

Dear Parents and Carers,

Warm Welcome

Welcome to our new students, and their families, who have joined our school family this half term!

Careers Day

It is time again for our next termly Careers day. The children love these sessions and are looking forward to our next one on Friday 22nd March. As you are aware, we continue to raise the aspirations for all our children and one way of achieving this is through termly careers days that we have at the school. We would love to hear about your profession and would love for you to come into school to talk to our children about your job and how it links to our curriculum. Can you let the office know if you are available to give your valuable time to support us on that date? I thank you in advance for your time and dedication for our children at Joseph's.

CAFOD Workshops

Year 5, Foundation, Year 1 and Year 2 all have CAFOD workshops this week, looking at the Catholic Principles of Teaching. The other year groups had it last week!

Year 2 Assembly

It is Year 2's turn to share their learning with parents on Wednesday 6th March. It will be lovely to see you all.

Year 6 London Residential

The Year 6 pupils are having an amazing time in London this week. We are looking forward to hearing all about their adventure on Monday.

World Book Day

Just a reminder Thursday 7th March is World Book Day. We would like the children to dress up as a favourite character from a book.

If you have any costumes that no longer fit your child/ren, could you please donate them to school. We will be holding a pre-loved costume sale before next year's World Book Day, to raise money for the library.

Bags2School

We raised £80 for the PTA. Thank you to everyone who bought in their old and unwanted items.

Old newspapers and Magazines

We are asking for donations of any newspapers and magazines that you no longer have use for. Please bring them in to reception. Many thanks in advance.

Tesco In--Store Vote

We are delighted to let you know that our application to Tesco Stronger Starts has been successful and our project, Breakfast Club, will be put forward to a customer vote in Tesco stores. Voting will commence in store from the first week in April 2024 until the end of June 2024. We want to ensure that all our children begin their day with a healthy breakfast in an environment where they feel safe and valued whilst having fun within our breakfast club.

Gospel Value: Compassion

This week's Gospel is a beautiful one to read and reflect on during Lent. In it we see Peter, James and John experience something incredible, which deepens their understanding of who Jesus really is, showing how compassionate he is. How can you show compassion to others?

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Stephens

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!

The class with the highest attendance this week was **Willow Class**

Diary dates:

Wednesday 6th March – Year 2 Assembly @3pm

Friday 15th March – Year 2 and Year 4 Eden Project Trip

Friday 22nd March – Careers Day

Friday 28th March – Break up for Easter Holiday

Thursday 7th March - World Book Day

Friday 15th March - Red Nose Day

Monday 15th April – Children return to school

Reading Awards: Oak Class – 150 - Michael, Sienna, Gracie, Cosette, Edie. 125 - Isaac, Evie, Willow. 100 - Alyssia, Sophia.

Rowan Class – 125 – Bea, Joseph. 100 - Sofia.

Bronze Awards: Rowan Class – Laicee-May.

Silver Awards: Rowan Class – Sophie, Bea, Mya, Darcey. Cherry Class – Arlo. Willow Class – Louie, Jonah, Lusi, Amelia, Bea, Hollie.

Gold Awards: Rowan Class – Teddy. Sycamore Class – Samuel, Remy. Willow Class – Kelly.

Platinum Award: Willow Class - Shiloh

Star of the Week: Oak Class – Cosette. Rowan Class - Bea; Sycamore Class – Zara. Cherry Class – Joe. Maple Class – Evelyn.

Willow Class – Chloe.