

**Dear Parents and Carers,
Will Tidball – gold medallist**

We were absolutely delighted to welcome back our former pupil, Will Tidball, today. Will won gold in the men's scratch race at the Cycling World Championships in Glasgow in August. Will brought his medal and cycling jersey to show the children and answered lots of questions ranging from "When did you start cycling?" to "Were you ever St Joseph's star of the week?"! Will was a real inspiration to the children - "follow your dreams and you can achieve anything". We wish Will every success going forward including in next year's Olympic Games. A reminder of Will's outstanding race to the finish! <https://www.bbc.co.uk/sport/av/cycling/66401544>



Proactive parenting

Proactive parenting is offering sessions again and they are free. They look great!

We understand that parenting in the modern world can be challenging at times and we know that positive parent well-being is vital for children to thrive. Proactive parenting is offering the opportunity to come together to discuss the topics whilst enjoying a tea or coffee. If you would like to sign up for a group or individual session, please contact admin@stjo.uk ASAP.

If you feel you need individual support, please contact Mrs Monks sen@stjo.uk

Class assemblies

We are pleased to be sharing with you that we will be inviting parents into school to share the children's learning. We have three planned class assemblies for this Autumn term and the dates are in the diary below.

Message from the GIFT Team

This week, Key Stage 2 joined schools across the diocese for a Worship on Zoom. Our GIFT team read and lead the reflection. We had a message to say thank you to the children for contributing so beautifully on Monday - the reading was very confident and impressive.

Again, the GIFT Team represented the school brilliantly!

This week, we have been interviewing for a few members to join our GIFT Team. Miss Rowe was so impressed with all the letters that she received and the enthusiasm from the children towards joining. We interviewed yesterday. The children were excellent and we are so proud of how they conducted themselves in the interviews. Miss Rowe will inform the new members shortly.

Gospel Value — Forgiveness

In this week's Gospel reading, Peter asked Jesus how many times we should forgive someone who sins against us. Jesus says not seven times but seventy-seven times - in other words, no matter how many times somebody hurts us, we need to forgive them! Peter's question helps us to understand that daily choices to forgive others are needed.



This Year's academic Attendance

Our aspiration target is **97%**

At St Joseph's, we think attendance is extremely important! Attending school helps children to prepare themselves for the rest of their lives. The higher the attendance, the more opportunity for success!

This week - the class with the highest attendance is Beech class 100%

Have a lovely weekend!

Mrs Stephens

Diary dates:

W/b 16th October Parent consultations

11th October Year 4 class assembly 3pm

8th November Year 6 class assembly 3pm

10th November Careers afternoon

22nd November Year 5 class assembly 3pm

Headteacher Awards: Sycamore class – Arnie; Maple class – Harry, Oto

Stars of the week: Oak class - Willow; Rowan class – Albie; Sycamore class – Arnie; Cherry class – Liam; Maple class – Oto; Willow Class – Gabriel, Beech class – William