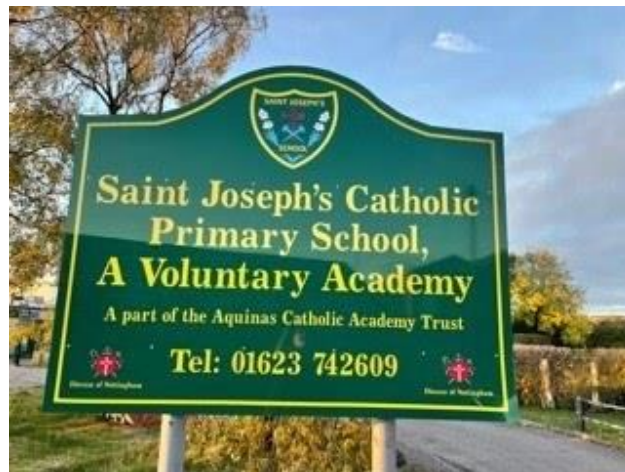


# Friday 7th June

## St. Joseph's Catholic Primary and Nursery School

Trusting in God; Creating Tomorrow; Helping Today

### NEWSLETTER



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## Welcome Back!

We have enjoyed a lovely first week back at St Joseph's. It has been a great start to the final term of this academic year. It has been a busy week with year 6 visiting the EIS on Wednesday and lots of year groups starting their new units.

## Head Pupils



Our Head Pupils have had a very successful week. We were awarded our SILVER Rights Respecting School Award this week. The accreditation process was very thorough but the children did an exceptional job in sharing all the work they have done across school.



## Catholic Life and Mission

This week we have been thinking about how we can care for our common home with our word of the week being environment.

Year 1 led a beautiful celebration of the word for the whole school and year 6 celebrated a Liturgy of the Word in church.

## What have we been up to this week at St Joseph's?

Nursery - The children have learning about 2d shapes and practising how to write their names.

Reception- The children have been exploring volcanoes and creating their own from clay.

Year One- The children have been looking at how we can categorise animals.

Year Two- The children have been planning a recount in English and how to tell the time in maths.

Year Three- The children have been learning about the Roman invasion of Britain.

Year Four- The children have been adding and subtracting fractions in maths this week and completing their multiplication checks.

Year Five- The children have been learning about forces and levers in science.

Year Six- The children enjoyed their launch day for their topic Hola Mexico on Monday.

Wow! What another busy week; well done children!

## Upcoming Dates

A reminder of some of the upcoming dates:

Tuesday 11th June- Parents are invited to come into school and enjoy our OPAL play provision at 1:15pm

Friday 14th June- Year 4 reading cafe

Week of 17th June- Year 6 in Wales for their residential

Monday 24th June- Sports Day (year 4, 5 and 6)

Tuesday 25th June- Sports Day (year 1, 2 and 3)

Tuesday 25th June- Year 5 at All Saints

Wednesday 26th June- Sports Day (EYFS)

Wednesday 26th June- Book Bus in school

Thursday 27th June- Whole School Retreat Day

Friday 28th June- Year 5 Bikeability

## Friends of St Joseph

If you are available to help out in anyway to support your children and St Joseph's then please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Fearn or one of the team...new volunteers are always welcome!

## Breakfast Club



We are delighted to offer our breakfast club to all children from Reception class upwards for £2. If you would like your child to attend, please pre book their place on Arbor. The breakfast club will run from 7:30am.

## Baby and Toddler Groups

It was great to see so many at baby group this week. It certainly is growing! The groups are an opportunity to chat with other parents, play and sing with your baby and have a hot drink. These classes will continue to run **each Wednesday from 9:30- 10:30am in the school hall**. Everyone is welcome!

In addition, we will be hosting Parent and Toddler forest school sessions for over 2s. These will run on:

Thursday 27th June 2:15-3:15pm

Thursday 18th July 2:15-3:15pm

**If anyone has any donations of baby toys or equipment, we would really appreciate your support.**

## OPAL- Outdoor play and learning



**We can't wait to welcome all parents into school next Tuesday 11th June. As it is the International Day of Play, we will be celebrating by inviting our parents to join in our OPAL play. Please make sure that all parents have suitable outdoor clothing and footwear.**

Thank you to the incredible support so far this year with our OPAL provision. We have lots of fantastic equipment for our children to use. We are looking for any handy helpers who may be able to help us build some of our new storage and equipment. If you are able to offer your services, please contact the school office.

A reminder that any donations are gratefully received at the school office.

## Attendance

**Whole school attendance this week is 96.6%**

Reception- 88.3%

Year One - 95.7%

Year Two - 91.1%

Year Three- 88.7%

Year Four- 97.4%

Year Five- 99.6%

Year Six- 95.8%

**Well done to year 5 who have won our attendance award this week and have won Milkshake Monday next week. Well done children!**

**Attendance in school has improved this week and we would like to thank you for your support with this.**

Attending school every day = 100% attendance

Attending 4½ days a week = 90% attendance = **4 weeks missed per year**

Attending 4 days a week = 80% attendance = **more than half a term missed per year.**

Attending 3½ days each week = 70% attendance = **more than a quarter of the school year missed.**

An average attendance of 80% or less across a child's school career adds up to **missing a whole 2 years from school.**

## Children's Achievements



We love celebrating your child's out of school achievements! Please make sure you share these with school so that we can publish them in our newsletter.

## SMILERS

**SMILERS is a whole school approach to wellbeing.**

It is a way of helping children understand that they can make choices to help them feel better mentally and help them stay emotionally strong and well.

We will use the SMILERS formula to help us develop healthy habits for life and to look after our own wellbeing.

This month's focus is **E Eat Well**

## Reading Cafe

It was great to see so many year 3 parents in school today for our reading cafe. We are delighted to be continuing our weekly reading cafes on the following dates:

Year 4- 14th June

Year 6 - 28th June

Year 5- 5th July

## School Facebook Page



A reminder that we have launched our school Facebook page. We have been adding updates of children's work and news for parents onto the page regularly. Please follow us at 'St Joseph's Shirebrook' to keep up to date with our latest class news and school events.

## Word of the Week

Next week, our word of the week is, 'Love and Charity', year 2 have produced a wonderful video to help us to reflect on how we can demonstrate this school virtue in our daily lives.