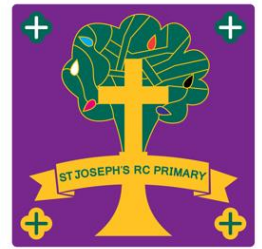


# St Joseph's RC Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

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*2025 is running away with us!*

*Wow it's half term already!*

*Thank you all for your support since returning to school last month. It was a difficult start to the year with the bad weather and I'd like to thank you for your understanding when we have had to close school due to the snow and also the local water leak. We never take these decisions lightly but the safety of the whole school community, including our staff, must come first on these occasions.*

*We have had a busy half term as always and the children have been working hard, as well as enjoying our enrichment activities like the Freestyle Footballer. Everyone loved food tasting and crafts as part of our celebrations for Chinese New Year, and the recent PTA Movie Night was again a huge success. I'm looking forward to Feel Good Friday this afternoon!*

*I'm aware that there has been an increase in illness this term, but please do continue to send your child to school if they are well enough – we can always administer paracetamol/ibuprofen for minor ailments.*

*My door is always open and if there is anything you wish to talk to me about, please do not hesitate to get in touch.*

*I wish you and your families a restful Half Term break, and I look forward to seeing everyone return to school on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February – please remember all children should be in school by 8.50am at the latest.*

*Mrs Scott, Headteacher*



## Community Links – Olive House

We are always keen to get the children involved with the local community and we were delighted to visit Olive House care home in Bacup again recently. The children and residents loved chatting to each other, and enjoyed some Valentines crafts together. We are already looking forward to our next visit!





A big well done to all the children who have represented St Joseph's at the recent Rossendale Schools Sports Partnership competitions at The Valley Leadership Academy – Year 3 and 4 Glow Dodgeball and Key Stage 2 Boccia. You did us proud!

We enjoyed a fantastic day with Pro Freestyle Footballer Steve Gray last week.



Steve kicked the day off with a whole school assembly, where he showed off his incredible skills, before taking each class separately for a fun, motivational workshop where the children learned lots of new tricks.



## Healthy Living

The week beginning Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March will be Healthy Living Week in school.

We will be running a number of initiatives in school that week, to promote healthy living both at school and at home.

The week will be launched with Boogie Bounce on the Monday – every class will be taking part in a mini-trampoline class which promises to be great fun!



## PTA News

Our Movie Night last week was hugely popular and helped us raise

# £300!

Thank you for your support. If you have any ideas about fundraising for our school or you would like to get involved, please do get in touch with us!

**God wants me to be the best me I can be.**

We want to foster a love of reading at St Joseph's and each class was challenged to develop their reading corner recently. Father Stamp enjoyed visiting school and declared Eagles Class the overall Reading Corner Champion!

Please encourage your child to read regularly and why not visit your local library over Half Term – library books are free to borrow!



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