

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all had a lovely Easter. The children have come back rested and ready for the term ahead. Learning on new topics is already in full swing. FSU topic is Ready, Steady, Change, Year 1 is Fire, Fire!, Year 2 is Time Traveller, Year 3 is All wrapped up!, Year 4/5 is Blast Off! and Year 6 is A Road trip USA – continued.

I have seen some great work this week on hieroglyphics and I have been led through Pudding Lane!

Year 2 had a great first Forest School session, finding different colours in the environment and matching them to a colour wheel.

#### **Congratulations**

Congratulations to Mrs Spinks who had a beautiful baby girl in the Easter holidays. We are really pleased that Mum and baby are doing well.

Congratulations also to Miss Atkins who got married, becoming Mrs Parkes-Barton over the holidays.

#### **Goodbye**

Sadly, today we say goodbye to Mrs Nelmes. We thank her for her work at St Joseph's and wish her the very best.

#### **Queens's Jubilee celebrations**

We will be celebrating the Queen's Jubilee the week before half term. The children will take part in activities over the week including an art project creating portraits of the Queen. On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May we will be having a special Jubilee day. We are asking that children come in wearing Red, White and Blue and bring a party packed lunch which we plan to eat together outdoors. We can order a packed lunch for KS1 and pupil premium children if required.

We are also going to have a special Jubilee 'St Joseph's Bake off' cake competition and cake sale on the Thursday. For this we are asking people to bake and send in cakes which will be judged by 'The Queen' and there will be a prize for the winner. All cakes will then be for sale in the hall where there will also be an 'art gallery' display of the children's portraits of the Queen they will have completed over the week.

#### **First Aid ice packs**

We have found that lots of our ice packs for bumped heads have gone missing. Please can you check at home and if your child has been sent home with one please return it asap. Many thanks.

#### **Shelterbox**

Many thanks to everyone who donated to the Shelterbox appeal for the Ukraine and to Mrs Hallett for organising it. It raised a super £122.56.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Best wishes

Mrs Taylor-Bashford

#### **Diary dates:**

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2.45pm – Year 2 parent SATs talk in school

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Parent coffee morning

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May – FSU Church visit

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May – Cherry Class start swimming lessons

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> May – Year 6 SATs

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May – Phonics screen talk for Year 1 parents

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Fire Service visit - Years 2,3,5,6

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May – Sponsored bounce

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Jubilee day

**Headteacher's Award:** Oak Class – Ava, Cherry Class - Bea

**Gold Awards:** Rowan Class – Issy, Cherry Class – Louie, Maple Class - Lydia

**Silver Awards:** Cherry Class – Barney, Shiloh

**Stars of the Week:** Oak Class – Felicia, Rowan Class – Adam, Sycamore Class – Olivia, Cherry Class – Shiloh, Maple Class – William, Beech Class – Jessy