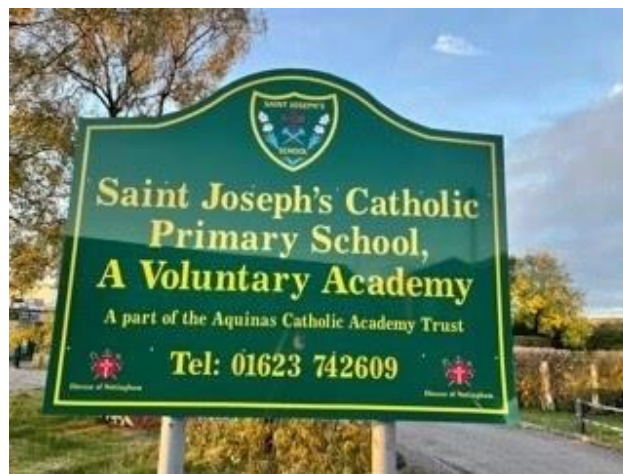


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St. Joseph's Catholic Primary and Nursery School

Trusting in God; Creating Tomorrow; Helping Today

NEWSLETTER



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This week at St Joseph's

We have had another wonderful week at St Joseph's. We had a visit from the NSPCC who worked with years 2, 5 and 6 to look at how they can keep themselves safe, year 3 had a great Reading Cafe, year 6 went on the train to visit St Philip's church and reception had a balance bike session. Another busy week in school!

This weekend in Mass

Luke 2:22-40

My eyes have seen your salvation

This Sunday's Gospel we hear of how Jesus was presented at the Temple.

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.

Catholic Life and Mission

Another wonderful week for Catholic Life and Mission at St Joseph's. On Tuesday, year 2 led a beautiful Liturgy of the Word in church, on Wednesday, Reception class led the whole school in prayer and today, years 1 and 6 led a wonderful Celebration of the word in church.

As part of our Jubilee celebrations, year 6 went on pilgrimage to St Philip's church in Mansfield and met with other schools from our Trust. Other classes will also have the opportunity to go on pilgrimage throughout the Jubilee year.

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

The children in Nursery have been learning about counting to 5 and about their feelings and emotions.

Reception- The children have been recapping on phase 2 tricky words and enjoyed another fantastic balance bike session.

Year One- The children have been learning about transparent and opaque and enjoyed a great Forest School sessions.

Year Two- The children have been learning about how the Parish family greet the Gospel in Mass.

Year Three- The children began their shared writing based on Charlotte's Webb.

Year Four- The children have been learning about non- finite clauses in their English work.

Year Five- The children have been learning about the different Diocese in England and Wales.

Year Six- The children have been learning about evacuation in WWII.

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:

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.

24th February- First day of term- school open 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 96.2%

Reception- 96.6%

Year One - 97.1%

Year Two - 95.7%

Year Three-98.8%

Year Four- 92.9%

Year Five- 98.4%

Year Six- 96.2%

Well done to year 3 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



Well done to Joshua in Reception who is growing in confidence when riding his bike on his own!

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

Never reveal any personal information to strangers online.

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, 'Humility'. Year 5 have produced a wonderful video to help us to reflect and pray. The videos have a new format this year and we would love to hear your thoughts about it.