

# St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School & Nursery

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13<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Dear Pupils, Parents, Staff and Governors,

Thank you to all who have attended our Curriculum Meetings this week. I hope they have been informative as we start off this school new year. Please note, the Reception class meeting will be on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> September at 9:30 in the Reception classroom.

As we start the new school year, we look forward to welcoming Fr. Kevin and Fr. Alexander to guide us through our Classroom Sessions on our House Saints, our Bible sessions on a range of topics including The Visitation and celebrating mass with us here at St. Joseph's. Indeed, our Welcome Mass for KS1 and KS2 parents and children is on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> September at St. Joseph's at 9:00. We look forward to welcoming you all then.

Next week, we are delighted to welcome, The Right Worshipful the Lord Mayor of Westminster, Robert Rigby who will be visiting our school and re-launching The Daily Mile.

## Healthy Eating

**Children in Nursery, Reception Year 1 and 2 do not need to bring fruit.** The Government provides a selection of fruit for EYFS and KS1, which is distributed accordingly. **Children in Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 must bring a piece of fruit or vegetable. This should only be a small snack because we would want to encourage children to enjoy break-time and not spoil their appetite for lunch.**

Please see the list of possible options available to KS2 children: **cucumber, carrot sticks, apples, tangerines, celery, raisins, pears, bananas, oranges, grapes, dried seaweed, cherry tomatoes, dried mango slices, fresh mango, pineapple etc.** This is not an exhaustive list but we are a Healthy Eating School which means that **we will not** permit snacks that are unhealthy. Any child bringing in crisps, biscuits, sweets, chocolate bars or granola bars will have these confiscated until the end of the school day. Children may not share their snacks with other children because of possible adverse allergic reactions. Finally, we are a NO NUT school and therefore cannot accept cereal bars for fear of cross contamination. All children should bring **a labelled water bottle.**

Our new blue PE T-Shirt will be available in the next few weeks. Please do not worry if your child is still using the former white PE T-shirt. This will be a transition year and the new blue version will be available soon.

Our SJSA have an exciting array of fund-raising events for us all to look forward to. Please note that the AGM is on October 1<sup>st</sup> and all parents are invited.

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Our After-School Clubs start on the week beginning 16<sup>th</sup> September. This term we are offering a wide choice of After-School Club activities including Mandarin, Football, Drama, Art, Lego and much more. Our Choir Club – running on a Thursday and led by Yvette Murphy, Choral Director for Westminster Catholic Diocese – will start on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> September. The latter is open to children from Y3-Y6 and, should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Harrington on [office@stjosephsschool.org.uk](mailto:office@stjosephsschool.org.uk)

May God bless you and keep you safe.

Dr. N Viana  
Mr K Bowles

MERITS AND AWARDS		
NAME	MERITS	AWARDS
REC Miss Chani	-	-
PINK1 Miss (Dorota)Wegrzynowicz	Lisa	Eli
PINK2 Mr Starbuck & Mrs Morrin	Martin	Ada
PINK3 Miss S Ward	Felicitas	Didi
BLUE1 Miss Donnellan & Miss Jackson	Joshua	Coco
BLUE3 Miss Armstrong	Charlotte	Danny
VIOLET 1 Miss Lawson	Poppy	Loic
VIOLET 3 Miss A Ward	Georgina	Natalia

## ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

YEAR GROUP	Percentage Attendance (target >97%)	Late %
RECEPTION 1	95.2%	0.5%
Y1 PINK 1	98.6%	0.5%
Y1/2 PINK 2	97.9%	1.1%
Y2 PINK 3	99.8%	0.4%
Y3 BLUE 1	96.9%	0.1%
Y4 BLUE 3	95.5%	0.6%
Y5 VIOLET 1	93.3%	0.4%
Y6 VIOLET 3	87.9%	0.7%
Totals	95.6%	0.5%

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2024

### September

#### Monday 16<sup>th</sup>

Afterschool clubs commence (11 weeks)

#### Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Visiting students from St. Ursula's Hanover

#### Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>

Welcome Mass for KS1 & KS2 @9am school hall

#### Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>

Curriculum meetings Reception class @ 9:10am

#### Friday 27<sup>th</sup>

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Feast of St Vincent de Paul (classroom sessions)

#### Monday 30<sup>th</sup>

Poetry week begins

Y2 Pink 3 visiting Forest School pm

### October

#### Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup>

Feast of St Therese de Lisieux

Children's lunchtime Rosary club begins

#### Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Poet Idol Assembly

Climate workshop Y5 pm

#### Friday 4<sup>th</sup>

Feast of St. Francis (classroom sessions Y5&Y6)

#### Monday 7<sup>th</sup>

Phonics Workshop Y1 9:10am

#### Friday 11<sup>th</sup>

Climate workshop Y5 pm

#### Monday 14<sup>th</sup>

Rec visiting Forest School am (half class)

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## **Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>**

Bible session talk KS1

## **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup>**

Pink 1 visiting Forest School am (half class)

Pink 2 visiting Forest School pm (half class)

## **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>**

Climate workshop Y5 pm

## **Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

9am KS1 & KS2 Harvest celebrations

## **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Parent Teacher Consultation 3 – 5:30pm

## **Thursday 24<sup>th</sup>**

Parent Teacher Consultation 3 – 6:00pm

Term ends 3:30pm

## **Friday 25<sup>th</sup>**

Inset day (staff professional training day)

## **Half term**

## **November**

## **Friday 1<sup>st</sup>**

Term begins

Feast of All Saints