

St. Joseph's

Catholic Primary School



Thursday 9th July 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am writing to confirm the staffing arrangements for the academic year 2026-2027 and to share information about our plans for the year ahead.

From 1st September 2026, I will take up the role of Acting Headteacher. Since joining St Joseph's after Easter, I have worked closely with staff, governors and our wider school community and have been actively involved in the recruitment and appointment of new colleagues for September. This has given me the opportunity to get to know our new staff well, and I am delighted that we are welcoming highly skilled, enthusiastic and dedicated professionals who share our commitment to providing the very best education for every child.

I appreciate that periods of change can bring questions and uncertainty for families. I would like to reassure you that we have strong plans in place for the new academic year, and that your child's learning, wellbeing and personal development will remain at the heart of every decision we make. Our staffing structure for September has been carefully planned to ensure that children are supported by capable and committed staff who will provide high-quality teaching, consistency and care throughout the year. We sincerely apologise that news was shared via social media press before it was shared with you as parents.

A key priority for me as Acting Headteacher will be to strengthen the partnership between home and school. Open communication, transparency and positive relationships with parents and carers will be at the heart of our work as we move forward together. We know that children thrive when families and school work closely in partnership, and we are committed to ensuring that parents feel informed, listened to and involved in their child's educational journey.

In September, we will hold Meet the Teacher sessions, giving you the opportunity to visit your child's classroom, meet the adults who will be working with them and learn more about the curriculum and expectations for the year ahead.

We will also host a Coffee Morning with the Acting Headteacher early in the autumn term. This will be an opportunity to meet with me, hear about our priorities for the year ahead, learn more about developments within the school and ask any questions in an open and supportive environment.

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Our Parents' Evenings will take place face to face during the autumn and spring terms, providing regular opportunities to discuss your child's progress and celebrate their achievements. Alongside these formal opportunities, we will continue to review and strengthen our communication with families to ensure that important information is shared clearly, promptly and effectively.

To support communication and planning, we will issue a full academic calendar at the start of the school year, detailing key events and dates. As always, we will endeavour to communicate any changes as early as possible.

As we look ahead to September, I am genuinely excited about the future of St Joseph's. We have a talented and committed staff team, clear priorities and a shared determination to ensure that every child receives an excellent education in a nurturing, ambitious and supportive environment. By working closely together with parents and carers, I am confident that we can build on the school's many strengths and ensure that every child is successful and happy at St Joseph's.

Thank you for your continued support. I look forward to working with you and your children in the year ahead.

Yours sincerely,

Victoria Johnson

Acting Headteacher (from 1st September 2026)

Class	Class Teacher	Support Staff
Nursery	Miss Abigail Kelly	Mrs Catherine Johnson Mrs Nicola Edwards
Reception	Mrs Melanie Burkey EYFS Lead	Mrs Dawn Ormandy Mrs Sharon Coyne Mrs Nicola Edwards
Year 1	Miss Molly McNicholas	Mrs Caroline Mellor
Year 1/2	Mrs Rebecca DiVito	Miss Eleanor Chadwick
Year 2	Mrs Jenna Prince Deputy SENDCO	Miss Tracey Holden Mrs Hannah Clarke
Year 3	Mrs Emma Bryan	Miss Emily Tench
Year 3/4	Mr Jake Ellam - Monday / Tuesday Mrs Claire Mackie - Wednesday / Thursday / Friday	Miss Clare Mulholland
Year 4	Miss Macie Ellis	Miss Holly Nicholson
Year 5	Mr Alex Sutton	Mrs Kelly Moss-Scally
Year 5/6	Mrs Adele Hiddleston (nee Whitehead)	Mrs Dominique Goodwin Miss Clare Mulholland
Year 6	Miss Claire Bennett Assistant Headteacher Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	Mrs Leanne Brereton
Resource Provision	Miss Jeanne Raymond - Monday / Tuesday / Wednesday SENDCO Assistant Headteacher Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead Mr Jake Ellam - Wednesday / Thursday / Friday	Miss Mia Yearsley Miss Normandie McFeat Mrs Rebecca Smallwood Miss Chloe Matzen
Interventions / Class Cover	Mrs Samantha Disley Mrs Isobel Batey Mrs Catherine Barton Mrs Dominique Goodwin Mrs Nicola Edwards	
Safeguarding, Attendance and Welfare Officer	Mrs Laura Do - Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead	
Family Support and Attendance Officer	Mrs Julie Heywood	
Mid-day assistants	Miss Molly Duxbury Mrs Debra Entwistle Mrs Silvia Vieira	
Admin staff	Mrs Deborah Anacoura Miss Alison McCarrick Miss Jennifer McFeat	
Site staff	Mr Stephen Clarke	
Catering Supervisor	Mrs Corryne Waite	
Catering Assistants	Mrs Wendi Clarke Mrs Linda Norris	