

**Dear Parents and Carers,**

I cannot believe that this academic year is almost coming to an end. I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for all your support that you have continued to give to St Joseph's. On behalf of the staff at St Joseph's, we would like to give a huge thank you to our PTA who work effortlessly behind the scenes raising money for our children – thank you!

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank our dedicated staff at St Joseph's who are amazing, selfless and always committed and dedicated to ensuring that your children thrive and have the best education – thank you!

**Year 6**

Wow, what an emotional week it has been for our Year 6 children and their parents. We have celebrated them through our Leavers Mass at the church, as well as in school. We wish them every success on the next steps of their journey.

**Celebration Assembly**

We celebrated the children's achievements this morning with the parents whose child had been awarded a medal for maths, reading, writing, effort and sports. The children were unaware that they were receiving an award or what the award was for until the class teachers called their names. The children were so proud and it was well deserved!

**Sports day**

We absolutely loved sports day and were thankful that the sun was shining for us and it went ahead. The turn out and encouragement from the parents was brilliant. I would like to thank Mrs Gates for all her hard work behind the scenes organising the races with Mr Keast who also deserves a special mention – thank you!

**PE uniform**

It has come to my attention that children are coming into school (on their PE days) in the incorrect PE uniform. In September, can you please ensure that your child/ren wear the correct PE kits on their PE days - green t-shirt with school logo, black shorts, black or navy jogging bottoms and trainers.

**Spanish After School Club**

This will be continuing in September from the 11<sup>th</sup> for KS1 and KS2. Please keep a look out for the information.

**Gospel Value — Kindness**

As we prepare to say goodbye to our Year 6's, we have been reflecting on the kindness that they have shown to the rest of the school and how they are our role models. Their buddies in Reception have been remembering how the Year 6's showed them kindness when they first joined the school.

I hope you all have a wonderful summer.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Best wishes.

Mrs Stephens

**This Year's academic Attendance**

A big 'well done' to Beech Year 6 class achieving **97.5%**

Year R 93.9%

Year 1 92.3%

Year 2 95.2%

Year 4 96.4%

Year 5 **97.1%**

Our aspiration target is **97%**

St Joseph's overall attendance for this year was **95.2%**

**Diary dates:**

**4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> September – Inset Days**

**6<sup>th</sup> September – Children return to school**

**Headteacher Awards:**

**Rainbow Awards:** Cherry class – Poppy, Jessi, Evie.

**Platinum Awards:** Rowan class – Remy, Felicia, Rueben, Dominic, Finley, Jaime, Laicee. Sycamore class – Catriona. Cherry class – Emily, Douglas.

**Gold Awards:** Oaks class – Sofia, Joseph, Sienna, Albie, Albert, Aredhel, Bea, Darcey, Mya, Sophie. Sycamore class – Poppy.

Cherry class – Oto, Gene, Connor, Roman, Chloe, Freddie, Thea, Rory, Evan, Eden. Beech class – Amelie, Lydia, Rosie.

**Silver Awards:** Sycamore class – Eleanor, Alfie; Cherry class – Jensen, Isabelle, Harry; Beech class – Finlay.

**Bronze Awards:** Beech class – Owen, James.

**Congratulations to our students who received Stars of the Year medals for reading, writing, maths, sport and effort. Well done!**