



Autumn Term 2021

12th November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers

Gospel

This week's Wednesday word is **Faithfulness**. Let us all try this next week to grow in Faithfulness and be really true to each other. If we are Faithful to God now we will certainly be rewarded in this life and in the life to come.

Year 3 Collective Worship

A huge thank you to Year 3 for leading Collective Worship last week. The children were so reverent and sang beautifully, especially our soloists.

Year 4 were equally reverent and prayerful when they led our prayer last week.

Derwent Hill

We are again fortunate to have secured a place at Derwent Hill for a residential week for next academic year. We have been offered places for every current Year 5 child in the Autumn Term, Monday 10th October 2022 to Friday 14th October 2022.

This is a wonderful opportunity for the children and as in the past, we will be operating a savings scheme in school for those parents wishing to pay in instalments.

Please don't forget to sign up. You can do this by completing the form already sent out and paying a deposit. Please do this no later than Monday 15th November 2021.

This is a fantastic trip not to be missed.

Covid-19

We continue to be ever vigilant and with rising case numbers we are unable to invite you into our Liturgical Prayers at the moment. We are sure this will only be for a short time. We will Live Tweet our Liturgical Prayer at this time and are very sorry for any inconvenience this causes.

Reading

Please ensure that your child has their Reading book and Reading Diary in school **every day**. Remember reading is the key to all aspects of learning. It develops your child's brain, provides a window into the world around them and helps them do better in all school subjects. Read every day with your child and note this in their reading diary.

Raffle Tickets (Friends of St Joseph)

Please buy as many raffle tickets as you can. You could be the proud owner of a Nintendo Switch or one of our other fabulous prizes. This will help provide your child with items such as tablets (30 new ones were

recently purchased to help your child's learning) and picnic benches (they are on the way!). Please return your money and raffle tickets to school by 29th November.

Anti-Bullying Week

Anti-bullying Week 2021 is being held next week, between the 15th and 19th November.

Mrs Mills and Mrs Moore are the leads in school for Anti-Bullying and they would like us to 'kick-off' Anti-Bullying week by taking part in Odd Sock Day on Monday 15th November.

Please encourage your child to participate; demonstrating their support against bullying through wearing their odd socks on Monday 15th November. The more colourful, the better! Odd Socks Day is designed to be fun! It's an opportunity to encourage people to express themselves and celebrate their individuality and what makes us all unique!

All children will be doing work around Anti Bullying - the theme this year is 'One Kind Word'.

Christmas Lunch - Thursday 9th December 2021

All children in Reception to Year 6 are invited to stay for Christmas lunch, which takes place on Thursday 9th December. The menu is as follows:

Roast Turkey with Stuffing Balls	College Pudding & Custard
Chipolata Sausages	Selection of Christmas
A selection of Winter Vegetables	cakes and biscuits
Roast potatoes and creamed potatoes	
Gravy	

Vegetarian Choice – Christmas vegetable loaf

If your child does NOT normally stay for school meals and would like to take up this opportunity please make an online payment of £2.20 no later than **Friday 26th November 2021** for the cost of the meal. Please ensure you put your child's name and 'CHRISTMAS LUNCH' in the comments box of your online payment

Children who already stay for school dinners will, of course, automatically receive their Christmas lunch.

School Jumper Day - Thursday 9th December 2021

Ho Ho Ho. It's time to dust off those Christmas Jumpers or pop some tinsel in your hair – whatever you can manage to celebrate the festivities!



Payments

Please, please make your payments online if you can. If it is impossible for you to do so, cash must be in an envelope with your child's name and details of the payment clearly marked. School can supply envelopes if you do not have any – just ask at the office. Below is a reminder on how to make your payments online:

ON LINE PAYMENTS - Instructions

- Log on to the Sunderland City Web Site – www.sunderland.gov.uk
- On the left hand side of the home page select '£ Pay'
- Select 'School Meals and Expenses'

St. Joseph's R.C. Primary School
ST. JOSEPH'S R.C. PRIMARY SCHOOL
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Class:
Date:
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 Trip Money
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- From the drop down box select **St Joseph's RC Primary Sunderland** (please ensure that you select the correct school and not St Josephs in Washington)
- Once you have selected St Joseph's RC Primary School from the next drop down box select either : **school meals, school visits, music lessons, after school clubs or nursery provision**
- From the payments online page complete the all details for your child and the amount that you are paying. **It is essential on this page that** in the **message box** you **state the name of your child** and the amount that you wish to pay.
- Once you have entered your details press continue and your payment will be displayed where you will have the option to amend or delete. If all information is correct then press continue.
- You now have the option to input your card details for payment. You must enter at this point your email address which will enable school to receive a return email confirming the amount you have paid.
- You will now receive an email which you can keep for your own records detailing the amount you have paid and which date you have paid this amount on.

Avoid the queue at the Office

Any return slips or envelopes should be given to your child to hand to their teacher. Please don't hand this in at the office. Thank you.

Morrisons 'It's Good to Grow' Scheme

Help us get FREE gardening equipment for our school:

1

Scan your physical or digital MyMorrisons card every time you shop or link it to your account online or via the app. Don't have an account? [Register here.](#)

2

Collect 1 Grow Token for every £10 spent in store or online.

3

On your MyMorrisons account, go to the It's Good to Grow section and select St Joseph's RC Primary School Sunderland and donate your Grow Tokens.

4

After the collection period, we can redeem your Grow Tokens against gardening equipment to get kids growing!

Need more information? Click on the link below:

<https://www.itsgoodtogrow.co.uk/>

Attendance

Last week's attendance...

Reception	98.3
Year 1	96.0
Year 2	98.7
Year 3	99.3
Year 4	100
Year 5	98.4
Year 6	98.0

Spike went to Class 4 for the week ending 5th November 2021 with an excellent attendance of 100%.

Upcoming Events

November 2021

15th- 19th November	Anti-Bullying Week
18th November	Year 5 Liturgical Prayer at 2.30pm – streamed on Twitter
19 th November	Year 3 visit to Seven Stories
25 th November	Year 5 visit to the climbing wall (am)
26th November Inset Day	School Closed
28 th November	First Holy Communion Mass in Church at 9.30am
29 th November	Road Safety visiting Reception

December 2021

1 st December	Year 6 Mass in Church 9.15am
2 nd December	Year 6 visit to Hylton Castle
7 th December	Storyteller visiting school – Nursery – Year 6
8 th December	Year 5 Mass in Church at 9.15am Nursery Nativity Play 9.30am and 2.30pm
9 th December	Christmas Jumper Day Christmas Lunch Day Key Stage 1 (Year 1 and Year 2) Nativity Play 9.30am and 2.00pm
10 th December	Key Stage 1 at the Pantomime.... Oh no they aren't, Oh yes they are! Reception Nativity Play 2.30pm
12 th December	First Holy Communion Mass in Church at 9.30am
13 th December	Nursery Christmas Parties
14 th December	Reception Christmas Party Day
15 th December	Key Stage 1 Christmas Party Day Year 6 Height and Weights Key Stage 2 (Years 3,4,5 and 6) Carol Service in Church 2pm
16 th December	Key Stage 2 Christmas Parties
17 th December	Christmas Sing-a-Long 9.30am (children only) School closes at 3.20pm for Christmas break

Visits enhance learning and the school is keen that all pupils are able to enjoy and learn from these organised excursions.

Please help us by returning any permission slips and monies as requested in trip letters. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Reminders

Earrings and jewellery

In the interests of health and safety, the Governors' policy is that **NO jewellery**, including earrings, rings or necklaces are to be worn to school. If you wish to have your child's ears pierced, the Governors advise that you arrange this to be done at the beginning of the summer holidays so that the wounds are healed in time to avoid the wearing of sleepers when the child returns to school.

School Uniform

Our school uniform is important to us and a source of pride. It is one way in which we identify ourselves as a school family and it promotes a strong, cohesive school identity which supports high standards and expectations in all areas of school life. Please ensure your child is wearing their full school uniform **including a school tie for Years 1 – 6.**

Parents are requested to ensure that all articles of clothing are clearly marked with their child's name. This is important because children change for P.E. and games and items of clothing are easily mislaid.

Car parking

Please help us by not using the turning circle as a car park – it is a drop off only area. Please use the church car park.

Twitter

Please remember to join in our Twitter account if you have not already done so.

@StJosephsSR46HY 

Weekend Mass Times

St. Joseph's Church:	Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm
	Sunday Morning 9:30 am
St. Patrick's Church:	Sunday 9.30am
St. Anne & Holy Family Church:	Sunday 11.00am

Miss S M Brown
Headteacher

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