St Joseph's Catholic Primary School



Newsletter



Friday 24th September 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have been busy in school this week. Rowan Class have been following instructions to make 'disgusting sandwiches' outside made of mud followed by making 'yummy sandwiches' made of jam!

Cherry Class had a great time in Forest School making purple pancakes! Maple Class have started their class topic of magnificent materials. They have been investigating properties of materials and sorting them into groups. They have also written some fantastic poetry about the Iron Man.

In Beech Class their topic is Story of Life. They have had fun looking at Mr Men and Little Misses as part of their learning about inherited characteristics.

Beech and Oak Class also had a lovely time pairing up into buddies and spending some time getting to know each other.

After School Club

This is just a reminder that After School Club has two sessions - Mon-Thurs 3.30-4.30pm and the late session which runs until 5.45pm. On a Friday After School Club finishes at 4.30pm.

Any parents arriving after 4.30pm who have booked just for the early session will be charged a late session fee (£9.00) - or on a Friday will be charged an additional late collection fee (£5.00 – rising to £10 if collection after 4.45pm).

Parents evening – week beginning 4th October

Letters will be coming home for parents evening. Due to Devon still being an enhanced area these will be on zoom but we anticipate that next time they will be in school. If you cannot make the time allotted please let the teacher know as soon as possible. Year 3 parents' evenings will be scheduled for just after half term.

Census day 7th October

Our Autumn census day is 7th October. The more children in reception, year 1 and year 2 who receive a hot meal that day the more money we receive as a school for the year. If you have reception or KS1 children, school dinners are free every day and it would be great if you could encourage your child to have one on 7th October. Maybe it could be a good time to try one if they don't usually. Many thanks.

Workshop for parents with SEND children

Dias are running an online workshop to support parents in 'Listening to your child's views'.

Dias have said - Helping your child to express themselves and tell you how they feel about life at school (and life in general) is important. It helps to make sure they get support that's going to work for them. The most effective support for children and young people with SEND (Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) happens when their aspirations are linked to their needs, and then to outcomes and support (provision). This short session aims to signpost and highlight pathways for supporting SEND children and their families to ensure the aspirations, needs and hoped for outcomes of their child and young person are being heard and used effectively. This is a two-hour free online session run by DIAS with the opportunity for questions at the end. Monday 18th October 10.30-12.30 Tuesday 16th November 10.30-12.30. To book a place go to Eventbrite: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/listening-to-yourchilds-views-tickets-154265433063

Thank you for your continued support

Best wishes

Mrs Taylor-Bashford

Diary dates:

Friday 24^{th} October and every Friday thereafter until 3^{rd} December – Swimming. Letters have been sent out.

Friday October 1st – Sponsored bounce.

Friday October 15th – Author visit FSU – Yr 6

Thursday October 21st – School disco

Friday 12th November – Theatre production for KS1

Wednesday 8th December 2.30pm and 6.00pm – KS1 Nativity

Headteacher Awards: Rowan Class - Joseph

Stars of the week: Oak Class - Aria, Rowan Class - Aurelia, Sycamore Class – Jack, Cherry Class - Melissa, Maple Class - Max, Beech Class – Joshua.