

NEWSLETTER

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Friday 7th November 2025

Head Teacher's message

Dear Parents, Carers,

Welcome back to school, we hope you had a restful half term break. We are all looking forward to a busy Term 2 and the exciting lead up to Christmas!

One of the highlights of this term is going to be our whole school field trip to Bristol on 27th November, to support the children's Geography and History learning objectives for last term and this. So that we can finalise our plans, can we please ask that if you have not yet done so, you return your permission for your child/children to attend. If you have any questions about the trip please do not hesitate to talk to us, we are very happy to meet with you.

As we approach Remembrance Day a reminder that we have Poppies in school, should you wish to make a donation from 50p upwards to the Poppy Appeal. We will be focusing our Monday Worship on Remembrance and will observe the 2 min silence on Tuesday, together as a school, at 11am.

Worship this Term

Our St Joseph's virtues focus this term is Peace, which we will explore fully through the themes of Remembrance, Advent and Christmas. Alongside this, our Catholic Social Teaching focus is Family and Community and in RE lessons the children will be learning about Prophecy and Promise. We will continue to update the website with our weekly worship focus. We always value your attendance at our weekly Celebration assembly, on Fridays at 2.45pm, so please do come along and share in our pride at all the marvellous things that happen in our school community every week.

Staffing Announcement

Mrs Smith, our very longstanding and much valued TA, has recently made the decision that it is time for a new venture and is sadly going to be leaving St Joseph's on 21st November to take up a position in another local school. Many of you will have known Mrs Smith from your own time at St Joseph's and we know you will share our sadness that it is time for her to move on. We will miss Mrs Smith, and her incredible knowledge and expertise, but we wish her all the very best in her exciting new role and look forward to her keeping in touch with us.



We are delighted to announce that our traditional Christmas Panto this year will be on **Friday 12**th **December at 9.30am** when Rainbow Theatre Productions will be entertaining us with their performance of Sleeping Beauty. This is always a very popular event with the children and we would like to welcome parents and younger siblings to join us.

We are hugely grateful to the school PFA for subsidising the production and are asking for a donation of £2 per child, sibling and parent towards this fun, extra-curricular Christmas activity. Two items have been set up on Parentpay, one for each child, and an additional item for parents and siblings where more than one ticket can be selected. Please note that capacity for parents and siblings is limited to 30 so places will be on a first come, first served basis.

This week's Wednesday Word is ENTHUSIASM

"Remember the past with gratitude, live the present with enthusiasm, look forward to the future with confidence." Pope Saint John Paul II



The Wednesday Word is available on our website: https://www.st-josephs-malmesbury.wilts.sch.uk/prayer-life/

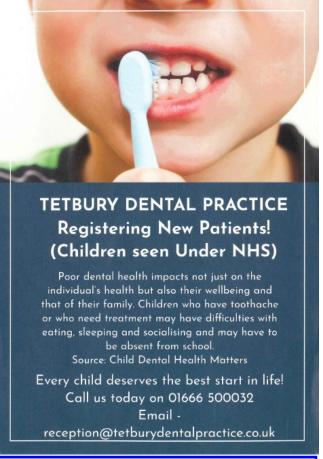
Attendance W/C 3/11/25

St Teresa 98.6%

St Aldhelm 98.1%

St Carlo 100%





Tetbury Dental Practice is currently registering new children as NHS patients - please see contact details above if you would like to register your child.

Family Hub Wiltshire Council

SEN Camp Out for Summer 2026

Wiltshire Family Hubs are currently planning an SEN Camp Out for Summer 2026 (25th-27th August) and are looking for expressions of interest for families who may like to attend, who have a child with any level of SEN and/or neurodivergence. Costs will be kept to a minimum and it looks like a full and exciting itinerary of activities. Please complete the form at this link to show your interest and register to attend:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx? id=lbuzweArvEyPDjWn0T1VGdkWoCphknNMipmHaxDo6U hUQUxOWkc0WTIFSU9EWUZNN1dPTkhHU0gySi4u