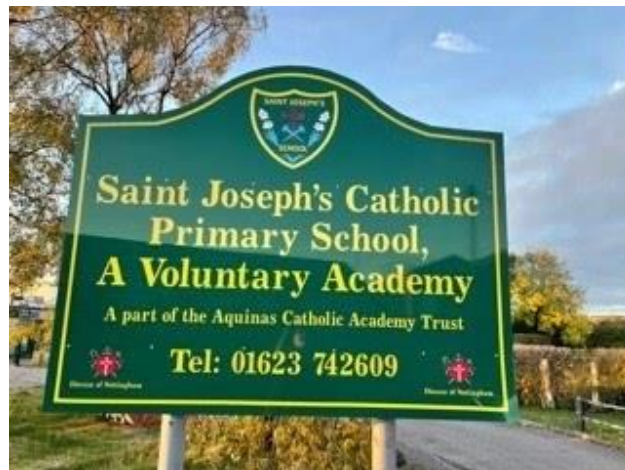


# Friday 26th July

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

Trusting in God; Creating Tomorrow; Helping Today

### NEWSLETTER



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## Happy Summer!

We have come to the end of a very successful and busy year at St Joseph's. As headteacher, I feel immensely proud of the children and staff within the school and I am very grateful for the support of all our families and parish.

This year has been filled with theme days, residentials, school trips, an amazing Ofsted visit, OPAL play, fun, love and laughter. The children have worked exceptionally hard and have achieved great things.

On behalf of the whole staff team, thank you for working with us so well over this year and thank you for the beautiful gifts that have been sent in. It is never expected but always appreciated.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our families a happy summer break. Hopefully the weather will improve and it will be a chance to enjoy some rest and family fun.

Next year, children will return in full uniform. Please note that PE kits will no longer be sent into school but children will be coming into school wearing their kits. Letters will be sent out to all families on the first day in September to inform them which days PE will be on for each class.

We look forward to welcoming you all back when all pupils will return to school on Wednesday 4th September.

## Head Pupils



Our Head Pupils have been incredible this year and we have been very lucky to have such an amazing team driving pupil voice and change in school.

After a whole school vote, we now have a new group of Head Pupils. Next year, Mario, Ciara, Eva, Helena and Faber will be our new Head Pupils. I am looking forward to seeing the amazing things they will do for our school.



## Catholic Life and Mission

This year we have been really thinking about our Catholic Life and Mission in school and what it means to be a Catholic school. When we return in September, we will be doing lots more work on this and will be relaunching our Mission Statement, 'Trusting in God; Creating Tomorrow; Helping Today.

## Friends of St Joseph

Hello

Friends of St Joseph's here. I hope you enjoyed the last week of school. What a busy week it has been! Hope the year 6 children enjoyed the rounders game, disco and pizza tea provided by funds raised by FOSJ. I hope the rest of the children enjoyed the disco, thank you for coming! FOSJ would like to say a massive thank you to all the children, staff and parents for your support with events and funds raised. They will be put to good use for a treat for whole school next year! Thank you to members past and present for all your support and work you have put in. Good luck to the year 6 on their next chapters! To all of the St Joseph's community enjoy your summer with your family and friends and see you in September!

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 that we will continue to offer our breakfast club to all children from Reception class upwards for £2 next year. This will start on Wednesday 4th September. If you would like your child to attend, please pre book their place on Arbor. The breakfast club will run from 7:30am.

## Attendance

**Whole school attendance this week is 88.7 %**

Reception- 91.6 %

Year One - 80.7%

Year Two - 88.7%

Year Three-85.2%

Year Four- 99.3%

Year Five- 91.8%

Year Six-88.2%

**Well done to year 4 who have won our attendance award this 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



Well done to Zachariah in Reception who has received his first belt (purple) in Freestyle Karate.

Excellent work Nathanael in Year 5 who has received his blue belt in Freestyle Karate.

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.

## 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.