



Newyddion Joseff Sant St Joseph's News



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20th April 2026



% Attendance – whole school – 95.1% TARGET 94%						
Week ending- 20 th Mar 2026						
Rec	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
94.9%	94.1%	95.4%	94.9%	95.7%	94.3%	96.7%

130 Year anniversary celebrations

There will be a school Mass for all pupils, past, present and future at St Mary's Church, Stow Hill at 5.30pm on Saturday 18th April. We have been practising hymns and readings in school; we would love

for as many children from school to attend with their families. There will be coffee and cake in the institute following the Mass.

Victorian School Day

Thank you for supporting your children in participating by buying/making and finding costumes. I think they gained a real insight on how different school was 130 years ago – it was a very different place!

130-year exhibition and tour

There will be a guided tour of the school and a chance to see our whole school art exhibition between 5th- 8th May. The sessions will be: -

Tues 5th May – 2 -2.45pm

Weds 6th May – 2 -2.45pm

Thurs 7th May – 10 -10.45am and 2 -2.45pm

Here is the link:- <https://forms.gle/2y9uLvyqK1fye3Jw8>

We look forward to seeing you!

Parentmail

It is all up and running again, thank you for your patience.

After School Clubs

If your child is in an after-school club this term, you will have had a notification.

Absences due to appointments

Following consultation with the Educational Welfare Service they have stated that if your child has a medical appointment during the school day, we will require evidence of this. This could include an appointment card, text message or official correspondence.

School Street Closure

Following the school street closure, they would like to collect your views. Please click on the link:-

<https://app.onlinesurveys.jisc.ac.uk/s/sustrans/stjosephsprimaryschoolschoollstreetsurvey>

KS2 Sports Day
Friday 24th April 2026

On Friday 24th April 2026, Key stage 2 (Years 3 - 6) will be going to Newport athletics stadium for Sports Day. The children will need to come to school in their **school PE kit** (navy bottoms/shorts/leggings and light blue polo shirt) and depending on the weather may also need hoodies, coats, sun hats/caps and suncream. We will be leaving school at **9.30am** on coaches that will take all classes over to the stadium. The children will then take part in sports activities in the morning - no parents please. Please provide a packed lunch and drinks to last for the whole day (no fizzy or energy drinks, no glass bottles or cans). The children will be active all day and will get very thirsty, especially if the weather is hot. It will be possible for your child to refill their water bottle throughout the day. If you wish to book a packed from school, please email or ring school by Wednesday 22nd April with your choice of ham or cheese packed lunch. **The afternoon events will start at 12.30 pm** and parents are invited to come along and support their children in the track races. Parents may arrive from 12.15pm onwards to take their seats. Please may we remind you of the following rules, which are in place to safeguard all children and which we will strictly reinforce:

- No parents or family members to walk across the stand to where the children will be sitting, under any circumstances.
- If your child is injured or upset, staff will approach you if necessary.
- No parents or family members to drop off additional drinks or snacks for their children for the afternoon.
- No dogs.
- All pupils will be chaperoned to the toilets by members of staff only.
- No filming or photography by parents or family members.

- We are aware that some parents may wish to take their children home at **2.30pm** after the races and others may wish for their children to come back to school on the coach.

- **KS2 families** are required to fill in the attached Google form to let us know the pick up arrangements for their child/ren on this day.

- <https://forms.gle/SkGAXsGpxBJSazsB8>

- If you require a free bus ride back to school with your children, you can also book a place using the above form.

- **Please fill in the Google form by Wednesday 22nd April 2026.**

Items will be added to the diary throughout the term, please make sure you check calendar weekly as we do not want you to miss anything your children are involved in.

Bank Holidays and Training Days

Bank Holiday – 4th May 2026

Fri 22nd May 2026

Mon 20th July 2026

Calendar Dates	
Sat 18 th Apr	130yr Anniversary Mass 5.30pm St Mary's Church Stow Hill - all invited
Fri 24 th Apr	KS2 Sports Day
Weds 29 th Apr	Y4 Anniversary Play -Y4 parents invited – 2pm
Thurs 30 th Apr	Y2 assembly 9.30am – parents invited
Mon 4 th May	Bank Holiday – school closed
Weds 13 th May – Fri 15 th May	Y6 Residential trip
Thurs 14 th May	Y3 - Pentecost Service 9.30am parents invited
Fri 15 th May	YR – Vision and growth checks
Fri 22 nd May	Training Day – school closed to children
Mon 25 th May – 31 st May	Half term
Thurs 4 th June – Thurs 9 th July	County in the Community -YR and Y1
Thurs 4 th June	Y1 assembly 9.30am- parents invited
Weds 17 th June	Class photos
Mon 29 th and Tues 30 th June	Year 5 and Year 6 production Time TBC
Thurs 2 nd and Fri 3 rd July	Year 6 Transition days to SJHS
Sat 4 th July	All Saints Parish Summer Party times TBC
Mon 20 th July	Training Day – end of the year