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St Joseph's News

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28th Sunday of the Year (A) – Matthew 22:1-14



Parable of the Wedding Banquet

Buddy Assembly Reception and Year 6
Well done to the oldest and youngest pupils in our school. Reception – welcome to St Joseph's! Year 6 you did a great job at introducing them to the whole school. We can tell that you love being buddies! Reception your attention and singing were fabulous!

New Training Day Date
Monday 2nd November due to our work with the Local Authority on school improvement we need another training day in the autumn term.

Battery Collection
Schools across Newport collected just over one tonne of household batteries after taking up Battery Recycling Challenge. The annual competition, run in partnership with Newport City Council and European Recycling Platform UK (ERP), aims to encourage youngsters to collect batteries for recycling from home and at school. There is a box in the school Reception area where you can recycle all your household batteries.

Reception 2027 Open Sessions
We will be holding 2 open sessions for prospective parents of Reception for September 2027. Wednesday 4th November at 2pm and Thursday 5th November at 10am. Please ring the school office if you wish to attend. Applications open on the NCC website on 13th November and close on 15th January 2027.

Application to St Joseph's RC High School for Y7 Entry in September 2027 – message from St Joseph's High School

Dear Parents and Carers of Y6 Pupils

If you would like your child to be admitted into Y7 at St Joseph's RC High School in September 2027, you will first need to complete an online application via Newport City Council.
(See link below)

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You will then be required to complete a supplementary information form which is available on the school's website.
(See link below)

SJHS SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FORM

Please remember to upload any required information such as a baptism certificate or letter from your faith leader.

There are **240** places available. The closing date for applications is 31st October 2026. Your application will not be considered complete, and therefore will not be processed, until both the Newport City Council Online Application **AND** the SJHS Supplementary Form have been submitted.

Thank you for considering St Joseph's RC High School as the next stage in your child's school career. We look forward to receiving your application.

Whole School Christmas Celebration
The whole school will be involved in celebrating the Christmas Story this year. We will confirm dates and venue as soon as we can.

Friends of St Joseph's
A number of parents came to speak to us at the end of last year who were interested in starting up The Friends of St Joseph's again. We tried to do this a few years ago, but there was very little interest.
If you would be interested in becoming part of this vital fund-raising group, please leave your name and contact details with the office.
Thank to those who have already volunteered.

Training Days – school closed to children

****Monday 2nd Nov new date*****
Friday 20th November
Mon 15th February 2027
Tuesday 20th July 2027

Bank Holiday - 3rd May 2027

Please keep looking at diary dates as more will be added as the term progresses and we do not want you to miss out on any events.

Calendar Dates	
Mon 12th Oct	St Carlo Acutis – Class Feast Day Celebration – Year 2
Thurs 15th Oct	Harvest Service – Y4 9.30am Parents invited
Tues 20th Oct	Y6 St Cecilia- at Crucial Crew (am)– see email
Fri 23rd Oct	Blessed Chiara Class Feast Day celebration – Year 1
Mon 26th Oct – Fri 30th Oct	**HALF TERM**
Mon 2nd Nov	Training Day
Weds 4th Nov	All Saints Assembly – 9.30am Y3 parents invited
Weds 4th Nov	Open Session for Reception 2027 parents at 2pm
Thurs 5th Nov	Open Session for Reception 2027 parents at 10am
Mon 9th Nov	Parent Consultations 3pm-6pm booking instructions will follow
Tues 10th Nov	Parent Consultations 3pm-6pm, booking instructions will follow
Tues 10th Nov	Rags to Riches clothing collection – bring your clothing donations into school
Weds 11th Nov	St Martin Class Feast Day Celebration - YR
Tues 17th Nov	Individual and family photos
Fri 20th Nov	Training Day
Mon 23rd Nov	St Cecilia Class Feast Day Celebration -Y6
Tues 24th Nov	Grandparents Day – more information to follow
Tues 1st Dec	Advent Assembly 9.30am – Y5 Parents invited
Thurs 3rd Dec	Y2 Pedestrian Training
Thurs 10th Dec	Y2 Pedestrian Training
Fri 11th Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 18th Dec	Last day of term – Own clothes day
Mon 21st Dec – Fri 1st Jan	**Christmas Holidays – school Closed**
Mon 4th Jan	Back to school