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Dates for Diary

November:

Wednesday 11th 9:10am – Mrs. Rudd Class Mass

Friday 13th – Non-uniform day for Children in Need

Friday 13th 8:45am – 9:30am – EYFS Stay and Play with nursery rhymes

Monday 16th to Thursday 19th 9:30am – 2:30pm – Bikability (letters to follow)

Wednesday 18th 9:10am – Mrs. Ashley class Mass

Thursday 19th – Nasal flu vaccinations (Locala)

Friday 20th 9:00am – SEN Coffee Morning (all welcome)

Tuesday 24th 7:00pm – Confirmation service (children in Y6 and above) at English Martyrs

Wednesday 25th 9:10am – Miss. Cocking Class Mass

Saturday 28th 6:00pm – Family Mass at English Martyrs

Sunday 29th 12:15pm onwards – Parish Christmas Fair

December:

Wednesday 2nd 9:10am – Mrs. Bainbridge Class Mass

Monday 7th 3:15pm – School Christmas Fair

Wednesday 9th 9:10am – Mrs. Land Class Mass

Tuesday 8th 2:30pm – Rocksteady Concert

Wednesday 9th 2:00pm – KS1 Nativity

Thursday 10th 9:30am – KS1 Nativity

Friday 11th 9:30am – EYFS Nativity

Monday 14th 12:30pm – KS2 pantomime

Tuesday 15th 9:15am – Christmas grotto (EYFS and KS1)

Tuesday 15th 2:00pm – KS2 Carol Concert

Wednesday 16th 9:30am – KS2 Christmas Mass

Thursday 17th – Christmas Jumper Day for NSPCC

Thursday 17th – Christmas dinner

Friday 18th 1:00pm – Y5 Carol Concert at Huddersfield Town Hall

Christmas Holiday – Monday 21st December 2026 to Friday 1st January 2027 (inclusive)

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back, everyone! I hope all our families have enjoyed a restful half-term break. It has been lovely to welcome our students back into school, refreshed and ready.

There are many exciting opportunities and experiences ahead. Please join us for our **EYFS Stay and Play** on Friday 13th November at 8:45am. We also look forward to welcoming our families at our **Christmas Fair** on Monday 7th December after school. It promises to be a wonderful festive occasion!

As we begin the countdown to Christmas, we have lots more exciting activities ahead. We look forward to a busy and enjoyable half-term and thank you, as always, for your continued support..

Mr. Marshall

Weekly Mass

English Martyrs:	**St Joseph's:**
Saturdays at 6:00pm	Sundays at 11:00am
Sundays at 9:00am	

All Welcome!

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Email: office@stjosephscps.co.uk

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School Stewardship

We would like to introduce and congratulate our new school stewards who been successfully appointed.

Aleksander
Blessing
Emmeline
Myla
Amari
Axel
Nati
Mylah
Coralie
Rommone
Victoria
Renell
Darcy
Sammy
Amber

Children in Need

Next Friday (13th) we will be supporting this year's BBC Children in Need. Children can wear non-uniform clothing, and we kindly ask for a £1 donation, with all proceeds going directly to support the charity. Every donation helps make a difference, giving children the chance to feel safe, supported and hopeful about their future. For more information, visit the BBC Children in Need website



Christmas Jumper Day

On Thursday 17th December we will be having a Christmas jumper day in support of the NSPCC. Children are welcome to come to school wearing a festive-themed top or jumper, paired with their usual school trousers or skirt and school shoes with a suggested donation of £1.

Christmas dinner will also be served on this day— more information to follow.



Christmas Card Project

There is still time to order personalised Christmas cards and gifts featuring your children's artwork. These make wonderful Christmas presents for family and friends, while helping our school raise valuable funds.

Every purchase through the **APFS Christmas Card Project** helps our school earn **20% fundraising** on qualifying orders. Together, let's turn children's creativity into wonderful Christmas gifts and more funds for our school!



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Wraparound Care

Breakfast (£5 per day)

YR to Y6 everyday from 7:15am

After School

YR to Y6 everyday. Snack included from 4:15pm.

3:15pm to 4:15pm = £4.50

3:15pm to 5:00pm = £7.50

3:15pm to 5:50pm = £9.50

PE Timetable

KS1 Mondays and Thursdays

Year 3 Mrs. Brennan – Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Mrs. Towner – Mondays and Wednesdays

Year 4 Wednesdays

Year 5/6 Mrs. Land – Mondays and Tuesdays

Mrs. Bainbridge – Wednesdays and Thursdays

Miss. Howarth – Tuesdays and Thursdays

Clubs



From 3:15pm to 4:15pm

Monday

Year 2 Multi-skills

Tuesday

Y5 and Y6 Dodgeball

Thursday

Y1 to Y6 Gymnastics 3:15pm to 4:20pm

Arbor Support

For troubleshooting the Parent Portal App, follow the link below to helpful guides.

Arbor Help Centre

Apply for Free School Meals

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EYFS Stay and Play

On Friday 13th November please join us for Stay and Play; the theme is Nursery Rhymes. All parents and carers welcome from 8:45am to 9:30am.





SEN Coffee Morning

On Friday 20th November please join us for a coffee morning with our SENDCo and Mr. Marshall. All parents and carers welcome from 9:00am. Please pop in for a friendly chat, meet new people and enjoy the opportunity to catch up with others. Refreshments will be available!



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Family Fundraiser

On the 6th of December, Mrs. Emily Weavill and their daughters will be taking part in the Liverpool Santa Dash to raise money in support of their husband and father.

They have set up a JustGiving page to help raise money for The Walton Centre Liverpool – a place that means so much to the family right now.



Click to Donate Here

A Prayer for Remembrance

Lord God,

We remember those whom you have gathered from the storm of war into the peace of your presence; may that same peace calm our fears, bring justice to all peoples and establish harmony among the nations, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.







Protect the Wild: A Mural for St Joseph's School

The St Joseph's School Mural Project will transform a deteriorating wall in Dalton, Huddersfield, into an inspiring community mural celebrating children and nature. The FOSJ have been working with a fantastic group called "Huddersfield Rising" to create a mural on the lower KS2 Playground. The Mural will be focused on the story book "The Wild". A story about our need to be kind to our planet and each other.

We only need 24 more donations to secure funding for our project! Any contribution, even just £1 or £2, would make a real difference. Thank you so much for your support!

Friends Of St Joseph's

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ART PROJECTS for SCHOOLS

2026 CHRISTMAS PROJECT

FUNDRAISING CHAMPION!

20% of **every order** goes back to the school!

Paid **within 5 days** of the shop closing.

Your child will be coming home with some artwork that they have created, and a leaflet showing the process of turning their artwork into beautiful gifts.

This is a fantastic opportunity to support your child's school, as 20% of the value of every order goes to the school.

GREAT GIFTS INCLUDE



01227 262 417 info@apfs.org.uk apfs.org.uk

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Immaculate Heart of Mary
English Martyrs & St Joseph's

In the Parish Hall at St Joseph's

Christmas Fayre

Sunday 29th November at 12:15pm

Children from St Joseph's School will be singing carols.



Refreshments including:

- tea, coffee,
- mulled wine,
- mince pies,
- cheese and biscuits.

A variety of stalls

selling hand made items such as:

- Christmas cards
- Gifts
- Art work
- Textiles
- Knitted items
- Flower arrangements



Tombola

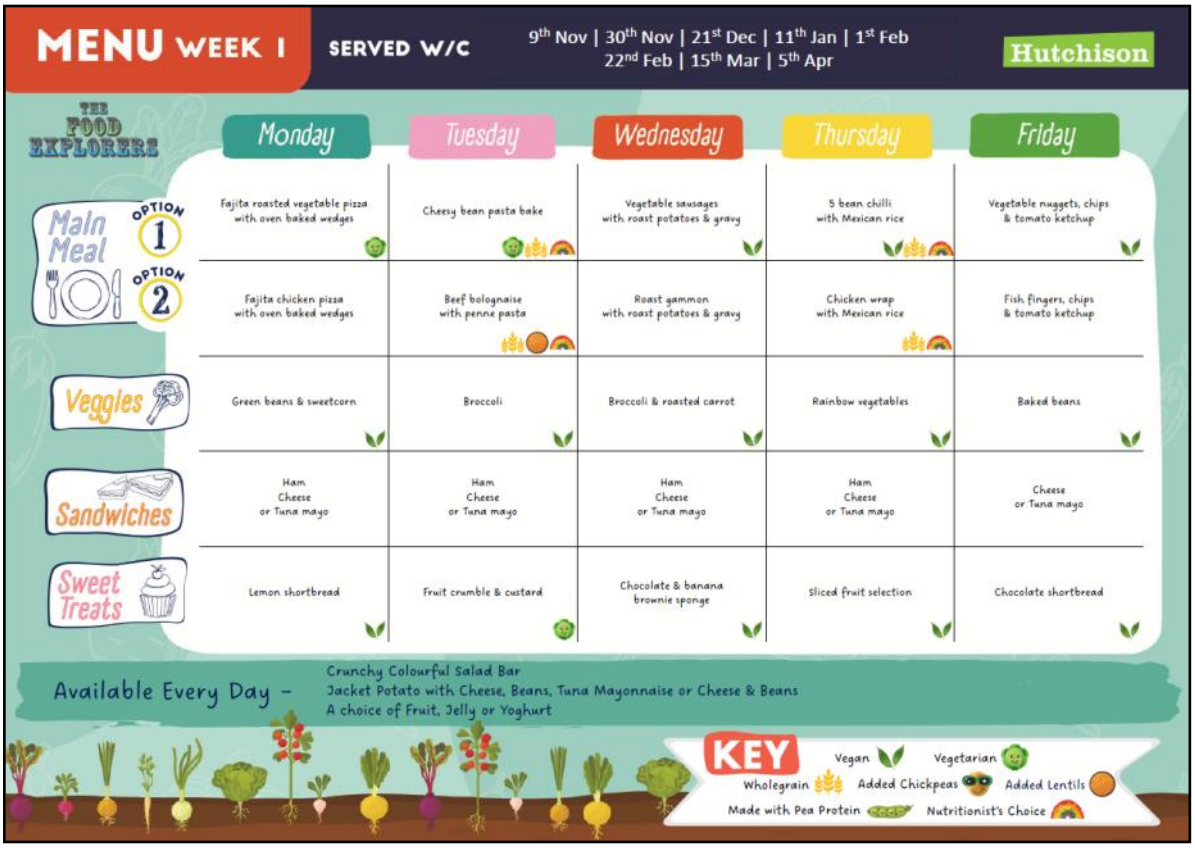
Free Tombola for children

Under St Joseph's church

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We are pleased to share our new Autumn/Winter school menus. These menus have been developed following valuable feedback from schools and catering teams, to create a menu that offers a balanced selection of nutritious and appealing meals that pupils will enjoy.



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MENU WEEK 2

SERVED W/C 16th Nov | 7th Dec | 28th Dec | 18th Jan | 8th Feb | 1st Mar | 22nd Mar

Hutchison

THE FOOD EXPLORERS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal Option 1	Cheese & tomato pizza with oven baked wedges	Smokey BBQ pieces & rice	Veggie all day breakfast	Cheesy cauliflower pasta bake	Quorn dippers, chips & tomato ketchup
Main Meal Option 2	Sweet chilli salmon melt with oven baked wedges	Chicken katsu with rice	All day breakfast, with pork sausages	Chicken & tomato pasta bake	Fish & chips with tomato ketchup
Veggies	Peas	Rainbow vegetables	Baked beans	Crudites and salad bar selection	Baked beans
Sandwiches	Ham Cheese or Tuna mayo	Ham Cheese or Tuna mayo	Ham Cheese or Tuna mayo	Ham Cheese or Tuna mayo	Cheese or Tuna mayo
Sweet Treats	Rice pudding with peaches	Apple pie with custard	Chocolate sponge & custard	Watermelon wedge	Fruity flapjack

Available Every Day –
Crunchy Colourful Salad Bar
Jacket Potato with Cheese, Beans, Tuna Mayonnaise or Cheese & Beans
A choice of Fruit, Jelly or Yoghurt

KEY
Vegan
Vegetarian
Wholegrain
Added Chickpeas
Added Lentils
Made with Pea Protein
Nutritionist's Choice

MENU WEEK 3

SERVED W/C 2nd Nov | 23rd Nov | 14th Dec | 4th Jan | 25th Jan | 15th Feb | 8th Mar | 29th Mar

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THE FOOD EXPLORERS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Meal Option 1	Mixed bean bolognaise with penne pasta	Vegetable sausages with mashed potatoes & gravy	Vegetable pastry with roast potatoes & gravy	Cauliflower & chickpea korma with rice	Vegan sausage roll, chips & tomato ketchup
Main Meal Option 2	Beef bolognaise with penne pasta	Pork sausages with mashed potatoes & gravy	Roast chicken breast, roast potatoes & gravy	Chicken korma with rice	Fish fingers, chips & tomato ketchup
Veggies	Green beans & sweetcorn	Peas & carrots	Broccoli & roasted carrots	Tomato, cucumber & carrot salad	Baked beans
Sandwiches	Ham Cheese or Tuna mayo	Ham Cheese or Tuna mayo	Ham Cheese or Tuna mayo	Ham Cheese or Tuna mayo	Cheese or Tuna mayo
Sweet Treats	Lemon shortbread	Orchard crumble with custard	Raspberry jelly & mandarins	Chocolate & orange brownie	Sliced fruit selection

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YORKSHIRE FOOTBALL COACHING

HUDDERSFIELD NEW COLLEGE

NEW HEY ROAD, HUDDERSFIELD, HD3 4GL

Every Tuesday
During School Term Times

Try a session for FREE

Children build confidence & make new friends in a fun environment

Lots of competitions & prizes to be won

£8 per session paid in blocks of 4 weeks (£32)

Group 1
5:30 - 6:30pm
Ages 4-6

Group 2
6:30 - 7:30pm
Ages 7-8

Group 3
7:30 - 8:30pm
Ages 9-12

Sessions held inside sports hall (outdoor facilities also available during summer months)



FA qualified & DBS checked coaches including ex-professional players

Fully supervised - parents also welcome to watch the sessions

Weekly fun based football coaching sessions for all abilities

Trophies for all players on the final week of each school term (12-16 weeks)

To book a place on the course please text
"HUDDERSFIELD, child's name, age & group"
to 07846 770 250

Boys & Girls

Ages 4 - 12

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West Yorkshire Combined Authority | Tracy Brabin Mayor of West Yorkshire

Adult Learning Kirklees

Journey Together

BUILDING FOUNDATIONS IN SEND PARENTING



Learn strategies for supporting your child with SEND, how to advocate for their needs, and connect with a community of like-minded parents and carers.



- Understanding SEND and what it means for your child
- Practical strategies to help with daily routines
- Support with Speech, Language and Communication
- Navigating the education system and accessing support
- Building resilience and self-care for parents and carers

Course Details:

5 WEEKLY SESSIONS STARTING **TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 2026**

9.30AM-12.30PM

CONTINUES 17/11, 24/11, 1/12 AND 8/12

FIXBY J&I SCHOOL, HUDDERSFIELD, HD2 2HB

Contact us or scan the QR code to book your place

success.centres@kirklees.gov.uk

01484 234153

COURSE CODE
FL2526024

Kirklees Success Centre

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ALMONDBURY SEND ACTIVITY INFORMATION EVENT FOR PARENTS

Join Local Offer, Fresh Futures and PCAN for a friendly information event, please drop by for refreshments and a chat.

- ✅ Inpals
- ✅ Central Stars
- ✅ Short Breaks
- ✅ OpenEd Lego
- ✅ Kirklees interaction
- ✅ Rainbow Valley
- ✅ Bollywood Dancing

Find out about what inclusive activities are available for children and young people with SEND

Fri 13th Nov 1-5pm, Almondbury Library
Off Farfield Rd, Huddersfield HD5 8TD

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HGCT are doing a coat collection appeal this winter.

They are wanting to take donations of clean, old or new coats for those in need.

Donations will be accepted until Wednesday 6th December. Coats can be donated directly to The Zone, St Andrews Road,

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REGISTERED CHARITY NO: 1117768

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ROCK STEADY

DOES YOUR CHILD WANT TO PLAY MUSIC IN THEIR OWN BAND?



With Rocksteady, children learn to play an instrument through fun and inclusive weekly in-school rock and pop band lessons.

It's the perfect way to learn new musical skills, make friends and have a great time - all at school! There's no musical experience necessary and instruments for lessons are provided.

Rocksteady lessons are also shown to boost confidence, improve wellbeing and encourage teamwork!

Scan QR code to find out more!



98%
OF PARENTS SAY THEIR CHILD LOVES OR ENJOYS ROCKSTEADY BAND LESSONS



94%
OF PARENTS SAY ROCKSTEADY IMPROVES THEIR CHILD'S CONFIDENCE

0330 113 0330 (Mon-Thurs 8am-8pm, Fri 8am-6pm, local rate)

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- details on the lessons we offer
- how to apply for lessons
- opportunities for group music making at our centres

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brass

strings

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percussion

keyboards

voice



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Safeguarding at St Joseph's Catholic Primary Academy



Mr. D Marshall
Designated Safeguarding Lead

Our Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads at St Joseph's are:



Miss. R Ruddy
SENDCo



Mrs. J Land
Dep. Headteacher



Mrs. S Greene
Pastoral Lead

If you have any concerns about a child at St Joseph's, please speak to a member of the safeguarding team.