



# 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'.*

10<sup>th</sup> May 2024

Dear Pupils, Staff, Parents and Governors,

Last week, we celebrated our patron saint, **Saint Joseph the Worker with a special Mass in school, celebrated with Fr. Alex.** I was so proud of all of our pupils, from Reception to Y6 and so pleased that you enjoyed your celebratory ice-creams! **Thank you also to Sr. Brigid for all of your support with our Pupil Chaplaincy Team.** Our Mass was indeed rendered even more memorable because of the commissioning of our newest members.

**Congratulations to Danny and Emily for your official membership** and I know that our current Pupil Chaplaincy Team will continue to share their wisdom with you. I must also congratulate Mrs. Moulinet who will soon be appointed Lay Chaplain for the Saint Joseph Catholic Academy Trust, working across all five schools. Once again, **I must thank Mrs. Moulinet for her patience and kindness in supporting our Pupil Chaplaincy Team on their spiritual formation.**

**This Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> May, Fr. Alex will say Mass for The Crowning of Mary, here in school.** Please could we ask for flowers to be sent for this special occasion. **Children can place their offerings in the school hall on Monday and Tuesday morning.**

**This week, our KS2 children attended Mass at Our Lady's Church to celebrate Ascension Day.** As usual, their behaviour was beautiful, as was their singing. Thank you to parents who helped us with the journey: your support is always welcome and gratefully received.

**The weather seems (fingers crossed) to be getting better.** Children should wear their summer uniform including hats. The curriculum for children in Nursery and Reception classes is based both inside and outside the classroom. It is particularly important for children in these classes to wear hats and have sun cream applied at home in the mornings. Most children do bring their water bottles every day and if children do forget cups are available in every class. **Water bottles can always be refilled and children have access to water fountains throughout the day.**

**Miss Lawson has reported back from Sayers' Croft.** Year 5 have had a wonderful time and we look forward to welcoming them back. **Miss Brown, who has been working in Year 5 in the role of Student Teacher** returns to her university to complete her studies this week. We wish her the very best of luck.

**Next week sees the start of Year 6 SATs.** Children are invited to have breakfast in school next Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 8:15. Children should go to the main gates on Lanark Road.

Other National Assessments in different year groups are taking place in the forthcoming weeks: I will share details in upcoming newsletters accordingly.

**Plans are afoot for our Summer Fair, which will take place on Sunday, July 7<sup>th</sup>** here in school. CVCs will be in touch soon with ideas and plans. **Mrs Marsili** has kindly agreed to coordinate parents to come and try our new school lunches. I hope parents will be able to make one of the days. Accent – our new catering provider- have had a positive first impression and comments from children are overwhelmingly positive.

One of our staff members- Miss Evans will be completing a **Race for Life** this weekend, in Battersea Park. Many of the children have been interested and we would like to hold a non-school uniform day to show our support for this wonderful charity. **Next Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> May, will**

**be a non-uniform day.** Children are invited to bring small change for this cause. I will update on funds raised next week. Best to luck to Miss Evans this coming Sunday.

As always, please see the dates below for the rest of the academic year. Please note, there was an error in the last newsletter. The **class Promises from our School Auction** will take place on **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June**. Children in Nursery and Reception Classes will finish their evening at 5:30 and should be collected from the main school gates on Lanark Road. Children in years 1 to 5 should be collected from the gates Randolph Gates. Children in year 6 will be dismissed from their usual location on Lanark Road.

With best wishes,

Dr N Viana  
Mr K Bowles

<b>MERITS AND AWARDS</b>		
NAME	MERITS	AWARDS
REC1 Miss Chani	Federico	Madeline
REC2 Miss Diriye	Ava	Arijon
PINK1 Miss (Dorota)Wegrzynowicz	Kieran	Yeva
PINK2 Mr Starbuck & Mrs Morrin	Kylian	Sophia
PINK3 Miss S Ward	Cecilia	Micaela
BLUE1 Miss Donnellan	Charlotte, James	Luke
BLUE3 Miss Armstrong	Sophie	Matias
VIOLET 1 Miss Lawson	-	-
VIOLET 3 Miss A Ward	Matilde	James

#### **ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY**

YEAR GROUP	Percentage Attendance (target >97%)	Late %
RECEPTION 1	97.9%	0.7%
RECEPTION 2	99.3%	0.7%
Y1 PINK 1	98.7%	1.7%
Y1/2 PINK 2	96.7%	4.9%
Y2 PINK 3	96.3%	0.5%
Y3 BLUE 1	94.0%	1.3%
Y4 BLUE 3	96.0%	2.4%
Y5 VIOLET 1	97.8%	0.0%
Y6 VIOLET 3	98.0%	2.0%
Totals	97.2%	1.6%



## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2024**

### **May**

#### **Monday 13<sup>th</sup>**

KS2 SATs week begins  
Blue 1 visiting Forest School am  
Blue 3 visiting Forest School pm

#### **Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>**

Crowning of Our Lady service

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

Pink 3 visiting Forest School pm

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

Y6 Park visit – tbc  
Own Clothes Day

#### **Monday 20<sup>th</sup>**

Year 2 SATs week  
Reception trip to the Transport Museum

#### **Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>**

Y3 & Y4 Visiting Hindu Temple  
Y6 parents PGL meeting @3:30pm Sharp Suite

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

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

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

Astronomy workshops (whole school)

### **HALF TERM**

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> – Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May

### **June**

#### **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Term begins  
Nursery & Reception – library visit

#### **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>**

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

#### **Monday 10<sup>th</sup>**

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

#### **Friday 14<sup>th</sup>**

Y5 visiting Science Museum

Y6 return from Osmington Bay

**Monday 17<sup>th</sup>**

KS1 & Year 3 Dance workshop  
Blue 3 visiting Forest School am  
Blue 1 visiting Forest School pm

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>**

Pink 3 visiting Forest School pm

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup>**

Pink 1 visiting Forest School am  
Pink 2 visiting Forest School pm  
Auction Class promises.

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>**

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

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>**

Nursery Sports Morning 9am – 11am

**Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>**

Sports Day Rec, KS1 & KS2 times tbc

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup>**

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

**July**

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup>**

Y6 Disco  
5pm – 7pm

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup>**

Summer Fair 12- 4pm

**Monday 8<sup>th</sup>**

Pink1 visiting the Royal Mews

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup>**

10am Year 6 Leavers Mass @ Church of Our Lady.

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup>**

Pink 3 visiting Royal Mews

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup>**

Pink 2 visiting Royal Mews

**Monday 15<sup>th</sup>**

Y6 dress rehearsal to rest of school

**Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>**

End of year certificate assembly for Nursery and Reception @10am  
Year 6 Performance to parents @ 5pm

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup>**

End of year certificate assembly Year 1 – 5 @10am

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup>**

Year 6 Leavers Assembly (Y4 & Y5 included)

**School closes at 1:30pm**