

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School & Nursery

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19th October 2023

Dear Children, Parents, Staff and Governors,

As we finish this half term, I hope our Parent Teacher Consultations have been informative and show the progress children have made.

Across the school, children have settled so well and are a credit to all of the adults, both in and out of school who have supported them.

Thank you to all our parents who were able to join us for our Our Harvest Festival Assembly this week. All of our pupils enjoyed their art work, poetry, prayers and songs to celebrate the harvest, give praise to God and to remember those less fortunate. Special to Fr. Kevin for his harvest blessing and also to Miss Donnellan who organised the Food Bank donations with Fr. Terry in Quex Road.

Our Read-a-thon continues over the Half Term - children have been sharing their tales of imaginative reading locations and the range of books this week during assembly. Thank you to all parents and families for sponsoring the children. Prizes will be given in the Celebration Assembly on Friday 3rd November. The class which raises the most will have a non-school uniform day on Friday 3rd.

As the cold weather approaches, please ensure children are wearing their winter school uniform. Please see our policy, on the school website for more details. Please note, children must wear the correct footwear. Ugg boots, sandals etc. are not suitable for obvious safety reasons. I would like to extend our warmest wishes to Miss Nott as she goes on maternity leave and I know that our pupils in KS1 are looking forward to baby visits in the future! Mrs Morrin visited Pink 2 yesterday and we are excited to welcome her back after the half-term. Finally, we would like to extend a huge thanks to Ruth, our chef who has dedicated over 10 years of service to the school and who is now exploring new career paths and culinary projects. We will miss her attention to detail, her wonderfully catered staff functions and her diligent organisational skills. I know you will join me in wishing her every success in her future.

I wish you a restful and safe Half Term and we look forward to welcoming children back to school on 30th.

May God bless you and keep you safe,

Dr N Viana

Mr K Bowles

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MERITS AND AWARDS		
NAME	MERIT	AWARDS
REC1 Miss Chani	-	-
REC2 Miss Diriye	-	-
PINK1 Miss (Dorota)Wegrzynowicz	Martin	Amran
PINK2 Mr Starbuck	Dante	Kerry
PINK3 Miss S Ward	Ariana	Nevaeh
BLUE1 Miss Donnellan	Charlotte	Shota
BLUE3 Miss Armstrong	Riyu	Lars
VIOLET 1 Miss Lawson	Eduardo	Mariam
VIOLET 3 Miss A Ward	Michael	Miguel

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

YEAR GROUP	Percentage Attendance (target >97%)	Late %
Nursery	90.7	0.5
RECEPTION 1	95.3	0.7
RECEPTION 2	93.0	0.4
Y1 PINK 1	96.4	2.4
Y1/2 PINK 2	96.2	0.8
Y2 PINK 3	97.7	1.2
Y3 BLUE 1	95.9	1.5
Y4 BLUE 3	96.4	1.0
Y5 VIOLET 1	93.3	1.4
Y6 VIOLET 3	97.0	1.4
Totals	95.6	1.2

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2023

October

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Half term Monday 23rd – Friday 27th

Monday 30th

School opens
Readathon Ends

November

Wednesday 1st

All Saints Day Mass for KS1 & KS2 in school hall @2pm parents welcome
Open afternoon for existing parents of Rec and KS1 children @ 2:45pm

Thursday 2nd

All Souls Day
Open afternoon for existing parents of and KS2 children @ 2:45pm

Friday 3rd

Non uniform day for Readathon class winners

Friday 10th

Y6 Violet 3 Remembrance Assembly 10:55am

Saturday 11th

Open morning for prospective parents 10am – 12:30pm

Tuesday 14th

Audio & Visual checks for Reception children

Thursday 16th

Pink 3 Year 2 visiting Forest School

Friday 17th November

Year 5 Violet 1 visiting the Tower of London
Blue 1 Year 3 visiting Forest School am
Blue 3 Year 4 visiting Forest School pm

Tuesday 21st

Spirituality Day KS1 & KS2

Thursday 23rd

Feast of St. Cecilia

Friday 24th

Pink 1 Year 1 visiting Forest School am
Pink 2 Year 1/2 visiting Forest School pm

Thursday 30th

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Pink 1 Year 1 Library visit

December

Friday 1st

Rec 1 visiting Forest School am

Rec 2 visiting Forest School pm

Saturday 2nd

SJSA WINTER GALA

Tuesday 5th

EYFS & KS1 Advent Assembly with Fr Alex (pupils only)

Advent Mass – Y3 Blue 1 & Y4 Blue 3 10am @Church of Our Lady

Wednesday 6th

Advent Mass – Y5 Violet 1 & Year 6 Violet 3 10am @Church of Our Lady

Wednesday 13th

EYFS Nativity @ 9:30am

KS2 Carol Service 6pm @ Church of Our Lady's

Thursday 14th

KS1 Nativity @ 9:30am

KS1 Nativity @ 2pm

Tuesday 19th

School Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 20th

Class Christmas parties

Thursday 21st

School ends 1:30pm