

St. Joseph's Home-School-Parish Newsletter

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Spring Term Thursday 31st March 2017

Dates for your diary

Thursday 30th March - break-up for Easter Holiday normal time 3.20pm.

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

Tuesday 18th April - return to school normal time 8.50am.

NO ST JOSEPH'S AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS FOR THE FIRST WEEK BACK AT SCHOOL

Tuesday 18th April - Swimming resumes.

Thursday 20th April - Skipping John Workshops for each class. Please see orange letter in your child's book bag for information.

Friday 21st April - Easter disco 3.30-5.30pm

Sunday 23rd April - London Marathon Day.

Wednesday 26th April - Y3 Wrotham trip (reminder please send in payments).



Gospel

5th Sunday Lent (A)

Jesus says you are some of the best people in the world, but if you aren't at your best what use are you to anyone? No one hides their best things. In the same way try always to show your best self. People who see you at your best will thank God

Please be considerate to our neighbours and do not park across their drives when dropping off and collection of your children. Also do not park on the yellow zig-zag lines outside of the school which are to keep our children safe - even for moment!

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.

Have a Holy and Happy Easter Holiday from Mrs Mouquet and Staff

Easter Egg Hunt
at St Joseph's 2017



To learn together and grow in God's love

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ATTENDANCE MATTERS

365 DAYS IN A YEAR	190 SCHOOL DAYS IN TOTAL	ABSENCE
100% Attendance	190 Days	0
95% Attendance	180 Days	2 Weeks
90% Attendance	171 Days	4 Weeks
85% Attendance	161 Days	6 weeks
80% Attendance	152 Days	More than a half a term
75% Attendance	143 Days	9 + Days



EVERY DAY COUNTS!



Half-Term Soccer School
The Ultimate Half-Term Experience
3rd-7th April and 10th-13th April

Charlton Park 9am-3pm Boys and Girls
Visit [FACEBOOK.COM/ELTHAMTOWN](https://www.facebook.com/elthamtown) or call Matt 07572606778/Kieran 07739477054. £15 per day or £65 for 5 days.

Telephone the school immediately 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/ring if they do not hear from you.

St. Joseph's Primary School Holiday dates for 2016-2017

Break up

Return

Friday 31st March – Parent Consultation day

Easter Summer term
Monday 3rd April

Tuesday 18th April 2017

May Day Bank Holiday
Monday 1st May

Half Term
Friday 26th May

Monday 5th June 2017

Summer Tuesday 18th July 2017

LATENESS

Please make sure that your child arrives in school on time. The school day starts at **8.50am**. It is extremely important that children arrive on time ready to start the school day. When children arrive late this is extremely disruptive to the Class as lessons begin promptly.

EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

Being late also has a big effect on a child's learning and development

Lateness = Loss of learning over the academic year

5 minutes late each day – 3 days lost

10 minutes late each day – 6.5 days lost

15 minutes late each day – 10 days lost

20 minutes late each day – 13 days lost

30 minutes late each day – 19 days lost

The school recognises that there may be times when lateness is unavoidable. This may be due to traffic or severe weather conditions. This will show up in the register as a whole.

On Friday 24th March Year One went to the London Aquarium. We sailed along the River Thames on the Thames Clipper. Rosie-May said the best part of the day was eating lunch sitting beside the shark tank. Year One also saw the Gentoo penguins and were fantastic ambassadors for St Josephs. (Bobby-Ryan and Erisa were turned into a Seahorse and a Penguin)



Attendance Winners

20th - 24th March 2017

Year 2 100%

2nd Y5 – 99.7%

3rd YR – 99.0%

4th Y6 – 98.7%

5th Y4 – 94.3%

6th Y3 – 94.0%

7th Y1 – 91.7%