



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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Jesus said: 'I have come that they may have life and have it to the full'.

29th April 2024

Dear Pupils, Staff, Parents and Governors,

Following on from our recent OFSTED Inspection, I am pleased to say that the Inspection Report will be shared with parents in the next few weeks.

As the school year continues, please see the dates for school trips and events. Support from our families is always welcomed. Indeed, many of our trips and events could not take place without this invaluable support.

On the note of school trips, henceforth, all children who usually have a school meal, will be provided with packed lunches as a matter of course. Please ensure children have water bottles for school trips as usual. Parents, are of course, welcome to provide a packed lunch for their children for school meals, if they so wish.

So far, feedback has been very positive indeed from children about our new catering providers, Accent Catering. Please do let me know any further comments.

I have an update on our annual School Auction. The total amount raised is just over £50,000. This is an amazing figure which means we can continue to offer the very best experiences to all the children. Thank you to all who donated, bought, decorated, provided food and so much more. Particular thanks to Rob, Shane, Natalia, Florence and Kerry for their dedication. Additionally, thank you to our sponsors, a list of which has been attached.
Class Auction Promises for all children across the school will take place on 16th June. More details will follow.

Plans are afoot for our Summer Fair, which will take place on Sunday, July 7th here in school. CVCs will be in touch soon with ideas and plans.

Our sporting accolades continue to go from strength to strength! Last week, groups of children from Year 5 were in a Tennis Final Match, coming home with both First and Second place. Congratulations to all and a special mention to Coach Grant for his encouragement.

We are excited to announce that Anastasia, Reyaan and Mateus in Year 6 entered a competition called **Mission Zero**. They worked as a team to create code and write a simple program which had the potential to run in space. We have just found out that they were successful with their mission and that their coding will be used to set a background colour and personalised image for the astronauts on the International Space Station.

A special mention to children in year 5 who completed their **Digital Leader Programme**. Well done to **Stanley, Jacob K, Olivia and Isabelle for their efforts.**

Over the last few weeks, I have been asked by parents for information on our Live Life to the Full Fund. Regular monthly donations help us, as a school, to plan for the medium term and provide some additional financial security for our school. We have arranged for some leaflets to be printed to explain further, with details how to donate. I will share these as they are printed.

With best wishes,

Dr N Viana
Mr K Bowles

MERITS AND AWARDS		
NAME	MERITS	AWARDS
REC1 Miss Chani	Elizabeth	Natalie
REC2 Miss Diriye	Christopher	Antonella
PINK1 Miss (Dorota)Wegrzynowicz	Chloe	Sienna
PINK2 Mr Starbuck & Mrs Morrin	Samuel	Louie
PINK3 Miss S Ward	Kerry	Julia
BLUE1 Miss Donnellan	Elvis	Mia
BLUE3 Miss Armstrong	Platon	Lily
VIOLET 1 Miss Lawson	Youssef	Mariam
VIOLET 3 Miss A Ward	Angela	Darian

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

YEAR GROUP	Percentage Attendance (target >97%)	Late %
RECEPTION 1	98.3%	0.6%
RECEPTION 2	98.2%	1.2%
Y1 PINK 1	96.5%	1.3%
Y1/2 PINK 2	99.0%	0.3%
Y2 PINK 3	94.3%	1.2%
Y3 BLUE 1	93.4%	0.3%
Y4 BLUE 3	92.6%	1.3%
Y5 VIOLET 1	96.5%	0.9%
Y6 VIOLET 3	96.1%	1.8%
Totals	96.1%	1.0%

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2024

April

Monday 29th

Dental Screening for Rec & Year 1

May

Wednesday 1st

Nursery visiting Forest School am

2pm in hall - Whole school Mass – St Joseph the Worker Feast Day

Friday 3rd

Pink 1 visiting Forest school am

Pink 2 visiting Forest school pm

Wednesday 8th

Y5 residential trip to Sayers Croft

Bee workshop Y1, 2, 3 & 4 tbc

Thursday 9th

KS2 attending Ascension Day Mass at Our Lady's church @10am

Friday 10th

Rec 1 visiting Forest school am

Rec 2 visiting Forest school pm

Y5 return from Residential trip

Monday 13th

KS2 SATs week begins

Blue 1 visiting Forest School am

Blue 3 visiting Forest School pm

Tuesday 14th

Crowning of Our Lady service

Thursday 15th

Pink 3 visiting Forest School pm

Friday 17th

Y6 Park visit – tbc

Monday 20th

Year 2 SATs week

Reception trip to the Transport Museum

Tuesday 21st

Y3 & Y4 Visiting Hindu Temple

Y6 parents PGL meeting @3:30pm Sharp Suite

Thursday 23rd

Y5 pupil chaplaincy team members – retreat day @ Westminster Cathedral
Y4 visiting library pm

Friday 24th

Astronomy workshops (whole school)

HALF TERM

Monday 27th – Friday 31st May

June

Monday 3rd

Term begins
Nursery & Reception – library visit

Saturday 8th

Meeting for new parents starting in Reception and Nursery 2024 (invitation only)

Monday 10th

Y1 Phonics week
Y6 residential trip to Osmington Bay
Y3 visiting library pm

Friday 14th

Y5 visiting Science Museum
Y6 return from Osmington Bay

Monday 17th

Blue 1 visiting Forest School am
Blue 3 visiting Forest School pm

Thursday 20th

Pink 3 visiting Forest School pm

Friday 21st

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

Tuesday 25th

9am Mass to celebrate Y3 children's recent First Holy Communion
(Refreshments for families)

Wednesday 26th

Nursery Sports Morning 9am – 11am

Thursday 27th

Sports Day Rec, KS1 & KS2 times tbc

Friday 28th

Rec 1 visiting Forest School am
Rec 2 visiting Forest School pm