

# St. Joseph's Home-School-Parish

## Newsletter

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Spring Term  
**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020**



**Children's Mental Health Week** takes place **3<sup>rd</sup> -9<sup>th</sup> February 2020**. Set up by children's mental health charity **Place2Be**, the week shines a spotlight on the importance of children and young people's mental health.

This year's theme is **Find your Brave**. Bravery comes in all shapes and sizes and is different for everyone. Bravery can be about sharing worries and asking for help, trying something new or pushing yourself outside your comfort zone. Finding your brave can build your confidence, self-esteem and make you feel good about yourself

All week, we'll be supporting the children of St Joseph's to focus on the importance of looking after our emotional wellbeing from an early age and raising awareness of children and young people's mental health issues.

For more advice information and downloadable resources to support your children, go to:  
[www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk](http://www.childrensmentalhealthweek.org.uk)

**#Place2Be #ChildrensMentalHealthWeek  
#FindYourBrave**



**CLASS PHOTOS THIS WEEK: Friday 7<sup>th</sup> February**

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> February - Girls Football Match finish at 5.30pm at Meridian sports club.

Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February - Boys Football Match finish at 5.30pm at Meridian sports club.

Break up – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> February

Return to School – Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February



**Gospel**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time A**

The word of the Lord came to me, saying: Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I dedicated you, a prophet to the nations I appointed you.

But do you gird your loins; stand up and tell them all that I command you. Be not crushed on their account, as though I would leave you crushed before them; for it is I this day who have made you a fortified city, a pillar of iron, a wall of brass, against the whole land: against Judah's kings and princes, against its priests and people.

They will fight against you but not prevail over you, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord.

### The Governing Body of St Joseph's

Did you know our school governors are volunteers who help run schools and play an important role in managing, supporting and improving them?

They sit on our school's governing board and work with us to ensure improvement each year by:

- Holding the headteacher to account for a school's performance
- Making sure our budget is spent wisely
- Agreeing the school targets and ensuring they are met
- Taking part in hearings and appeals
- Making sure our school building and outside areas are safe
- Supporting on recruitment



Governors attend meetings during the school year to discuss the school's progress, including Paul Drake, our Chair of Governors. Paul can be contacted at:  
[pdrake@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk](mailto:pdrake@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk)

If you'd like to learn more about our governors, head to our website for more information.

## Twitter

Did you know we have a school Twitter account? Follow us to stay in touch with what we're tweeting about! **@stjos\_greenwich**



## Punctuality

A total of **492** minutes of learning time were lost through lateness last week at St Joseph's .

That equates to over 8 hours in just 5 days!



We are experiencing a large number of families routinely arriving at school after 08.50am and collecting their children later than 3:20pm.

Evidence shows that children who arrive late for school are greatly disadvantaged because they miss starting the day with their peers and the beginning of lessons - this means that they are often unsettled and confused about tasks and their teacher will not always be able to re-explain work.

It is also very important that children establish good routines and habits in preparation for the rest of their lives - punctuality is a life skill that children need to develop whilst they are young.

Understandably, there may be rare occasions when you are unavoidably late due to unforeseen circumstances. On these occasions please make sure that you contact the school office to inform us when you will arrive.

If you are experiencing difficulties with punctuality and would like to talk to us about it, please do speak with Mrs O'Regan in the school office.

## Attendance

This week's attendance totalled 95.5%; a drop from last week

Reception: 89.3%

Year 1: 93.3% Year 2: 96.8%

**Year 3: 99.3%** Year 4: 96.8%

Year 5 97.8% Year 6: 95.5%

**No 100% classes this week – but well done to Year 3 who were so close!**

## Class Mass: Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> Febuary 2020

The next mass will be attended by Year 3 & Year 4.

11am service. All welcome!



Regular, independent use of Times Tables Rocks Stars forms part of your child's weekly Maths homework - each child at St Joseph's has an account. Do speak to your child's teacher if you need a reminder of log-in details!

## Rainbow

Award Winners  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020

Rec: Chiagozie, Kaiden, Elsie & Harper-Re

Year 1: Theo, Freda, Adam & Belle

Year 2: Grace, Jaiden, Kathleen & Amarachi

Year 3: Bryan, Neveah, Munachimso & Keyan

Year 4: Daejhenae, Chidubem C, Mia & Shajeevan

Year 5: Emma, Janaiyah, Demi-Rose & Jeziyah

Year 6: Oladimeji, Nikita, Amanda & Jessica

**Well done to you all!**

## **Happy Birthday To You!**



27<sup>th</sup> January - 2<sup>nd</sup> February

**Maison (R)**

**Ethan (3)**

**Yolanda (1)**

*To learn together and grow in God's love*