



Spring Term 2022

25th March 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

Gospel

This week's Wednesday word is Forgiveness. This week's Gospel is the story of The Prodigal Son. We should remember that God welcomes us back with open arms and forgives us when we are truly sorry.

Ukraine

Members of the Mini Vinnies and School Parliament safely delivered all of the items that you so kindly donated for the people of Ukraine, to a depot in Washington last Friday. I would like to take this opportunity to thank governors, staff and children for helping to pack all of the things. We were overwhelmed by your generosity and thank you for your kindness. We continue to pray for peace and an end to the war.

Internet Safety

It has come to our attention that children are logging onto sites at home such as TickTock and Fortnite. Please remember to keep a check on all internet sites that your children are using and make sure you keep them safe.

New Website

We are delighted that we will soon have a new website. Please keep a look out for further information.

COVID

We are really happy to welcome parents back into school to our Liturgical Prayer. Please be aware that if you are showing any signs of COVID-19 you should not enter the school building. We ask all visitors to continue to wear a face covering.

In order to ensure that we limit the risk of transmission where possible, the following guidelines, in line with other Trust schools, have been established for pupils and visitors:

Where an individual is;

1. Displaying COVID-19 symptoms - if displaying any symptoms of COVID-19, they should stay at home and arrange for a PCR test to be taken. Pupils and visitors must not attend school if they are symptomatic. Symptoms or a positive test should be reported to the school as soon as possible.
2. If an individual tests positive for COVID-19, they are advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people. After 5 days, they may choose to take a LFT, followed by another the next day – if both are negative, and they do not have a temperature, they can safely return to school.

We will continue to put voluntary additional measures in place to minimise the risk of transmission within the school settings. These include:

- Ensuring good hygiene for everyone by encouraging pupils to sanitise their hands regularly throughout the day

- Maintaining proper cleaning regimes
- Keeping occupied spaces well ventilated
- Following Public Health advice on testing, self-isolation and managing confirmed cases of COVID-19

Jewellery

For health and safety reasons, we have a no jewellery policy; only watches are permitted to be worn. Any earrings, bracelets, rings etc. must be left at home.

School Uniform

We pride ourselves at St Josephs in being a very special place and achieving better than our best. Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct uniform, including a tie from Year 1 upwards. Thank you

Attendance and House Points

Last week's attendance and House Points:

Last Weeks Attendance		Position	House Name	Points
Reception	91.3	1	St Alphonsa	5008
Class 1	94.0	2	St Bede	4758
Class 2	98.3	3	St Lorenzo	4621
Class 3	91.0	4	St Teresa	4128
Class 4	92.0			
Class 5	91.9			
Class 6	97.3			

Safeguarding is Everyone's Responsibility

Any concerns about safeguarding should be reported to our designated safeguarding lead, Miss Brown or the deputy designated safeguarding leads Mrs Toward, Mrs Forbister, Miss Forbister and Mrs Teasdale. Ask at the school office if you would like a paper copy of the safeguarding policy. All of our Safeguarding policies are available on our school website.

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.

Bikes and Scooters


It has come to our attention that some of our pupils and parents/carers are riding/scooting on the school grounds. I would like to remind you that, for the wellbeing of our staff, pupils, parents and visitors please dismount and walk with your bike/scooter whilst on the school site.

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

Twitter

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

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Upcoming Events

March 2022

30th March Year 1 Road Safety Programme continues

April 2022

4th – 8th April School Holy week
4th April Year 1 Palm Sunday Liturgy
5th April School Nurse talking to each class about Dental Health
6th April Year 3 Last Supper Liturgy at 2.45pm in school
6th April Year 1 Road Safety Programme
6th April 4 KS1 children attending a Maths Challenge with Trust
7th April World Health Day.
7th April Year 5 Stations of the Cross
7th April Year 1 Superheroes Workshop (rearranged)– *please login to ParentPay for more information, to give consent, and make payment.*
8th April Year 6 Visit to Nissan - Monozukuri Caravan Event *please login to ParentPay for more information and to give your consent.*

11th April – 22nd April 2022 Easter Holidays

27th April Year 1 Road Safety Programme
28th April Year 5 visit to Centre for Life - *please login to ParentPay to give consent, advise school whether your child would like a packed lunch and to make payment*

May 2022

2nd May Bank holiday. School Closed
9th – 13th May Key Stage 2 SATs week
17th May School Nurse visit - Emotional Health and Resilience Year 4 and Year 6
20th May Y6 at Empire Theatre to see Billionaire Boy- *please login to ParentPay for more information, to give consent and to make payment*
23rd May School Nurse - Safety –Year 2 and Year 3

30th May – 3rd June 2022 Summer Half Term Holidays

June 2022

10th June Year 1- Year 6 Maths Event.)– *please login to ParentPay for more information, to give consent, and make payment.*
15th June Year 5 Puberty talk with the School Nurse
20th June – 1st July Sports and Fitness Fortnight
22nd June Nursery – Year 6 Healthy Lifestyle Sessions and Key Stage 2 Smoothie Bike
27th June Nursery and reception Sports Day
29th June Year 1- Year 6 Sports Day
29th June KS2 Maths Challenge with the Trust

July 2022

4th – 8th July Year 5 Bikeability
12th July Summer Music Soiree 6pm in school
15th July School reports
20th July Leavers Assembly and Presentation 9am
22nd July School closed for Jubilee Holiday

25th July School is closed for the Summer Holidays and reopens to the children on 7th September 2022.

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 giving your permission and making your payment via ParentPay. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Miss S M Brown
Headteacher



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