



ST JUDE'S C OF E SCHOOLS FEDERATION NEWSLETTER



DATE: 22/05/2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

The only way to finish this half-term is by celebrating the success of our SIAMS inspection and sharing with you some of my favourite extracts:

A strong sense of care and mutual respect characterises the school community. Grounded in its Christian vision, the school fosters an environment where consideration and compassion are evident.

The school community demonstrates a commitment to positive, respectful relationships. Staff live out the vision by modelling kindness and compassion, establishing clear expectations. This creates a culture where pupils feel safe and valued.

Staff know pupils well and respond with precise, personalised support.

The partnership between the church and school enriches this culture, deepening pupils' spiritual engagement.

The vision shapes a nurturing culture grounded in educational excellence, kindness and courage. This promotes fairness, wellbeing and mutual care amongst staff. Consequently, pupils model kindness and demonstrate positive behaviours, reflecting the vision in action. Interactions remain respectful and compassionate, demonstrating strong relational practice.

We are so proud of how the children demonstrated our school values on the day, but we weren't surprised that they did because they do this every day! Thanks again to the parents, governors and clergy who joined us for the inspection and for the wonderful staff who live out our Christian vision every day and who always bring smiles to work to share.

At last, the sunshine has come to join us. I hope you all have time to enjoy it together next week.

Best wishes, Mrs Chiverton



“Driven by the vision, ‘kindness in the community’ underpins relationships and behaviour at St Jude’s. Adults and pupils are treated well”.

St Jude’s C/E Junior School SIAMS Report 2024

“A strong sense of care and mutual respect characterises the school community. Grounded in its Christian vision, the school fosters an environment where consideration and compassion are evident, allowing individuals and the wider school community to prosper”.

St Jude’s C/E Infant School SIAMS Report 2026

I am so very proud of both our schools and so very privileged to be part of the life of our schools because of my role as Vicar of St Jude’s Church. The two quotations above are taken from reports on our schools following their inspection by the Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS). Both reports have said lots of good things about us. It’s especially lovely to read that we are seen as caring communities who look after each other. That’s certainly what I see, and what Jeremy and Helen see, when we come in to take Collective worship.

Caring communities only happen when everyone works together. So, my message this half-term is a big “Thank You” to all of you. Thank you to children, parents and carers, teachers and teaching assistants, all members of staff and governors too. Special thanks of course to Mrs Chiverton and Mrs Ashplant for their inspiring leadership of us all. And on this occasion too, an extra “thank you” to Mrs Austin, who takes the lead on our RE Curriculum, which is a very important part of our SIAMS inspections.























So, a bit “shout out” to you all! Special congratulations to Year 6 who have had SATS this term. But to “Team St Jude’s C/E Schools” – you are amazing! Thank you all!




God bless you all


Judith, the Vicar


Don't forget to go online to www.scopay.com to order your child's lunches in advance. There still a few parents forgetting to order their child's lunches and this has an impact n the kitchen and the meal choice availability.

Infant school lunches are free. Juniors lunches are £2.90 each. If you are entitled to free school meals, this will be noted on www.scopay.com so you will not have to pay.

 				
Weeks Starting 13th April, 4th May, 1st June, 22nd June, 13th July, 7th September, 28th September and 19th October				
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1   Cheese and Tomato Pizza with Potato Tots	Option 1  Beef Bolognese with Pasta	Option 1 Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Option 1  Spanish Chicken with Rice	Option 1 Fish Fingers with Oven Chips
Vegetarian Option 2  Chinese Veggie Noodles	Option 2   Veggie Sausage Roll with half a Jacket Potato	Option 2   Sweet Potato and Lentil Sausages with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Option 2   Cheesy Tomato Pasta with Garlic Bread	Option 2  Veggie Dippers with Oven Chips
Option 3 School's Choice	Option 3 School's Choice	Option 3 School's Choice	Option 3 School's Choice	Option 3 School's Choice
Sides:  Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread	Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread	Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread	Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread	Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
Dessert:  Gingerbread Biscuit	Dessert:  Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Sauce	Dessert:   Cheese and Biscuits with Sliced Apple	Dessert:   Orange and Peach Jelly	Dessert:  Vanilla Ice Cream

 Vegetarian
  Hidden veggies
  Contains a minimum of 50% fruit







Week 2


Spring / Summer 2026 Menu


Weeks Starting:
 20th April, 11th May, 8th June,
 29th June, 20th July,
 14th September and 5th October

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Option 1	Option 1	Option 1	Option 1
Creamy Pesto Pasta Bake	Superfood Beef Burger with Potato Tots	Roast Pork with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Chicken Korma with Rice	Harry Ramsden's Fish with Oven Chips
Vegetarian Option 2	Option 2	Option 2	Option 2	Option 2
Forest Green Vegan Patty with Potato Tots	Veg Korma with Rice	Cheesy Lentil and Sweet Potato Parcel with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Cheesy Courgette and Tomato Twist with half a Jacket Potato	Vegetable Fajitas with Oven Chips
Option 3	Option 3	Option 3	Option 3	Option 3
School's Choice	School's Choice	School's Choice	School's Choice	School's Choice
Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread	Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread	Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread	Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread	Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
Dessert: Lemon Shortbread	Dessert: Banana Sponge with Vanilla Custard	Dessert: Strawberry Jelly	Dessert: Sticky Orange Cake	Dessert: Peaches and Yoghurt

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Week 3


Spring / Summer 2026 Menu

Weeks Starting:
 27th April, 18th May, 15th June, 6th July,
 31st August, 21st September
 and 12th October

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Option 1	Option 1	Option 1	Option 1
Veggie Pizza with Potato Tots	Pork Sausages (contains beef) with Creamed Potato and Gravy	Roast Chicken with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Sweet and Sour Chicken with Rice	Fish Fingers with Oven Chips
Vegetarian Option 2	Option 2	Option 2	Option 2	Option 2
Vegan Bolognese with Pasta	Veggie Sausages with Creamed Potato and Gravy	Plant Hero Vegan Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy	Sweet Potato Whirl with Rice	Mac 'n' Cheese
Option 3	Option 3	Option 3	Option 3	Option 3
School's Choice	School's Choice	School's Choice	School's Choice	School's Choice
Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread	Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread	Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread	Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread	Sides: Seasonal Vegetables, Salad Bar & Fresh Bread
Dessert: Fruity Oat Cookie	Dessert: Strawberry and Peach Shortbread Crunch	Dessert: Fresh Dairy Yoghurt	Dessert: Apple Crumble and Custard	Dessert: Twin Ice Lolly

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WHAT THE INFANTS HAVE BEEN UP TO.....



As part of our DT unit 'Chop, Slice and Mash', Year 2 put our food preparation skills to the test and created a fruit salad. We learned about the different ways we may need to prepare food, the importance of washing our hands beforehand and we then got to each some delicious fruit. It was a sunny day so we took our fruit salads outside to enjoy them!



Year 1 using the different skills they have learnt in their DT unit to prepare fruit to make a fruit salad.



Reception have enjoyed their topic 'Come Outside' this half term. We have looked at lots of different minibeasts and were lucky enough to enjoy a visit from a beekeeper who let us try on some beekeeping suits and taught us a bee waggle dance.



This half term Nursery's topic has been Marvellous Machines and we've been using lots of different construction materials and tools to make vehicles, robots, dens and other marvellous inventions.

WHAT THE JUNIORS HAVE BEEN UP TO.....

Lower school have made their own mosaics.



They also made Roman shields and learned Roman fighting techniques.



Year 5 enjoyed a residential trip to High Ashurst.



'Winter' sports and clubs continued this half term but have now drawn to a close and all teams played with excellent spirit, values and enthusiasm. Well done and thank you to all the children who have represented our school within sports so far this year. We now look forward to our summer athletics events next half term!





Year 6 took part in a law workshop with a mock trial.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

25 th – 29 th May Half Term			
JUNE			
1 st	INSET Day – school closed	1 st	INSET Day – school closed
4 th	Reception trip to ACS Farm 10-11am	2 nd	Roman Workshop for Lower School (dress up)
	Yr 2 start swimming this Friday	2 nd – 13 th	Yr4 Multiplication Test (statutory online test)
9 th	Yr 1 & Yr 2 Phonics Check this week	10 th – 12 th	Yr 6 PGL Liddington residential
19 th	Father's Day assembly for Butterfly and Bumblebee Class at 2.00pm and 2.15pm for KS1 and then visit classrooms.		
20 th	Englefield Green Village Fayre	20 th	Englefield Green Village Fayre
		22 nd	Sports Day 1pm (parents invited)
26 th	Grandparents afternoon 2.15-3pm	26 th	Grandparents afternoon 1.30-2pm
30 th	New reception at Infants & Yr 2 transition Day at the Juniors	30 th	Yr 6 Transition day at The Magna Carta School
30 th	New to EYFS Information Evening 6.30pm		
JULY			
		1 st	New to Yr 3 Parent Information Evening
		4 th	Summer Fair TBC
		7 th	Yr 4 brass concert – 2pm – parents invited
8 th	Sports Day PM – parents invited	8 th	Upper School performance 7pm
		9 th	Upper School performance 7pm
		10 th	Upper school exhibition and Lower school Parent Sharing morning from 9-9.30am
13 th	International Week	14 th	Swimming Gala Yrs 3 & 4 (A.M) and Yrs 5 & 6 (P.M.)
17 th	School reports shared	17 th	School reports shared
17 th	International exhibition 3-4pm	17 th	Yr 6 Leavers party (parents to arrange)
21 st	Yr 2 Leavers assembly 9am	22 nd	Yr 6 Leavers assembly 9am
21 st	Yr 2 Leavers party 3-4pm	22 nd	School ends at 2pm
22 nd	School ends at 1.30pm		
Summer Holidays			
	1 st September INSET Day		1 st September INSET Day
	Term begins 2 nd September 2026		Term begins 2 nd September 2026



For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

John 3:16



A prayer of St. Francis of Assisi

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy.



Christchurch are hosting a seminar run by care for the family in June, looking at how to help parents navigate the digital world with safety.

Screen Time - Practical ways to help parents navigate the digital world safely.

A seminar run by care for the family.

Thursday 11th June 7.30 to 9.30 at Christchurch Virginia Water

No cost – more details on the church website or sign up at <https://christchurchvw.churchsuite.com/events/kakrfm11>



Runnymede Council is offering free growing kits for residents. Please visit their website for further information.



