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Newsletter: Friday 3rd July 2026

A prayer for today.

Heavenly Father, as I embark on this day, I ask for Your blessing. Help me feel near to You, with my eyes open to the ways You are at work in my life. Guide me to be an instrument of your peace today and always. Amen

School Values



Our School Values are:

Stewardship; respect; curiosity; forgiveness; love and resilience.

This term we are focussing on Resilience

If your children show resilience at home, please send in photos and what they have done to THarvey@sjt.thedcet.com and we will share this in our Celebration Assemblies on Fridays and pop them in the newsletter.

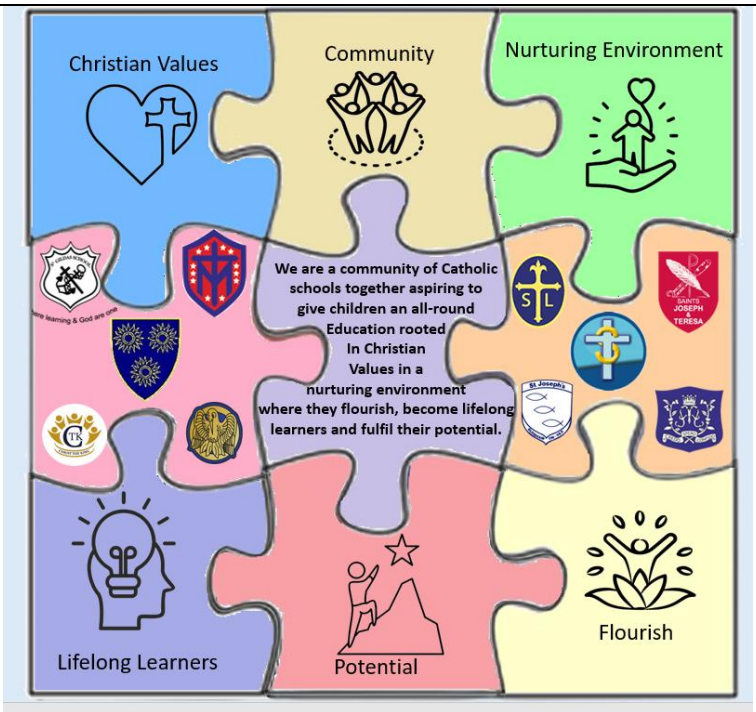
I look forward to hearing from you sharing how great your children are at showing resilience at home.

DCET Trust's vision for their schools

Please see the below for the DCET Trust's vision for their schools.

You will notice the vision in the middle of the jigsaw. We have then taken the key words that we believe will have the biggest impact on our pupils from the vision.

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Wall of Fame Board

Our new and improved achievement board is up - please don't forget to share your children's achievements with us, we love seeing their out-of-school achievements.

Thank you, Miss Mckinley.



Congratulations to Connie (Nightingale) for achieving her Stage 1 Water certificate!

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Key Dates for this month

July	
Monday 6th July	Sports Day
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Wishing you all a wonderful weekend

We send our best wishes to all of the school community. May you have a blessed weekend. Fingers crossed the sun might shine!

WARMER WEATHER

As the weather is getting warmer and hotter next week, a couple of reminders:

- Pupils don't need to wear their ties to school.
- Please ensure your child has a sun hat with them to wear.
- Please ensure they have their water bottles so that they can take their drinks outside with them at break times and lunchtimes.
- Please ensure they have had sun cream on them before they come to school, if they are going to need to top up their suncream during their day, please ensure it is labelled and they can do it themselves.

Important notice for Wraparound

To support our safeguarding procedures. All school gates, including the staff car park near the hive will be locked from half past 3. When you are coming to pick up pupils from Wraparound care after school, please contact the school on **01749 440239** to let the staff know you are there and they will let you in.

Also, if you are running late, please also use the above number to let wraparound staff know.

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Events that have taken place this week or previously:

All Change Day

Our pupils met their new classes on Wednesday and this was a really successful day. It was lovely to welcome our new Reception pupils who are starting with us in September, there were no tears when the children were dropped off, it was lovely to see a confident group of children. I managed to catch up with some of our Year 6 pupils who had a great time at the Blue School.

Wells Theatre Workshop

Shakespeare and Einstein Classes had a great time with Wells Theatre Workshop yesterday afternoon.

We the Curious

Malala and Rosa Parks Classes had a great time at We the Curious on Thursday this week.

Sweet Track, Avalon Marshes

I am sure Shakespeare Class are having a great time at Sweet Track, Avalon Marshes.

Great Learning

Great learning has taken place in all classes this week – please see our Facebook and Instagram account!

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61576247230425

instagram.com/sjt.stt.

Thank you!

Thank you to Andy Sims for painting our reading hut this week, it looks amazing and I am so excited for the chalk boards to be placed in there, so that we can make it a calm, quiet drawing space at break times and lunchtimes.

Changes to Free School Meals

Changes To Free School Meals - Starting in **September 2026**, Free School Meals (FSM) is changing so that more children will be eligible in households receiving Universal Credit. There will be 2 types of eligibility:
Targeted FSM: Households earning £7,400 or less annually (which also qualifies students for additional Pupil Premium funding).
Expanded FSM: Households earning more than £7,400 but still receiving Universal Credit.
We have already emailed a letter explaining the changes and will send it again at the

beginning of September explaining the changes and how to apply if you think you are eligible. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Events to look forward to:

Children's Mass at St Joseph and St Teresa's Church

There is a children's mass this Saturday and the first Saturday of each month starting again from September (none in August).

Sports Day – Monday 6th July

Due to England playing Mexico at 1am on Monday 6th July, the Trust have agreed that schools can extend their registration time, so pupils can come in slightly later.

As we start our sports day at 9.30am, St Joseph and St Teresa's registration will be extended until 9.15am. Please ensure that your children come to school dressed in their sports kit with their house coloured t-shirt with a sunhat and their water bottle and are dropped off to the office by 9.15am so that we can gather our children to walk them to the astro.

Staff will be in at normal time, to receive those children who will be dropped off at normal time.

Sports day will start at 9:30am at Wells Cathedral Astro. The pupils will complete a round robin of 'field' activities. Parents can view from the viewing station around the astro.

Mr Meehan is supporting the school in running our Sports Day in collaboration with The Cathedral School.

We aim to finish the round robin activities at 10:45am. At this point, we will walk back over to the school field and start the first of our 'track' events at 11am.

At around 11:45am Parents/Carers will then collect their children from class teachers and then have a picnic lunch on the school field. If you are not able to be there, hopefully you have ordered a packed lunch from school or will provide your child with one. Lunchtime staff will sit with those pupils whose parents cannot be with them.

At around 12.45pm we will be collecting the pupils to sit back with their teachers for the final events - our running races - and the traditional Year 6 tug of war. We will also have the traditional mums and dads races, so please ensure you have been practising!

Depending on the weather, we may take classes in for a 10 minute breather after their races to ensure they do not get too hot. We may also shorten the running races if needed due to the heat. We aim to finish sports day at 1.30pm. Parents will be able to collect their children

from class teachers and take them home if they wish.

If you cannot be there for sports day, class teachers will look after your child until you are able to collect or they need to go to wraparound. If you haven't had this already, you should receive an email from your class teacher letting you know what colour t-shirt your child will need to wear for sports day. Please ensure you have given your child plenty of water, sun cream and sun hat. Pupils do not need to bring their school bags with them that day.

We look forward to seeing as many of you there as possible on Monday.

The PTFA will be running The Coffee Shed for the section of sports day back at school. They will have tea, coffee and water available, cash or card payments accepted.



Parish News

Please see attached this week's newsletter.

Please see below link to access the Wednesday Word

https://www.stjosephandstteresa.co.uk/wednesday-word/

Celebration

This term we are focussing on the value resilience

This week we gave certificates for resilience, writers of the month and the school values.

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Congratulations to those pupils who have received certificates today.

Nightingale

Well done to Connie for her fantastic writing this month!
She always starts her writing with great enthusiasm. Connie has wonderful ideas and has worked really hard to improve her spelling.

Well done to Amelia for developing her resilience and persevering with writing this term. She has been trying really hard to remain positive even when things get tricky. Try and keep this up!

Well done to April for always following the school rules. She has been a true role model this term and has demonstrated exceptional behaviour. It's very clear that you are ready for Year One!

Einstein

Well done to Henry for writing a great explanation about how London was different in 1666, at the time of the Great Fire of London. Henry was able to apply his great knowledge of the topic, use capital letter and full stops independently and use his phonics mat within his writing. Super work Henry!

Well done to Florence for showing great resilience throughout the year in Einstein Class. Florence has shown that she can overcome challenges within her learning and has developed confidence in her ability to try new things. I am so proud of you Florence!

Well done to Darius for being ready, safe and respectful. Darius has worked extremely hard in our PSHE sessions this week. He has been a great role model to others and shared thoughtful contributions during carpet time. Thank you, Darius!

Shakespeare

Well done to Heidi for showing great respect for our school rules and routines. Heidi is consistently one of the first pupils to be ready to listen and begin learning. We can always rely on you to work respectfully and supportively in paired work and we have loved having you in Shakespeare Class. Well done, Heidi!

Congratulations to Lyla for always approaching your learning with enthusiasm, determination and a smile. We are especially proud at how hard you have worked to develop your writing throughout the year, always trying your hardest to use the skills taught and to improve the quality of your work. Your positive attitude towards your learning sets a brilliant example for others. Well done, Lyla!

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Well done to Oscar for writing a brilliant story based on the well-known legend, The Pied Piper of Hamlyn. Oscar's story was well-structured and wonderfully creative with a real sense of writing for the reader. Furthermore, his writing included all the elements taught and was well presented. Well done, Oscar!

Rosa Parks

Harry showed great resilience on our class trip to We The Curious. He asked questions, moved from challenge to challenge and investigated near areas of learning. Well done for a brilliant day.

Florrie has shown great respect, readiness and safety around school. During lessons she is the first to be ready in class and support others with their learning, but she also helps around the classroom with small jobs.

Freya has worked really hard on her written work and has demonstrated good understanding of writing features as well as being proud of what she has achieved.

Malala

Congratulations to Phoebe for showing resilience this week and previously. I have seen a drive in Phoebe where she is showing a great determination to succeed in her lessons. In particular, I have been thrilled with her engagement in writing and her progress that she is making. Keep it up, Phoebe!

Congratulations to Aidan for demonstrating our school rules of being ready, safe and respectful. Aidan is showing a growing maturity in how he deals with any issues in school or how he approaches his learning. I am impressed with his attitude and his ability to act as a role model across the school. Well done!

Congratulations to Harrison P for his wonderful writing this month. I was thrilled to see his efforts at the start of the month when writing a police report based on our class text of 'Tuesday'. Harrison took time to structure his work, listen to the guidance given from adults and to use effective vocabulary to ensure his work was of a high standard. Well done, Harrison!

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