



# Newyddion Josef Sant St Joseph's News



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4<sup>th</sup> November 2024



% Attendance – whole school – 94.08% TARGET 94%						
Week ending-18 <sup>th</sup> October 2024						
Rec	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6
93.5%	93.1%	93.5%	96.2%	94.9%	94.8%	92.1%

### Welcome back

We hope you all enjoyed a restful and happy half term. The second half of the Autumn term is traditionally a very busy time as we lead up to Christmas. It is also a time when the weather changes and we have shorter days and colder weather. Remember that children need to wear their winter uniforms. We also try and get the children outside as much as possible, so coats, scarves and gloves will be a necessity. Please label ALL items of clothing.

### Parent Consultations 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> November

This week you will receive a link to book a time for parent consultations. The consultations will be face to face, for 10 minutes, but you can book them online. This will be a link for Schoolcloud, click on the link and follow the instructions, it will give you the available times you can book. **Unfortunately, these are the only 2 days teachers will be available for consultations, they will not be able to see you on alternative dates.**

### IMPORTANT -Sustrans - School Street Closure

Newport City Council, in partnership with St Joseph's RC Primary School and Sustrans will be trialling a School Street on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2024. Following successful road closures in 2022 and 2023, Fairoak Avenue will **be closed to all but essential traffic during these times** - Morning: 8am – 9.15am, Afternoon: 2.30pm – 4pm. Please support us by perhaps walking, scooting or cycling to school on this day. Sustrans will also be filming and taking photographs.

### Message from Guardians of the Faith Parliament Group.

Our Guardians of Faith parliament group would like to support the 'Wrap Up Newport 2024: Donate a Coat, Warm a Heart, Campaign.'

The annual Wrap Up Newport campaign, is set to launch on November 1, 2024. This initiative aims to collect and distribute warm coats to those in need across Newport, including homeless individuals, refugees, and people fleeing domestic violence. As winter approaches, Wrap Up Newport 2024 provides an excellent opportunity for the community to come together and support those facing hardship.

**We will be accepting donations of winter coats (adult and child) at the school, from 4th November until Tuesday 12th November.**

By donating a coat, you can make a significant difference in someone's life this winter. Thank you again for your generous support.

## Reception 2025 Open sessions

We are holding Open sessions for parents who are considering applying for a Reception place in September 2025. There will be an opportunity to view the school and meet the head or deputy head teacher who will be able to answer any questions they may have. You are welcome to attend one of the following sessions:

Monday 18th November at 9.30 a.m. or 4.30 p.m.

Please ring or email school to book a visit.

Calendar Dates	
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Back to school
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> Nov	St George Year 6 -Chartist March (am)
Tues 5 <sup>th</sup> Nov	St George – Y6 Parliament and Governance talk
Weds 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Sustrans School Street Closure
Weds 6 <sup>th</sup> Nov- Weds 4 <sup>th</sup> Dec	St Francis – Year 3 Forest School
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov – Thurs 12 <sup>th</sup> Dec	St Francis – Y3 -County in the Community
Thurs 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov- Thurs 5 <sup>th</sup> Dec	St Cecilia – Year 4 Forest School
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parent consultations - 2.30pm-5.30pm in classrooms
Tues 12 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Parent consultations - 2.30pm-5.30pm in classrooms
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Whole school cinema trip
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Reception Open Session 9.30 or 4.30pm
Tues 19 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Family and individual photos
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	YR and Y6 Buddies at the forest (am)
Fri 22 <sup>nd</sup> Nov	St Cecilia- Year 4 Class feast day
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Whole School Flu Immunisation
Weds 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	St Cecilia -Year 4 Advent Service – parents invited 2.30pm
Fri 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov	<b>Training Day – school closed to children</b>
Mon 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dec	Whole School at the Riverfront – Pantomime Dick Whittington 10am
WB 9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last week of clubs
Tues 10 <sup>th</sup> Dec – Thurs 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	YR, Y1 and Y2 Nativity (pm) more details to follow
Wed 11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Dinner Day
Fri 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas Jumper Day
Fri 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Last day of term
Mon 23 <sup>rd</sup> Dec	<b>Christmas Holidays – school Closed</b>
6 <sup>th</sup> Jan 2025	Back to school
WB 6 <sup>th</sup> Jan – WB 20 <sup>th</sup> Jan	Swimming - Y3 and Y5 -10am, Y4 and Y6 -11am daily. More information to follow.

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.

### Training Days – school closed to children

29<sup>th</sup> November 2024

3 days TBC

21<sup>st</sup> July 2024

### Bank Holiday

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> May – school closed