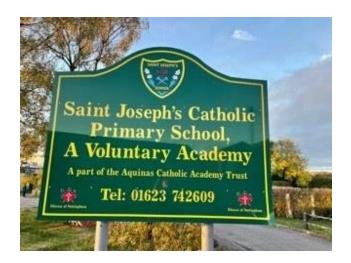
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St. Joseph's Catholic Primary and Nursery School

Trusting in God; Creating Tomorrow; Helping Today

NEWSLETTER



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This week at St Joseph's...

It has been a lovely week at St Joseph's and at last we have enjoyed some sunshine. We have had three very successful sports days, a book bus, an ice cream van, bike ability, a class trip, transition visits to our new classes, a visit from the police to teach us about roles in the service and a visit from a Trust Director. The children have all coped exceptionally well with the heat and have had a busy and successful week!

Head Pupils



Our Head Pupils met with Ann Neale this week, one of the Directors from Our Lady of Lourdes Trust. They did a wonderful job representing the school and sharing all of the things that we do at St Joseph's. It was great to hear them speak so passionately about their role and all they have achieved as Head Pupils this year.



Catholic Life and Mission

Year 4 led a beautiful celebration of the word for the whole school and year 3 celebrated a Liturgy of the Word in church. EYFS did a great job raising funds for their class charity, Willow Tree Farm by selling ice creams. Well done!

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

Nursery - The children have been learning about how we can share God's love through kindness.

Reception- The children have been learning about prehistoric animals.

Year One- The children have been counting in 2s, 5s and 10s.

Year Two- The children have been learning about statistics in maths.

Year Three- The children have been learning about the future tense in English.

Year Four- The children have have been learning about reconciliation and how we can be like Jesus.

Year Five- The children have been learning about the 10 commandments in RE and about The Davy Lamp in history.

Year Six- The children have been busy in rehearsing their end of year production and learning how to stay safe in their DART lessons.

Wow! What another busy week; well done children!

Upcoming Dates

A reminder of some of the upcoming dates: Friday 5th July- Coffee Afternoon Wednesday 10th July- Key Stage Two Production 2pm Thursday 11th July- Key Stage Two Production 6pm Friday 12th July - Awards Assembly Monday 15th July- Key Stage Two Production 2pm Friday 19th July- Summer Fayre Tuesday 23rd July- Leavers' Mass at 2pm Wednesday 24th July- Leavers' Assembly at 2:30pm Wednesday 24th July - After school disco (more information to follow) Friday 26th July- Last day of the school year

Friends of St Joseph

Afternoon everyone. Hope you are all doing well. Friends of St Joseph's are having a coffee afternoon on Friday 5th July at 2.30pm in school hall. Come and join us for a chit chat and cake and coffee! If you would like to donate cakes please leave with school office Friday morning. All funds raised are going towards a full school treat later in the year.

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 lovely to host our baby group again this week. 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! **The last baby group for this term will be on Wednesday 10th July.**

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

OPAL- Outdoor play and learning



We are going to have a non uniform loose part day on Thursday 25th July. All children are invited to come to school in non uniform in exchange for a loose part. This will mean that we can restock our OPAL supplies ready for the children when they return in September.

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

We are seeing an increasing number of holiday request forms handed into school this term. While we are sympathetic to family circumstances and the cost of holidays, a reminder that no holidays will be authorised by school and any absence will be recorded as unauthorised.

Whole school attendance this week is 90.7 %

Reception- 85.7 % Year One - 94.1% Year Two - 82.6% Year Three-90.6 % Year Four- 97.9% Year Five- 97% Year Six-94.5% Well done to year 4 who have won our attendance award this week and have won Milkshake Monday next week. Well done children!

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**

Reading Cafe

Year 6 enjoyed their last reading cafe at St Joseph's this morning. We are coming to the final few weeks of term and have one reading cafe left!

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, 'Pride', reception have produced a wonderful video to help us to reflect on how we can take pride in all that we do.