



**HEADTEACHER AWARDS – MAY 2023**

<b>Cedar</b>	<p><b>Jacob</b> - For your eagerness when sharing your learning and the respect you show to others when they share their learning.</p> <p><b>Rosa</b> - For your thoughtfulness and mature approach to the needs of others. You really are a kind, caring Christian.</p>
<b>Cherry</b>	<p><b>Malachy</b> - for developing a positive attitude towards his work and for always being a kind friend.</p> <p><b>Scarlett</b> - for always trying her best in all that she does and for being a caring friend.</p>
<b>Elm</b>	<p><b>Clark</b> - For a fantastic improvement in his confidence, always asking lots questions to deepen his own knowledge and understanding and making sensible choices to support him with his feelings and emotions to ensure he is in green zone, ready to learn!</p> <p><b>Catherine</b> - For a huge improvement in her confidence, starting every day with a smile as she enters Elm Class and for always being a perfect role model to her peers, following our School Mission Statement and trying her best in everything she does!</p>
<b>Fir</b>	<p><b>Josie</b> - For being an exceptionally kind learning partner and a supportive friend to all. Josie tries her hardest no matter what task is set whilst maintaining her positive attitude and love of learning.</p> <p><b>Bethany</b> - Bethany has been working extremely hard this year, she is determined in all subjects and does not give up when given a challenge. Well done for your outstanding reading, you truly have wowed us!</p>
<b>Hazel</b>	<p><b>Joel</b> - For a fantastic start to the summer term by trying his very best to make positive choices and live out the Mission Statement. He is a cheerful member of the class who shows a compassionate nature to his peers.</p> <p><b>Emily</b> - For always demonstrating a positive attitude to learning. She is a very hardworking member of Hazel class and lives out the Mission Statement in all that she says and does. She values and treats her peers with respect and kindness.</p>
<b>Maple</b>	<p><b>Freya</b> - For being a kind, caring and generous member of Maple class who seeks plenty of opportunities to support and guide others towards making the right choices. Her manners and daily dealings with others is something that we can all aspire to!</p> <p><b>Davi</b> - For the care and attention he dedicates to all learning activities and for his unwavering resilience when faced with challenges across the curriculum. The effort he also puts into homework tasks on a weekly basis is also something that he should be proud of.</p>
<b>Oak</b>	<p><b>Michael</b> – for his constant positive attitude to improving his work in all areas of the curriculum. He readily accepts advice and guidance from his teachers and peers. He is a kind and considerate member of the class and lives out our mission statement every day – to live, love and learn in a Christian community.</p>

**Ida** – for always being a cheerful and positive member of Oak Class. She is a friend to everyone and always shows kindness. She tries her best in all areas of the curriculum and perseveres, even when she finds the work difficult.

**Pine**      **Taylor** - For her fantastic enthusiasm, positive attitude and for always trying her best.  
**Ciaran** - For living out the mission statement in all that he does; being thoughtful, considerate and always thinking of others.

**Poplar**    **Sophia** - For her kindness and fairness to others and for being a thoughtful learning partner.  
**Luke** - For his positive attitude towards his work and for being a good friend to others on the playground.

**Rowan**     **Anthony** - For approaching all tasks with enthusiasm and a desire to succeed. Your effort really stands out and it has been great to see you grow in confidence.  
**Oliver** - For demonstrating your understanding during class discussions by sharing your ideas and opinions. Keep it up!

**Sycamore**    **Agata** - For showing such courage and resilience in the lead up to and throughout SATs week. Also, for being a trustworthy and loyal friend who many of her classmates can count on.  
**Isaac** - For the warmth and friendliness he shows his reading buddy.

**Willow**     **Nicolas** - has really matured throughout his time in Year 6. He worked incredibly hard for his SATs assessments, and is a wonderful example of how if you believe, you can achieve. Very well done, Nicolas!  
**Anastasia** - Anastasia has blossomed throughout her time in Year 6. She works incredibly hard, approaches everything with a smile and her attitude towards her SATs was fantastic. A truly excellent ambassador for Year 6.

### **Sponsored Fun Run**

Well done and thank you to everyone who took part in the sponsored fun run! An amazing £5216.45 was raised. The proceeds this year will be split 50:50 between the school and our nominated charity, The Catholic Children's Society.

### **Second-hand Uniform Sale**

A huge thank you to Jody Nicholls for organising and volunteering her time for the second-hand uniform sale which took place last week. This was a very successful event that raised over £100 for the school. Thank you also to all parents who kindly donated uniform.



### Parent Questionnaire

Many thanks to all the parents who took the time to complete our parent questionnaire at the end of last term. We have collated the main strengths and areas to make the school even better into the main themes. These have now been shared with the Local Governing Body and we will give feedback towards our next steps in due course. Please find the results below.

	YES/VERY SATISFIED	NO/ UNSATISFIED	DON'T MIND/ SATISFIED
Do you feel that the school uniform should be updated?	10.2%	55.7%	34.1%
How satisfied are you with the current quality of the school uniform?	36.4%	6.8%	56.8%
Do you think that pupils should come into school in their PE kits on the days they have PE?	46.6%	25%	28.4%
Do you want the Autumn Term consultation and Meet the Teacher to be face to face?	62.5%	13.6%	23.9%
Do you currently use the Early Birds and Night Owls provision?	31.8%	68.2%	
Would you use extended provision such as Early Birds/Night Owls if more spaces became available in September?	31.8%	75.6%	
Are you happy that the pupils remain in the same class each year as they move through the school?	56.8%	17%	26.1%
Would you be happy for your child to go swimming in Year 4 and Year 6?	84.1%	15.9%	
What do you think are our strengths as a school? What do you like most about the school?	Community Quality of teaching Approachable and friendly staff Values and kindness The Catholic ethos Children are happy The building and facilities Behaviour, conduct and attitude of children		
How can we make St Joseph's even better?	Communication More extra-curricular activities More fundraising Catch up sessions for children that need extra support Parking at drop off and pick up		

### Staffing Update:

Congratulations and best wishes to Mr and Mrs Dove, Mr and Mrs Ogilvie and Mr and Mrs McKenna who are all expecting their first-born children over the upcoming months.

As shared since September, school is closed tomorrow, Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May, as it is our occasional day. There will be more to follow about our achievements this half term when we come back in June. I wish you a wonderful half-term break.

Peter Coldwell  
Headteacher

## Prayer

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope.

To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve: to thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.

Turn then, most gracious Advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O merciful, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!

Amen