

St. Joseph's Home-School-Parish Newsletter

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Spring Term Friday 10th February 2017

Dates for your diary

School returns on Monday 20th February 8.50am.

Friday 24th February 7pm Adults only (crèche will be provided) cheese and wine evening to discuss the set-up of a Parents and Teachers Association (PTA). All parents welcome.

Monday 27th February - Y5 trip (letters to follow)

Thursday 2nd March - World Book Day.

Friday 10th March - music concert for all the children learning keyboard and guitar at 9:15am. There will be no Rainbow Assembly, but Coffee Morning will be straight after concert. GSPlus will also be attending to respond to ideas about the school meals.

***Friday 31st March Inset day** - school will be closed. We will be using this day for parent teacher meetings.

Half Term Project - Learn More About St Joseph

Remember to do all your research and fact-finding. There will be prizes for the best! Good Luck Mrs Mouquet

Bishop Patrick will make a formal visitation to our two parishes during the extended weekend of 24th-27th February. He would like a parish meeting during the afternoon of Saturday 25th. There are Baptisms at St Joseph's at 12.30 on that day and a wedding at OLSS at 2.30, so the meeting will be at St Joseph's from 2.00pm. This is your opportunity to put to him anything that you would like to say about the running of either or both of our two churches. Please set this date aside in your diary and make a special effort to be present.

Gospel

Sixth Sunday Ordinary Time A

Jesus said: "Keep God's rules. Put your whole heart into keeping them. You know them, Don't kill - but you must never even hurt someone. Don't take what belongs to others - but you must never even be jealous of what others have."



Pupil Premium

Pupil Premium is funding granted to support the educational experiences of pupils in receipt of Free School Meals. It is extremely important for families who are entitled to Free School Meals to complete the forms and receive the funding for their child. We are happy to help complete the form necessary and post it. A form can be obtained from the office. Many thanks.

Charlton Athletic v Bury
Saturday 25th February
Football for a fiver!
www.cafc.co.uk/tickets



Vacancies at St Joseph's

All vacancies and application forms will be advertised on the school website www.stjosephs.greenwich.sch. At present we have a vacancy for a midday meals supervisor, Premises Manager and EY Practitioner.

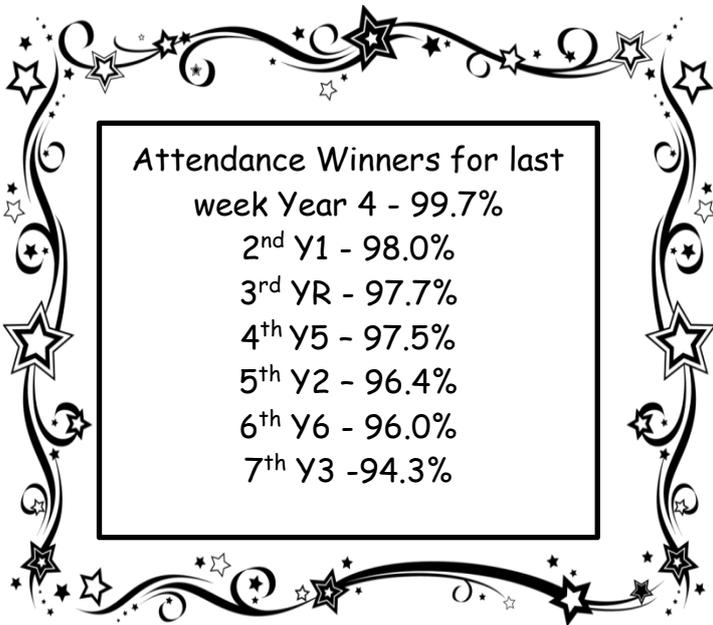
Attendance Matters

At St Joseph's Primary School we believe that good attendance gives children the opportunity of success and helps develop skills for life. We believe it is vital that all children attend school every day unless there is an unavoidable cause like illness.

Please telephone the school on the 1st day that your child is too ill to attend and follow it up with a letter upon your child's return. The school will text if they do not hear from you. If you have a medical or dental appointment sent through to your telephone please email all details to eoregan@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk.

Please also note that if you have a GP appointment or hospital appointment

- In the morning, come in after it
- In the afternoon, come in before it.



Information

- Children can wear track suits for PE in cold weather. We do use the hall where possible but some sports activities require more space than our hall provides.
- Once-a-week take a peek!
Help us keep this problem to a minimum check your child's hair on a weekly basis.

Rainbow bench



10th February 2017

Rec - Gbemi, Nevaeh, Chloe, Bradley

Year 1 - Chidubem, Manu, Calvin, Billy Bobby-Ryan, Emma, Mila, Yesh

Year 2 - On trip

Year 3 - Kaka, Oladimeji, Tasha, Jessica

Year 4- Elona, D'niekay, Leandrew, Winnie

Year 5- Layla, Nathan O, Tilly, Ruby

Year 6- Oskar, Angel, Helena, Sean

WELL DONE!

Happy Birthday Father Kevin 60
Thursday February 16th 2017

Children will be making cards that will be presented after mass on Sunday 19th February.



Don't forget to book your child's place for Activ Kids Camp in the February half-term Monday 13th February - Friday 17th February. www.activkids.co.uk

Parents Internet Safety Workshops

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend the E-Safety Parents workshops that were held on Tuesday 7th February. If you have any concerns or worries regarding your child using their mobile, tablet, iPad or computer please contact the school for support.



Missio Charity Boxes

Thank you for your wonderful support during Advent. We raised £110.00 and a cheque was presented by Sean Year 6 to Representatives from the Popes Charity at a special assembly held on Thursday 9th February. We will be doing more fundraising for them in May with The Day of Many Colours.

CAFOD Collections

During Lent our charity will be CAFOD and we will be raising money and we will be trying to beat the £253.00 raised at Harvest time. We would also like to thank you for your generosity and helping our brothers and sisters who are less fortunate than ourselves.

Tactile Tales at Old Royal Naval College Date: 15 February 2017. Location: Old Royal Naval College Time: 1:15pm - 3:40pm. Cost: Free

Encounter kings, queens, sailors and monsters through song, art and role play.

*Old Royal Naval College,
King William Walk,
Greenwich SE10 9NN*

This is an event for all the family to experience together. Parents and carers are invited to join in and learn with their children.

Would you like a Parents and Teachers Association (PTA) at St Josephs?

What is a Parent Teacher Association (PTA)?

Most schools have a **Parent Teacher Association (PTA)**, which is an organisation of parents and staff. Its role is to encourage closer links between home and school build a community spirit. PTAs are best known for their **fundraising** work, but they have a useful social function too. Fundraising events provide an opportunity for parents, staff and pupils to get together.

How is money raised?

Most PTAs raise money through **events**. At St Joseph's we hold two main fundraising events The Summer Fair in June/July and the Christmas Fair in December. We also include raffles at both fairs and one at Easter. We are always looking for **new fundraising ideas! And need your help!**

How is money spent?

Funds raised by the PTA are intended to provide 'extras' not already provided by the school's main income - often 'fun things' that make learning more interesting and exciting.

Common items include computers, playground equipment and smaller purchases such as presents for Father Christmas to distribute and medals for achievement.

How can I be involved in my PTA?

There are many **different ways** you can help with the PTA, whether you have lots of time to offer or not.

Some of the roles are time-consuming, although also rewarding. If you can't commit to a big job, look out for things you can do less frequently (eg running a stall at the summer fair, baking for a cake sale). And you can always support PTA events by simply **turning up**.

To help organise our PTA we are holding a Cheese & Wine evening adults only (crèche will be provided) on Friday 24th February at 7pm. Forthcoming events to be discussed Easter Disco, Easter bonnet parade. We look forward to hearing your ideas.

Telling Tales - February Half Term at Greenwich Heritage Centre

Date: 14 February 2017

Location: Greenwich Heritage Centre

Time: 10:00am - 1:00pm

Cost: £1.50 per child

Create a puppet theatre and put on a show!

*Greenwich Heritage Centre,
Artillery Square,
Royal Arsenal,
London SE18 6ST*

Activities and materials suitable for those aged 4+ but younger children are welcome to join in with the help of their families. Please note that children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Print yourself a picture at The Woodlands Farm Trust

Date: 15 February 2017

Location: Woodlands Farm

Time: 1:00pm - 3:00pm

Cost: £3 per child

A fun afternoon of designing and printing your own picture.

*The Woodlands Farm Trust
331 Shooters Hill
Kent DA16 3RP*

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Important Information

School uniform is a very important part of the life of St Joseph's. Children who wear the uniform look smart and organised.

- Boys - grey trousers, white polo shirt or collar shirt, school sweatshirt and black shoes.
- Girls - grey skirt or tunic, white polo shirt or collar shirt, school sweatshirt, grey tights and black shoes. Grey trousers can be worn in the winter months. It is important that girls have their hair tied back.
- Jewellery and earrings are not part of St Joseph's school uniform.

P.E. kit should consist of shorts, school P.E. shirt and plimsolls. Pupils can also wear a sweatshirt and jogging bottoms in the winter this is the same for both boys and girls. All P.E kits must be brought to school on Monday mornings and it will be returned on Friday.

If your child has reading glasses they must be sent to school every day.

School Trips

As you know we have been on lots of exciting trips and will be arranging lots more! So far Y6 have been to The Houses of Parliament, Y5 to Kew Gardens, Y4 went to the Diversity Workshop at Charlton Athletic, Y3 visit the Library weekly, Y2 visited The Florence Nightingale Museum, Y1 went to the Heritage Centre and Reception went to The Albany Theatre with Year 1 and Year 2 to see "The Snail and The Whale. Our football team are representing us in schools football league with fixtures taking place until June. Our basketball team took part in a competition at St Paul's Academy.

