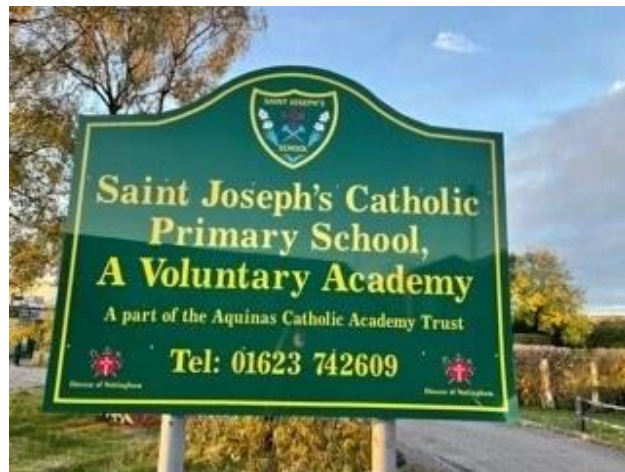


Friday 19th July

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary and Nursery School

Trusting in God; Creating Tomorrow; Helping Today

NEWSLETTER



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This week at St Joseph's...

As we approach the end of the school year, things are still very busy in school. This week, Key Stage Two successfully shared their final performance of their summer play, EYFS had a wonderful trip to Willow Tree Farm, we have had a non uniform day and Summer Fayre.

Next week will be the final week of the school year. It will be the final week for our year 6 pupils and a week to finish off the school year and celebrate our achievements.

Head Pupils



Our Head Pupils short listed the candidates for the Head Pupils 2024-25 and invited them to present to the whole school next week. It will be the final week for our Head Pupils next week and we would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their fantastic contribution to our school community. Well done children!



Catholic Life and Mission

Year Two led a beautiful Celebration of the Word for the whole school on Tuesday. The children across school have also been thinking about how we can be stewards of God's creation and care for our common home.

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

Nursery - The children have been learning about where reptiles live.

Reception- The children have been learning about the lifecycle of a turtle.

Year One- The children have been learning about parts of a plant.

Year Two- The children have been writing an explanation text about Wild Pandas.

Year Three- The children have been using expanded noun phrases in their extended writing.

Year Four- The children have writing a persuasive letter in English.

Year Five- The children have been learning about embedded relative clauses.

Year Six- The children have been finishing their Day of the Dead masks and preparing for their leavers' Mass.

Wow! What a busy week; well done children!

Dates

Upcoming dates at school:

23rd July- Leavers' Mass at 2pm in church.

24th July- Leavers' Assembly at 2:30pm in school.

24th July- After school disco 5pm- 6pm for years 1-6.

25th July- OPAL own clothes day in exchange for a loose part.

26th July- Last day of school year.

Friends of St Joseph

Friends of St Joseph's here!

Looks like our prayers were answered with the gorgeous weather!

Thank you for your support with the pop up shop and we hope you enjoyed the ice lollies.

Hope you enjoyed the summer fayre and had fun! Thank you for your donations and support. As previously mentioned all funds raised will support the school and a whole school treat later in the year!

Next Event: Wednesday 24th July year 6 leavers tea, costs covered by FOSJ. Followed by the leavers disco for years 1-6 from 5pm-6pm.

If you would like to help out with FOSJ please contact Mrs Fearn in the office.

Breakfast Club



We are delighted to offer our breakfast club to all children from Reception to year 6 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.

OPAL- Outdoor play and learning



We will be having an OPAL day on 25th July. The children can come dressed in non uniform in exchange for a loose part. This will mean that we can replenish our OPAL provision ready for us to relaunch in September.

We would like to thank all parents for their support with OPAL this year and we are very excited to continue this next year.

Attendance

Whole school attendance this week is 93.6%

Reception- 95%

Year One - 96.2%

Year Two - 95.5%

Year Three- 94.8%

Year Four- 97.2%

Year Five- 91.5%

Year Six- 92%

Well done to year 4 who have won our final attendance award for this year and have won Milkshake Monday next week.

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 **S SUPPORT**

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

Our final word of the week for the year is, 'Memories', Year 6 have produced a wonderful video to help us to reflect on how we can all live out the amazing year we have had in school.

Kitchen Vacancy

We are looking for a kitchen assistant to work in the school kitchen from September. If you would like to apply, please follow the link.

<https://apply.pineapple-recruitment.co.uk/?j=3431>