!

## PTA NEWSLETTER

Winter 2026

pta@stjo.uk

### WHAT'S COMING UP

All events are subject to enough parent/guardians  
volunteering to set up, run and pack away. It would be great  
to see some new people helping! Let us know on  
pta@stjo.uk or find us in the playground.

Thursday 22 January, 7.45pm-9pm  
**PTA planning meeting**  
Help plan the disco, Wonderlicious Bars, and bring your  
ideas.

Friday 23 January, after school until 4.30pm (weather  
permitted)  
**6th February**  
**Playground Pledge - with technical support and second-  
hand uniform sale**  
We'll be talking through some of the websites and apps our  
children use, such as Google Classroom, e-books, Times  
Table Rock Stars, reading quiz, or the school Google  
calendar. We'll talk through what they do and how to use  
them. Bring your device and we'll help with any issues  
accessing.  
Please donate any good quality, clean second-hand uniform  
on the day ready to sell and bring along any unwanted gifts  
that could be used as prizes.

Friday 27 February  
**Disco**  
KS1 5-6pm (parents/guardians to stay)  
KS2 6.15-7.15pm  
£3 per child  
We were thinking about a karaoke room but need some  
brave volunteers to run this!

World Book Day Thursday 5 March, after school  
**Wonderlicious Bars**  
Will you win a golden ticket? Bars will be on sale for £2.50  
per bar on ParentPay (100g Galaxy bar, allergen free  
alternative available).

### LOOKING AHEAD TO NEXT TERM

We'd like to plan ahead to  
next term so you know  
some of the things to  
expect. If there's anything  
you'd like to help with  
please let us know.

Colour Run  
(sponsored event) - May

Cool-down Fridays  
Sunny Fridays in May, June  
and July

Summer Fair - June/July



### OPEN DOOR Community Café

#### SCHOOL HOLIDAY SUPPORT AT OPEN DOOR EXMOUTH

Starting this February Half Term, Open Door is  
introducing a new, simpler way for families to  
access support during school holidays at their  
Community Café, Church Street, Exmouth.

#### FREE MEALS FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE

All children under 18 can enjoy a free meal  
during the school holidays on  
Mondays, Wednesdays, or Fridays.  
Simply choose from our school holiday  
menu and pick either breakfast (served  
until 11:30am) or lunch (served from  
11:30am to 1:30pm).



#### A WELCOMING SPACE FOR ADULTS



We are more than just a café - we are a  
community. Parents are more than  
welcome to relax in a warm stigma-free  
environment. Access to further support is  
available should you need it.

For more info: Email [info@opendoorexmouth.org.uk](mailto:info@opendoorexmouth.org.uk) or call 01395 224218

Open Door Exmouth Charity Number: 10760299 [www.opendoorexmouth.org.uk](http://www.opendoorexmouth.org.uk)

### Parking:

We are continuing to seek support from the council with the limited parking  
outside the school. We know it is difficult at drop off and collection, so  
please do take extra care to park considerately for our neighbours,  
pedestrians and other road users. Thank you.