



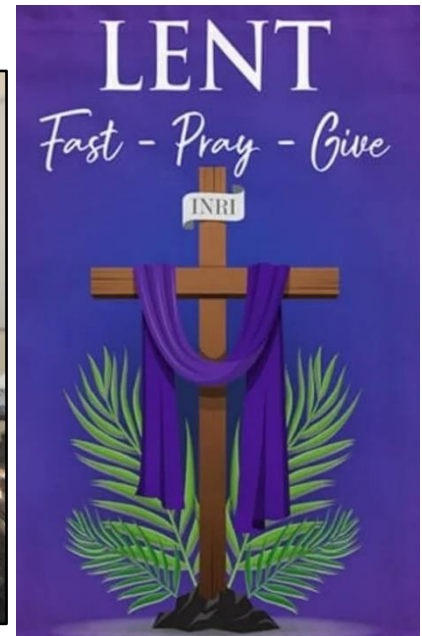
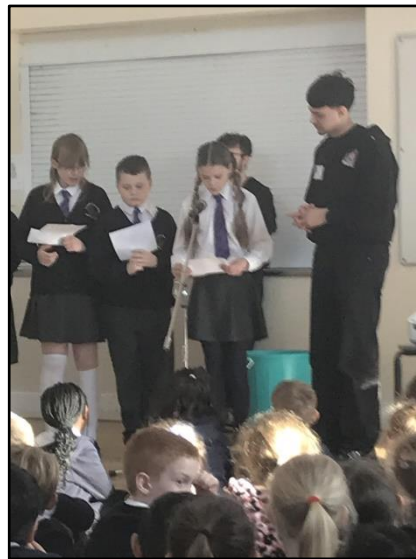
# St Joseph's and St Edmund's Catholic Primary Schools



## St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School- Newsletter II 28<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Dear Parents, we have continued to do lots in school over the last two weeks. Parents have been in school for learning conversations. The children have celebrated St Joseph's Day Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> March with a visit from the Ignite team. The children sang, danced, created crafts, wrote prayers and learned about St Joseph. In the afternoon we came together for a liturgy with readings, prayers and songs. The Ignite team were extremely complimentary about the children's engagement and behaviour. The day ended with a cake treat eaten together on the playground. The next day we celebrated St Joseph Day again with a whole school Mass with parishioners. In the afternoon we had our first poetry competition judged by Mrs Price and Mrs Surina, one of our governors. This week the Mini Vinnie group have helped out at the parish seniors' lunch. Years 1 and 2 went to Mass to celebrate the Annunciation of the Lord. The whole school have been treated to a rock concert by the children who attend weekly sessions in school from the iRock company and this Friday we will continue our Lenten almsgiving with a food bank collection.

**Regular Mass Times**  
 Saturday evening- 17:00  
 Sunday Morning Mass- 9:15am  
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Everyone enjoyed eating the cake in the sunshine to end two days of celebrating our patron St Joseph. Through his example we learn that loyalty, faith and love are important and our mission statement of encouraging and supporting one another makes our school happy and inclusive. Thank you to the kitchen staff at St Edmunds for making the cake.



**The Mini Vinnie group were helping out again at the seniors' lunch. They are becoming accomplished waitresses! A handy life skill.**

Well done to all the children who took part in the poetry competition. Public speaking can be daunting but it is a crucial skill to learn. All the children in KS2 were able to contribute to their class poems. Then some bold individual children did their own recital of a poem, which they had practised in school and at home. Each poem was rated for its performance using 5 different criteria and scored out of 10. These scores were added together to get to an overall score. It was very technical but the children's effort and bravery deserved a very thorough scoring system. There were first, second and third placings. Those children received a prize and will be entered into the national competition. Thank you to all the parents that came to support.



First prize went to Lydia Y4. Second prize was Juliet Y4 and third prize to Josh, Phoebe and Daphne in year 6. Well done to all the children that participated.

Pictured below are the children that have been having weekly lessons with the iRock company in school. They performed their first GIG to the whole school and parents this week. There are four different groups and each has chosen their own rock group names. The children are developing new skills by learning play the keyboard, drums, electric guitars and to sing into a microphone. It has been great to see the children gaining confidence and the school and parents enjoyed clapping and singing along. We can't wait to watch their journey and how their skills continue to develop. For their first gig it was so much fun. We might have the next Jon Bon Jovi or Ed Sherran in our school!



### Diary dates

27<sup>th</sup> March- Bring a Tin for the local Easter foodbank.  
Luxury Easter items welcome.

1<sup>st</sup> April KS 2 Mass in church and reconciliation for children who have taken their Holy Communion.

2<sup>nd</sup> April Easter Breakfast 10.00am in school.

Volunteers welcome, see Mrs Price

3<sup>rd</sup> April Stations of the Cross after lunch in the school hall & hot cross buns. Volunteers, please see Mrs Price

3<sup>rd</sup> April- After school BINGO for school funds and pre-Easter family fun, £1 per strip per game.

4<sup>th</sup> April CAFOD BIG WALK together we will walk 200k. We have been doing the daily mile and this will be our last push to raise funds for CAFOD. Please come in PE type clothes. A donation please. Break up for Easter

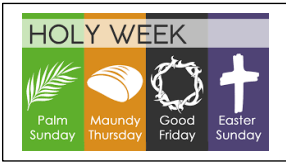
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**On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** we will be having another fun BINGO afternoon. There will be four games and each game will have a different coloured strip. The strips will be £1 each. You can either play the whole strip if you are an accomplished Bingo player or if you want to play as a family split the strip up and share it out. There will be a large egg for each game's BINGO WINNER, a smaller egg for the first person to get four corners and an egg for the first line. Mr LS is looking forward to being the caller again and Miss Robinson has been learning some jokes, so it should be lots of FUN! Mrs Price will be selling ice-cream cones for £1. All proceeds raised for school funds.



**On Wednesday morning 2<sup>nd</sup> April EYFS and KS1** will go to our parish church and learn all about the events of Holy Week. We will have readings, prayers and songs. They will then return to school for an Easter Breakfast. **I need volunteers to set up the tables and decorate, de-shell eggs, cut oranges and hot cross buns and plate up the food for the children's return.**

**On Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> April** in the afternoon the KS2 children will hear about Jesus' final hours by doing the Stations of the Cross together. **I will need some more help to prepare the tables so the children can eat their hot cross buns.**

**Please come and volunteer!**



**On Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April** the whole school will be doing a **BIG LENT WALK** for CAFOD in the morning. This will be our last charitable fundraising event for LENT. We have already raised £133 for CAFOD through our non-uniform day and it would be amazing to get to £250. I recognise that household finances are stretched, so I am not asking the children to bring in £1 but a donation of your choice.



**Thank you** for the donations brought into school on this week for the Sudbury Storehouse Foodbank. Your donations will **HELP** local families that are feeling really stretched at the moment.

For a small school the collection is so generous and a reflection of your kindness and care for other people in the local community.