



Friday Update

19th December 2025



★ A message from Mrs O'Donoghue ★

As we come to the end of another term, I would like to thank our pupils, families and staff for their continued support, kindness and sense of community. At this special time of year, we are reminded of the importance of love, generosity and hope, values that are at the heart of our school.



I hope the Christmas break brings you time to rest, reflect and enjoy precious moments with family and friends. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in the New Year, refreshed and ready for the term ahead.

From us all here at St Jo's, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a happy and peaceful New Year.



School Clubs

There will no school clubs on the first week back to school, **apart from Justin's Football.**

Clubs will resume as normal the week commencing Monday 12th January.



Flute

A space has become available to learn flute next term. Please grab a music tuition form from the office if you're interested.

School's out for Christmas!
We return to school on Monday 5th January.



Year 1

Upon our return to school in January, year 1 will have a visit from The Creature Teacher! Please ensure you have secured your child's space via ParentPay.

Year 3

You should have received information this week about the Hooke Court Residential - a much loved trip that we have attended for many years. This year, it's your child's turn to take part! Please note that Hooke Court requires exact numbers by the beginning of February at the latest, so **we kindly ask that you confirm as soon as possible to avoid missing out.**



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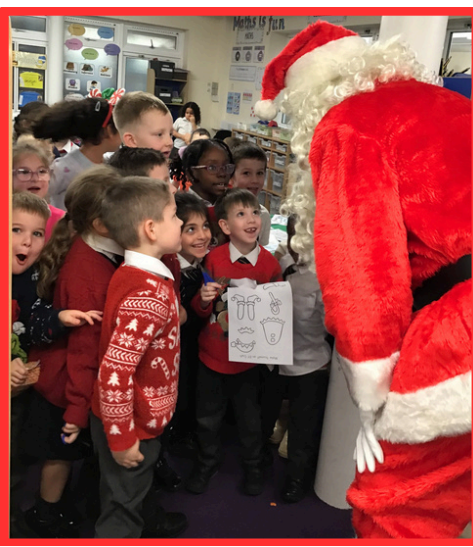


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This week has been rounded off perfectly with lots of festive fun across the school. Pupils enjoyed a special visit from Santa, shared a delicious Christmas lunch, and took part in class parties, movies, and creative crafting. There was plenty of excitement, with quizzes and scavenger hunts keeping everyone entertained. The week also included a whole school Mass at the church, bringing everyone together in reflection and celebration of the season, before finishing with a wonderful panto performance of Snow White.

It was the perfect way to bring everyone together and truly capture the Christmas spirit.



Staying Safe Online

As we approach the Christmas holidays, many children will spend more time online. It's important to remind them to be kind, responsible, and safe when using the internet. Encourage your child to speak to a trusted adult if anything they see or experience online makes them feel worried.

Using devices in shared spaces, setting screen time limits, and talking about safe online behaviour helps keep children happy and protected while they enjoy their favourite games and videos.