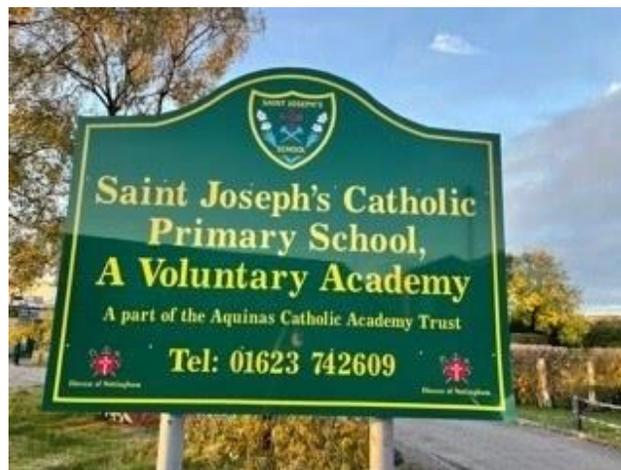


# Friday 24th January

## 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

We have had another wonderful week at St Joseph's school. Two of our Head Pupils represented the school at the Trust Synod, reception have had their second balance bike session, year 5 and 6 worked with STAGS, year 1 and 3 enjoyed forest schools, year 2 had their reading cafe and we launched the Jubilee year! WOW! What a busy week at St Joseph's.

## This weekend in Mass

**Luke 1:1-4,4:14-21**

**'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen'**

This Sunday's Gospel reading reminds us of Jesus began His ministry and fulfilled the words of the Prophet Isaiah

There will be a children's liturgy group at 5pm Mass on Saturday. It would be great to see lots of our families there.

## Head Pupils



Our Head Pupils met with Mrs Seaman this week. They shared their global project of how we can all act in small ways to care for our common home. Two of our Head Pupils also represented the school at the Trust Synod this week.

## Catholic Life and Mission

Another wonderful week for Catholic Life and Mission at St Joseph's. On Tuesday, members of our school community attended the Trust Synod, year 1 led a wonderful Celebration of the word for the whole school and years 5 and 3 led a wonderful celebration in the church this morning.

Today, we have also launched the Jubilee year in school. The theme of the Jubilee is, 'Pilgrims of Hope' so we will be spending time across the year considering what it means to be a pilgrim and how we can all have hope, rooted in a deep faith, for a better tomorrow.

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

The children in Nursery have been exploring shapes this week.

Reception- The children have been recognising the different parts of church that are used for celebrations.

Year One- The children have been writing their own version of Rapunzel and have been looking at place value to 20.

Year Two- The children have been learning about capital cities of the UK and their characteristics.

Year Three- The children have been learning about a and an determiners and about superlative and comparative adjectives.

Year Four- The children have been learning about multiples and arrays in maths.

Year Five- The children have been learning about adding and subtracting fractions.

Year Six- The children have been learning about different parts of the bible.

Wow! What another busy week; well done children!

## Consents in Arbor

Could we please ask you to check you have no outstanding **CONSENTS** in the **NOTICES** section of Arbor for your children. We have added a new consent titled - **Photographs/Videos - for use in Social Media** such as YouTube, Facebook, Instagram, Twitter/X etc for you to either accept or decline.

This would also be a good time to check all your details are correct, in particular any emergency contacts you have provided. If you are unable to amend or add any details to Arbor please email the school office with your information and we will amend it on your behalf.

## Upcoming Dates

We have lots of exciting things coming in school:

28th January- year 2 Liturgy of the Word in church- parents welcome.

30th January- Reception Balance Bike Session- children to come dressed in PE kit.

30th January- year 1 scooter session- children to come dressed in PE kit.

30th January- Year 6 Pilgrimage to St Philip's church- more information to follow.

31st January- year 3 reading cafe- parents welcome.

4th February- year 5 Mass in church- parents welcome.

7th February- NSPCC Numbers Day- children to come in dressed as something 'number' themed- more information to follow.

7th February- year 1 reading cafe- parents welcome.

11th February- Mass to celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes at 9:10am- parents welcome.

12th February- Year 4 visit to Mansfield Town Football club- more information to follow.

13th February- Year 3 Pilgrimage to St Philip's church- more information to follow.

13th February at 2:45pm- Year 5 and 6 Come and See Assembly in the school hall- parents welcome.

14th February- INSET DAY- school closed to all pupils.

## Friends of St Joseph

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 with last entry being at 8:15am.

## Attendance

**Whole school attendance this week is 96%**

Reception- 93.1%

Year One - 96.1%

Year Two - 96%

Year Three-98.5%

Year Four- 97.7%

Year Five- 98.8%

Year Six-92.9%

Well done to year 5 who won our attendance award this week and enjoyed an extra playtime.

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.**

Our Mental Health Ambassadors presented to the whole school this week about S- Stay Connected and M- Move.

## **I-Vengers Safety Tip of the Week**

Don't save passwords to shared devices as someone could log in to your accounts such as Purple Mash and TT Rockstars.

## **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**

After Christmas, our word of the week is, 'Scripture'. Year 3 have produced a wonderful video to help us to reflect on how we can use the Bible to support us to Encounter Christ. The videos have a new format this year and we would love to hear your thoughts about it.