

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Head Teacher's Newsletter



Friday 27th September 2024

Dear Parent's and Carers,

This week we have been thinking about Integrity, one of our Gospel Values. Inspired by Matthew 11v12, we have been thinking about what it means when Jesus encourages us to do to others as we would like them to do to us. Obviously it is hard to do this, if we don't first have love and compassion for ourselves too. It has been lovely to see our classes considering their own value and the value of others this week.

Amazing Art!

Year 2 have been focusing on their ability to tell a story through drawing. They have been practising creating texture and observational skills, enhancing their mark-making techniques. We would love to celebrate Bea's observational drawing of a soft toy. She has used scribbling to create texture. Bea, you have produced a fantastic drawing - well done.



Art Challenge:

In assembly Bea's picture inspired us to set a weekend challenge. For the children that would like to, the challenge is to draw their favourite book or film character. I will be on the gate on Monday morning and would love to see them then!

Mass – The Holy Ghost Church

We would like to invite all Parents/Carers, years 2 to 6, to Mass at 2:00pm on Friday 4th October for Harvest. <u>We would appreciate any parent helpers</u> to help walk the children to and from Church. Please can you let reception know if you are available to help. Parents who would like their younger children to join us, are welcome to come to school and collect them at 1.40pm from class and bring them to the church. Please let the class teacher know in advance. Miss Robertson will be doing a Mass, in school, for the children in FSU and year 1 in the morning. Pupils only.

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Disco, Friday 18 October 5-6pm FSU and KS1, 6.15-7.15pm KS2. This is now live on ParentPay, and an information email was sent out yesterday. Can you help with set up, tuck shop, or tidy up? Please get in touch pta@stjo.uk

Equality is treating everybody the same.

Equality aims to promote fairness, but it can only work if everyone starts from the same place and needs the same help.

Equity is giving everyone what they need to achieve success. At St Joseph's we advocate for each child to receive the resources, experiences, appropriate interventions and support to be the best they can be.



This Year's academic Attendance

Our aspiration target is 97%

We are currently at 96.35% We would like to thank you all for your help and support reaching our target.

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 is **Beech** Class.

Diary dates: These, and future events, can also be found on the website

1st October – Black History Month begins

4th October – Harvest Festival – details above

7th October Dogs Trust coming to school – details to follow

21st October - Parents Evening Week- details to follow

25th October – PTA AGM – details to follow

26th October – 4th November Half-term

- 3rd October School Census day details to follow 7th October NSPCC Kindness Week begins 18th October – Disco – details sent out, live on PP
- 23^{rd} October Yr 6 Assembly details to follow
- 25 October 11 0 Assembly details to follow

6th November – Photo's – Individual and Family

Stars of the week: Oak – Arlo P, Rowan – Guy, Sycamore – Halle, Cherry – Aaron, Maple –Gabriel, Willow – Poppy, Beech – Brooke.