



Autumn Term 2022

23rd December 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

Goodbye and God Bless

It is with a great sadness in my heart that I leave St Joseph's today after fourteen extremely happy years. St Joseph's is a wonderful school and community with very special children; it is truly a unique place. A huge thank you to all staff for their total commitment and dedication, the governors, the Bishop Chadwick Catholic Education Trust and especially to you, our parents, for your support. It has been an absolute pleasure to work with so many amazing young people. Your children are like shining stars and I feel so blessed to have been a part of their lives. They all make me extremely proud and know they will go on to do great things. I will miss everyone so very much.

Thank you so much for the beautiful presents; I will treasure the glass bowl made in Sunderland, which I received this morning from you all, forever.

With every good wish and all of God's blessings now and forever.

Miss Brown

Liturgical Prayer

This week's Wednesday word is **Christmas**. We all think about the birth of Jesus and the joy, peace and love that this brings to us all. Let us all try and share our love this Christmas with all those in need and take a moment in the busyness of the next few days to think about the real message of Christmas.

Christmas Nativity Plays and Carol Service

A huge well done to all of the children for bringing home the real message of Christmas with their beautiful Christmas plays and carol service. Thank you to staff for preparing them so well.

Year 1 and Year 2 Dance City Workshops

An artist from Dance City will be coming into school to work with Year 1 and Year 2 for the first half term on a Wednesday afternoon. Children can come to school in their jogging bottoms, white t-shirt and school jumper for the whole day. There is a Disney Under the Sea theme for Year 1 and Safari for Year 2.

Attendance Reminder

Parents/Carers are responsible for:

- Ensuring that their child attends school regularly and punctually unless prevented from doing so by illness or attendance at a medical appointment.
- Contacting the school office on the first morning of absence (before 9.30am).
- Informing the school in advance of any medical appointments in school time. For the absence to be recorded as a medical absence we do require evidence from the doctor or dentist.

(Appointment card/letter). Where possible, ALL medical appointments should be made outside of the school day.

- Making requests for authorised absence in term time, only if absolutely necessary as these are not automatically authorised.
- Talking to the school as soon as possible about any child's reluctance to come to school so that problems can be quickly identified and dealt with.

Authorised absence

An absence is classified as authorised when a child has been away from school for a legitimate reason and the school has received notification from a parent or carer. For example, if a child has been unwell and the parent telephones the school to explain the absence.

Only the school can make an absence authorised. Parents do not have this authority. Consequently, not all absences supported by parents will be classified as authorised.

Unauthorised absence

An absence is classified as unauthorised when a child is away from school without the permission of the school.

Therefore, the absence is unauthorised if a child is away from school without good reason, even with the support of a parent.

Please take a moment to read our Attendance Policy on our website:

<https://stjosephscatholicsunderland.schacademy.durham.gov.uk/wp-content/uploads/sites/4/2022/11/Attendance-Policy.pdf>

Registration Certificates

Please look out for your child's registration certification which will be sent home with your child today.

After School Clubs

Information on the after-school clubs for next half term (Spring 1) is now on ParentPay. This includes violin, saxophone, clarinet, orchestra, drum, guitar and gymnastics. Please ensure any monies are paid by the due date to allow your child to continue with their tuition. Thank you.

Attendance

Last week's attendance:

W/E 16.12.22



Meal Plans/Lunch Payments

Payments for school meals are to be made via ParentPay each Monday, in advance please. We do not allow debt balances. If you need any support in this respect, please contact school.

Should you wish for your child to change meal plans, you must give school notice, in writing.

Reminders

School Uniform

Our school uniform is important to us and a source of pride. It costs no more than other garments and is both a unifying factor and a source of pride in St Joseph's School. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school family and it promotes a strong, cohesive school identity which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life.

Please ensure that your child is in full school uniform, including a tie for children in Year 1 – Year 6, and all items of uniform have your child's name on.

Every child also needs to have sandshoes to change into when they come into school.

Jewellery

For health and safety reasons, St Joseph's has always had a **no jewellery policy**; only watches are permitted to be worn. Any earrings, bracelets, rings etc. must be left at home. Any child wearing earrings will be asked to take them out or place plasters over them. Thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Car parking

Please help us by not using the turning circle as a car park – it is a **drop off only area**. Please use the church car park.

No Dogs on School Premises

Please note that we do not allow any dogs, except guide dogs on the school premises.

Bikes and Scooters

It has come to our attention that some of our pupils and parents/carers are riding/scooting on the school grounds. I would like to remind you that, for the wellbeing of our staff, pupils, parents and visitors please dismount and walk with your bike/scooter whilst on the school site.

Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility

Any concerns about safeguarding should be reported to our designated safeguarding lead, Miss Brown or the deputy designated safeguarding leads Mrs Toward, Mrs Forbister, Miss Forbister and Mrs Teasdale. Ask at the school office if you would like a paper copy of the safeguarding policy. All of our Safeguarding policies are available on our school website.

Christmas Mass Times

	St Patrick's	St Joseph's	St Anne & Holy Family
Saturday 24 th December Christmas Eve	4pm Carols 4.30pm Vigil Mass	5.30pm Carols 6pm Vigil Mass	5.30pm Carols 6pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 25 th December Christma Day	No Mass	9.30am Mass	No Mass

Wishing everyone the joys and blessings of a very Holy and Happy Christmas

Miss S M Brown

Headteacher

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Lunchtime Menu September 2022 - April 2023

Paragraph

Drawing

Editing

WEEK
one

Jacket
Potato
available
everyday

WEEK
two

WEEK
three

CHADWICK'S
KITCHEN

Autumn & Winter 2022

Monday

choose a main meal:

Pizza Monday!
Cheese and Tomato Pizza (V)
Or
Vegetable Quesadilla (V) Or ♥
Or
Roasted Vegetable Pasta Bake (V) Or
Jacket Potato with choice of topping

on the side:

Potato Wedges
Baked Beans
Sweetcorn
Fresh Carrot Batons
for dessert:
Choice of: Homemade Iced
Sponge, Cheese & Crackers,
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

choose a main meal:

Pizza Monday!
Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)
Or
Spaghetti with Tomato Sauce (V) Or ♥
Vegetarian Lasagne (V)
Or
Jacket Potato with a choice of topping

on the side:

Peas
Corn on the Cob
for dessert:
Choice Of: Chocolate Brownie
Surprise, Cheese & Crackers,
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

choose a main meal:

Pizza Monday!
Cheese & Tomato Pizza (V)
Or
Vegetable Quesadilla (V) Or ♥
Crunchy Topped Tomato Pasta Bake (V)
Or
Jacket Potato with choice of topping

on the side:

Broccoli
Sweetcorn
Diced Potatoes
Garlic Bread
for dessert:
Choice of: Apple Comflake
Crunch, Cheese & Crackers,
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Tuesday

choose a main meal:

Home-made Chicken Curry & Rice ♥
Or
Cheese and Broccoli Quiche (V)
Served with Sliced oven baked Potatoes
Or
Chicken Style Quorn Burrito (V) Or
Jacket Potato with choice of topping

on the side:

Green Beans
Sweetcorn
Homemade Coleslaw
for dessert:
Choice of: Chadwick's Kitchen
Fruity Flapjack, Cheese &
Crackers, Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

choose a main meal:

Sausage & Baked Bean Casserole topped
with Mashed Potato ♥
Or
BBQ Chicken Wrap
Or
Quorn Curry (V) Or
Jacket Potato with a choice of topping

on the side:

Wholemeal Rice
Broccoli
Swede
for dessert:
Choice of: Cheesecake with
Mandarin Oranges, Cheese &
Crackers, Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

choose a main meal:

All Day Breakfast:
Sausage or Quorn Sausage (V), Bacon
Scrambled Egg, Beans, Tomato, Hash
Brown and Toast
Or
Cheese & Tomato Tagliatelle (V) Or
Jacket Potato with Choice of topping

on the side:

Broccoli
Carrot Batons
Mixed Pepper Strips
for dessert:
Choice of: Rice Pudding with
Apricot Compote, Cheese &
Crackers, Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Wednesday

choose a main meal:

Roast of the day, served with Roast
Potato, Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy
Or
Stuffed Peppers (V) ♥
Or
Macaroni Cheese (V) Or
Jacket Potato with a choice of topping

on the side:

Mashed Swede & Carrot
Parsnips
Garlic Slice
for dessert:
Choice of: Apple Sponge and
Custard, Cheese & Crackers,
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

choose a main meal:

Roast of the day, served with Roast
Potato, Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy
Or
Quorn Roast (V)
Or
Ham Pasta Carbonara Or
Jacket Potato with a choice of topping ♥

on the side:

Carrots
Cauliflower Cheese
Homemade Bread
for dessert:
Choice of: Apple & Banana Cake
& Custard, Cheese & Crackers,
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

choose a main meal:

Roast of the day, served with Roast Potato,
Yorkshire Pudding and Gravy
Or
Quorn Sausages (V)
Or
Chicken & Tomato Pasta Or ♥
Jacket Potato with a choice of topping

on the side:

Carrots
Sprouts
for dessert:
Choice of: Sticky Toffee Pudding
& Custard, Cheese & Crackers,
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Thursday

choose a main meal:

Homemade Mince Beef Pie with Mashed
Potato
Or
Quorn Sausages with Mashed Potato (V)
Or
Chicken and Tomato Pasta Or ♥
Jacket Potato with a choice of topping

on the side:

Broccoli
Cabbage
Homemade Bread
for dessert:
Choice of: Mrs Vickers homemade
Jammie Dodgers, Cheese &
Crackers, Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

choose a main meal:

Mince & Dumplings with Creamy Potato
Or
Mrs Morton's Sticky Honey Chicken
Or
Tomato & Basil Pasta (V) ♥
Or
Jacket Potato with a choice of topping

on the side:

Cabbage
Peas
Diced roasted Sweet Potato
for dessert:
Choice of: Winter Fruit Sponge &
Custard, Cheese & Crackers,
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

choose a main meal:

Mrs Vickers Spanish Chicken ♥
Or
Beef Spaghetti Bolognese
Or
Mac n Cheese (V)
Or
Jacket Potato with a choice of topping

on the side:

Cauliflower
Green Beans
Roasted Veg Cous Cous
for dessert:
Choice of: Mr Parkin's Sticky
Ginger Parkin, Cheese &
Crackers, Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

Friday

choose a main meal:

Fish in breadcrumbs
Served with Chips
Or
Chinese Egg Fried Rice (V) & Curry Sauce
Or
Jacket Potato with a choice of topping ♥

on the side:

Peas
Baked Beans
for dessert:
Choice of: Chocolate Crispie
Cake, Cheese & Crackers, Fresh
Fruit or Yoghurt

choose a main meal:

Jumbo Fish Fingers and Chips
Or
Salmon Pasta ♥
Or
Quorn no meat-ball Sub (V)
Or
Jacket Potato with a choice of topping

on the side:

Baked Beans
for dessert:
Choice of: Mr Mc Nally's Viennese
Whirl, Cheese & Crackers,
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

choose a main meal:

Fish Fingers
Served with Chips
Or
Assorted Panini's
Served with Chips
Or
Jacket Potato with a choice of topping ♥

on the side:

Peas
Baked Beans
for dessert:
Choice of: Banana Muffin,
Cheese & Crackers,
Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt

fresh water
available
everyday

Healthy option on the day

Least food miles travelled

fresh salad
available
everyday

Menu - September 2022 - April 2023

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Upcoming Events

26th December – 6th January 2023 School Closed for Christmas Holidays

January 2023

9th January

Children return to school

18th January – 20th January Year 4 Residential visit to Youth Village

18th January – 15th February Each Wednesday Year 1 and Year 2 will take part in Dance City Workshops in school

St Josephs RC Primary School

SCHOOL TERM DATES 2022/23

SEPTEMBER

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