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Upcoming events

Monday 7th October

CAFOD Club in lunchtime
Girls' football in lunchtime
Year 6 swimming pm
Lego Club 3.15-4.15pm

Tuesday 8th October

Year 2 Open Morning 9.00am
Open the Book Club in lunchtime
Little Movers 3.15-4.15pm

Wednesday 9th October

Y1 Mass in church 10.00am
Guitar club in lunchtime
Laudato Si club in lunchtime
MFL club in lunchtime

**pm Girls' football league at
Hebburn Comp**

Thursday 10th October

World Mental Health Day
Choir in lunchtime

Friday 11th October

Happy Tank Day with John Magee!

Monday 14th October

CAFOD Club in lunchtime
Girls' football in lunchtime
Year 6 swimming pm
Lego Club 3.15-4.15pm

Tuesday 15th October

School Council in lunchtime
Little Movers 3.15-4.15pm
Wednesday 16th October
Y2 Mass in church 10.00am
Guitar club in lunchtime
Laudato Si club in lunchtime
MFL club in lunchtime

**First Holy Communion information
meeting in church 3.30pm**

Thursday 17th October

Choir in lunchtime

Friday 18th October

Reception 'Stay & Play' 9.00am

Dear Parents and Carers

To support our parents with the headlines of this week's newsletter, we have asked our Head Boy and Girl (Brandon and Louisa) to read them out in the style of News at Ten! You can find this on our Facebook page.

School Visit

There's nothing like first-hand experience to give you the insight you need when choosing your child's school. During the Autumn term we give prospective parents the opportunity to visit the school and see us in action.

Book your place on one of the dates below to explore our wonderful site and find out more about our passion for creating life-long learners and the school's commitment to inclusion and equality for all. Each session is approximately 60 minutes, and your child is welcome to attend with you. To book a slot, please click on <https://forms.office.com/e/73ie4UbApv>

Thursday 7th November - 9.30am - 10.30am

Tuesday 19th November - 2.00pm - 3.00pm

Prayer & Liturgy Newsletter

We use the Ten:Ten resources to support our prayer and liturgy in school. They share a monthly electronic newsletter which can be accessed [here](#). This gives you lots of information and guidance on how to support your child in their faith during the coming month.

Rosary Club

Two of our amazing RE Ambassadors (Gabriel and Poppy) are starting a prayer group each Wednesday morning at 8.30am. This will be called the Rosary Club. They are going to start with pupils who attend Breakfast Club as a pilot, but hopefully this will be opened to all pupils once they get used to it! We will let you know once they are confident!

First Holy Communion

We are holding an information meeting for parents and pupils about First Holy Communion. This is for pupils in Year 4, or those in Year 5 and 6 who have not already taken their first Holy Communion. The meeting will take place in St Joseph's Church on Wednesday 16th October at 3.30pm.

Friends of St Joseph's

The Friends of St Joseph's are a group of parents, carers and community members who organise a range of events during the school year, raising much needed funds for school. If you are interested in finding out how you can support the Friends, or simply fancy a chat, they are holding a coffee morning in the church hall (the building next to school) on Wednesday 23rd October at 9.00am

Virtual Library

We have realised that many of our parents won't know about our Virtual Library. To access many stories, some read by your favourite teachers, <https://stjosephsjarrow.co.uk/virtual-library/> If you find some links that no longer work, please let us know!

Asda Rewards

Would you like to help raise funds for our school? Do you shop at Asda? If so, please download the Asda Rewards app. Every time you shop online or in store, Asda donates 0.5% of your shop to our school. Our lovely community have already raised nearly £300 for school. THIS IS AMAZING! Thank you so much! Further information on the scheme is available at <https://www.asda.com/cashpotforschools> Please share this with EVERYONE you know!

Easy Fundraising

Another way that we can easily raise money for school is through Easy Fundraising. They give a percentage of what you purchase online at many sites e.g. Amazon, eBay and Boots. You can register at or by using the QR code below. There are over 7,000 brands who will now donate to us for FREE every time you use easyfundraising to shop with them.

These donations will help SO MUCH, so please sign up to support us – it's completely FREE and doesn't take long.

https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/stjrctyneandwear/?utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=pmc&utm_content=gs-fb1

Mrs Ray

Today we say goodbye to Mrs Ray. I would like to thank Mrs Ray for her hard work and dedication in our school. I am sure that Amber, her daughter in Year 5, will keep us informed about how she is getting on in her new school.

Teaching Assistant Vacancy

As a result of Mrs Ray leaving, we now have a vacancy as a TA in our school. Details of the post are on the BCCET website at <https://bccet.org.uk/job/teaching-assistant-st-josephs-catholic-primary-school-jarrow/>. Closing date is on Monday 7th October.

QR CODE LINKS

		
School visit booking form	Ten:Ten Newsletter	Asda Cashpot for Schools
		
Easy Fundraising for Schools	Teaching Assistant job advert	Virtual Library

Finally, you may have noticed that Mrs Lloyd hasn't been in school recently. It is with great sadness that I must let you know that her husband, Paul, passed away last week after a short illness. I am sure you will all keep Mrs Lloyd and her family in your thoughts, prayers and hearts. ♥

Take care,
Mr P Craig
Headteacher

Nursery	Reception	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6
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DATE		EVENT	Parents invited?
OCTOBER	Tuesday 8 th October	Y2 Open Morning 9.00am	☺
	Wednesday 9 th October	Y1 Wednesday Mass 10.00am	☺
		KS2 Girls' Football team match at Hebburn Comp 12.00-3.30 (Parents to kindly collect from Comp)	
	Thursday 10 th October	World Mental Health Day	
	Friday 11 th October	Happy Tank Day with John Magee (Kindness Matters)	
	Monday 14 th October	Flu immunisations (Reception – Year 6)	
	Wednesday 16 th October	Y2 Wednesday Mass 10.00am	☺
		First Holy Communion initial meeting 3.30pm in church	☺
	Friday 18 th October	Reception Stay & Play session 9.00am	☺
	Tuesday 22 nd October	Y6 Dodgeball at Temple Park 9.30am-3.00pm	
	Wednesday 23 rd October	Friends of St Joseph's Coffee Morning in church hall 9.00am	☺
		Reception Wednesday Mass 10.00am	☺
	Friday 25 th October	EYFS/KS1 Gold Book Assembly 9.00am	☺
		End of Half Term	
Monday 28th October – Friday 1st November HALF TERM BREAK			
	Monday 4 th November	Pupils return to school	
		Y5 swimming begins (until 15th December)	

NOVEMBER

Wednesday 6 th November	Y6 Wednesday Mass 10.00am	☺
Thursday 7 th November	Open Session for New Parents 9.30-10.30am	☺
	Friends of St Joseph's Autumn Fancy Dress Parties Reception/Y1/Y2 - 4.00-5.00pm Y3/Y4/Y5/Y6 - 5.15-6.15pm	
Friday 8 th November	SSOC launch (4 pupils from Y6) at Temple Park 12.30-2.30pm	
Monday 11 th – Friday 15 th November	Anti Bullying Week	
Monday 11 th November	Remembrance assembly in school 9.00am	
	KS2 Girls' Football team match at Hebburn Comp 12.00-3.30 (Parents to kindly collect from Comp)	
Tuesday 12 th November	Parents' Evening A (booking to follow)	☺
	First Holy Communion parents' meeting in church 7.00pm	☺
Wednesday 13 th November	Y5 Wednesday Mass 10.00am	☺
	First Holy Communion pupils' meeting in church 3.30-4.30pm	
Thursday 14 th November	Reception and Y6 Buddy Assembly 9.00am	☺
Friday 15 th November	Nursery Stay and Play sessions 10.45am and 2.30pm	☺
Sunday 17 th November	Special Liturgy for FHC pupils in church 11.00am	☺
Monday 18 th November	Parents' Evening B (booking to follow)	☺
Tuesday 19 th November	KS2 Parallel Sportshall Athletics (10 pupils from KS2) 9.30am-12.00pm) TBC	
	Open Session for New Parents 2.00-3.00pm	☺

	Wednesday 20 th November	Y4 Wednesday Mass 10.00am	☺
	Friday 22 nd November	Y2 Mini Tennis at Temple Park 1.00-3.00pm	
		RE Ambassadors meeting at St Mary's Cathedral, followed by Christmas Market	
	Tuesday 26 th November	First Holy Communion parents' meeting in church 7.00pm	☺
	Wednesday 27 th November	Y3 Wednesday Mass 10.00am	☺
		Y5 Sportshall Athletics at Temple Park 12.30-3.00pm TBC	
First Holy Communion pupils' meeting in church 3.30-5.00pm			
Friday 29 th December	Christmas Movie Night		
DECEMBER	Sunday 1 st December	Special Liturgy for FHC pupils in church 11.00am	☺
	Tuesday 3 rd December	Advent Mass 9.15am	☺
		Reception Co-ordination challenge at Urban Factory 10.00am-12.00pm	
		Jarrow Cluster 'Sing of a Child' Concert at St Matthew's (School Choir) 6.00pm	☺
	Wednesday 4 th December	First Reconciliation Service for FHC pupils in church 6.00pm	☺
	Thursday 5 th December	Santa's Swap Shop	
	Friday 6 th December	Nursery and Reception Nativity in church 10.30am	☺
		Friends of St Joseph's Christmas Fayre 1.00-3.15pm	☺
Wednesday 11 th December	KS1 (Y1/Y2) Nativity 9.15am and 5.00pm	☺	

	Thursday 12 th December	Y5/6 Christmas Party pm	
	Monday 16 th December	Y3/4 Christmas Party pm	
	Tuesday 17 th December	Y1/2 Christmas Party pm	
	Wednesday 18 th December	Reception Christmas Party pm	
		Carols by Candlelight service in church 5.00pm	😊
	Thursday 19 th December	Christmas Pyjama Day!	
		Christmas Lunch	
		Nursery Christmas Party pm	
	Friday 20 th December	KS2 Gold Book Assembly 9.00am	😊
		End of term (early finish at 1.00pm)	
Pupils return to school on Tuesday 7th January 2025			