

Welcome to St Joseph's Primary School



Open Evening
20th December 2023

Mission statement

Surround ourselves with a happy, secure learning environment for all.

Join together the home, the school and the wider community.

Promote academic and cultural excellence.

Support and provide for everyone's individuality.



St. Joseph's Primary School

- Founded by the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Mary
- Current Enrolment = 389
- Admissions Number = 56
- 14 classes
- Learning Support
 - Literacy
 - Numeracy
 - EAL
 - Lexia, Toe by Toe, Mathletics, Healthy Minds
- Happy learning environment
- A school at the heart of its local community



What makes St. Joseph's different?

A school in the heart of the community

- *Linen Centre*
- *Island Arts Centre*
- *The River Lagan*
- *Wallace Park*
- *Wallace Park Tennis Dome*
- *Castle Gardens*
- *Lisburn Racquets' Clubs*

Sporting Opportunities

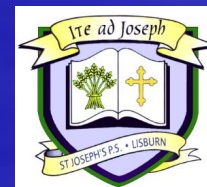
- *A broad, balanced and progressive PE Curriculum*
- *Tennis and badminton at local facilities*
- *Basketball Blitzes*
- *Teams: Gaelic, Soccer, Basket Ball, Swimming, Handball*
- *Participation in district primary school leagues in various sports*
- *Range of afterschool sporting clubs*
- *Various sporting opportunities in -house offered by professionals*
- *Daily Mile with Dr Breslin*

After School Clubs...

- *Miniversity, Dance, Coding, Football, Senior and Junior Choir, Gaelic, Art Club, Healthy Kidz, Digital Music, Forest Schools, Performing Arts, STEM Club, Multisports, Gardening Club and Eco Club.*

Music at St Joseph's

- **Musical Tuition:**
 - ❖ *Clarinet*
 - ❖ *Tin Whistle*
 - ❖ *Guitar*
 - ❖ *Flute*
 - ❖ *Violin*
- *Junior and Senior Choir*
- *Two performances a year in a 400 seater theatre*
- *Folk Group and Choir for Liturgical Events*



Cool Kids: After Schools Care....

- *8am – 9am*
- *We offer Early Drop Off Club for your child to attend for £1 a day.*

- *2pm - 5.30pm*
- *2pm - 3pm £4 (P1-P3)*
- *2pm - 4:30pm £10*
 - *5:30pm £14*

- *July & August 8am-5pm*

The little extras.....

- ✓ Buddies
- ✓ Eco Council
- ✓ Pupil Council
- ✓ Digital Leaders
- ✓ Learning Leaders
- ✓ Sustrans
- ✓ Ambassador School
- ✓ Educational Visits
- ✓ Links with local post-primary schools
- ✓ Community Relations projects with Harmony Hill Primary School



Awards and Accreditations



Our Academic Record

GL Assessment

| | January 2018 43 pupils sat GL | January 2019 42 pupils sat GL | January 2020 37 pupils sat GL | February 2022 49 pupils sat GL | February 2023 45 pupils sat GL |
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| Grade A | 26 pupils | 31 pupils | 27 pupils | 34 pupils | 29 pupils |
| Grade B1 | 5 pupils | 3 pupils | 3 pupils | 4 pupils | 3 pupils |
| Grade B2 | 1 pupil | 1 pupil | 3 pupils | 5 pupils | 5 pupils |
| Grade C1 | 5 pupils | 1 pupil | 0 pupils | 2 pupils | 3 pupils |
| Grade C2 | 3 pupils | 2 pupils | 3 pupils | 2 pupils | 2 pupils |
| Grade D | 3 pupils | 4 pupils | 1 pupil | 2 pupils | 3 pupils |



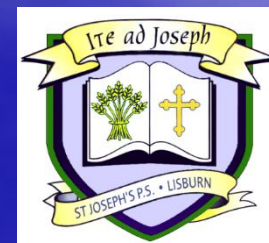
AQE

| | January 2018 44 pupils sat AQE | | January 2019 43 pupils sat AQE | | January 2020 37 pupils sat AQE | | February 2022 57 pupils sat AQE | | February 2023 48 Pupils sat AQE | |
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| Band 1 | 106+ | 24 pupils | 106+ | 21 pupils | 106+ | 22 pupils | 106+ | 30 pupils | 106+ | 25 pupils |
| Band 2 | 103 – 105 | 3 pupils | 103 – 105 | 4 pupils | 103 – 105 | 5 pupils | 103 – 105 | 8 pupils | 103 – 105 | 6 pupils |
| Band 3 | 99 – 102 | 5 pupils | 99 – 102 | 7 pupils | 99 – 102 | 2 pupils | 99 – 102 | 7 pupils | 99 – 102 | 2 pupils |
| Band 4 | 94 – 98 | 5 pupils | 94 – 98 | 2 pupils | 94 – 98 | 3 pupils | 94 – 98 | 4 pupils | 94 – 98 | 4 pupils |
| Band 5 | 88 – 93 | 2 pupils | 88 – 93 | 5 pupils | 88 – 93 | 4 pupils | 88 – 93 | 2 pupils | 88 – 93 | 5 pupils |
| Band 6 | 87 or below | 5 pupils | 87 or below | 4 pupils | 87 or below | 1 pupil | 87 or below | 6 pupils | 87 or below | 6 pupils |



- September 2023: From the children who sat the Transfer Tests, 98% went on to Grammar Schools.

Rathmore, Friends, Wallace, Hunterhouse, Victoria, Methody, Inst, Assumption, St. Mary's, St. Dominic's, Victoria, Lagan College .



ETI Report February 2018

The outcomes for learners in numeracy are now good. The children talk enthusiastically about their mathematical learning.

The outcomes for learners in literacy are now very good.

The school's internal data now indicates that over 90% of the children achieve standards in literacy and numeracy as expected and higher than expected.

The children are now using ICT appropriately and making good progress across all aspects of the ICT curriculum.

The strategic and very effective leadership of the acting principal and acting vice-principal.



Criteria for selection

- Eligible children of compulsory school age who:-
 - Have a brother or sister, half-brother/half-sister, step brother/step sister, enrolled in St Joseph's P.S and indicate this on the application form
 - Have had a brother or sister, half-brother/half-sister, step brother/step sister, enrolled in St Joseph's P.S and indicate this on the application form
 - Are children of the current (2023/24) permanent employees of the school and indicate this on the application form
 - Are the eldest or only child in the family and reside in the Parish of Blaris and indicate this on the application form
- Reside in the Parish of Blaris
- Reside outside the Parish of Blaris.



Sub-Criteria for over subscription

In the event of being over-subscribed in any of the above categories, the following sub- criteria will be applied:

- Children will be admitted on the basis of the initial letter of their surname as written on their birth certificate in the order set out below:
- **C P A M c H I T M a c U L B Z O X Q K G D M S Y W F E R N V J**
- In the event of surnames beginning with the same initial letter, as outlined above, the subsequent letters of the surname will be used in strict alphabetical order.
- In the event of two identical surnames, the alphabetical order of the initials of the forenames will be used.



Parents.....

- Online Portal information & key dates for the application process etc



Key Dates
September 2024 to
June 2025 school year

12 December 2023
Admissions Criteria published

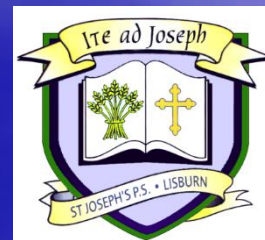
9 January 2024
Applications open at 12noon

26 January 2024
Applications close at 12noon

Scan here for
more information

www.eani.org.uk

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Pupil Voice

- ✓ Pupil Council
- ✓ Eco-Council
- ✓ Why choose St. Joseph's?



A day in the life of Primary 1.....

ST. JOSEPH'S PRIMARY SCHOOL



Why Choose St Joseph's?

We want them to be
'the best that they can be'...
and we will do what it takes
to get them there.