

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you all had a lovely bank holiday weekend. We are pleased the sun is finally shining.

Monday 13th to Thursday 16th May – year 6 SAT's

Year 6 have been working hard towards their SAT's. Next week they will be coming into school and enjoying breakfast with their class mates. After the SAT's Beech class will be going bowling, accompanied by Miss Thompson, Mrs Jukes and Mrs Waite, on Friday 17th May. A letter and permission slip has already gone out to parents. If you would like another letter please contact reception.

Phonics Check Talk

On Thursday 23rd May at 3.00, Mrs Robertson will be welcoming Year 1 parents to come in for an information session about the upcoming Phonics Screening Check happening after half term.

Trauma in Schools

I am pleased to say that after 11 days of intense training, with a full assessment day last Thursday, I successfully passed my diploma. I am now a Trauma Enforced Practitioner.

PTA

As you may have seen, the committee for the PTA at St Jo's has changed, with Hannah Burford, Sarah Ward, Katy DeLooze and Freya Priestner stepping back after many years. I'm Emma Kay, the new PTA Chair, and I'm really excited to be part of the new committee and continue to build a great community for our school. It's going to be great fun with Brenda Xuereb and Jenna Binding on the committee, and Kez Hall and Louise Mullans taking on roles to support too. We're just getting ourselves up to speed, so thanks for bearing with us while we get started. If anyone wants to share ideas or can spare some time to help, we'd love to hear from you, either in the playground or email pta@stjo.uk. In the meantime, some dates for your diary...

Friday 10th May, 3.30-4pm - second hand uniform sale

Thursday 6th June, 7.30pm - PTA meeting at Ocean, summer fair focus

Friday 5th July - summer fair (details to follow)

Thursday 11th July, 7.30pm - PTA meeting at Ocean, ideas for next year

Safeguarding

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and we want to make sure your children are safe when using their devices at home. Please help your children to stay safe online, please make sure you are aware of what your children are watching/doing whilst online. The Online Newsletter can be found on our website.

Sports Club

After half term, the Sports clubs that we have been running on Tuesday's and Thursday's will be charged through Primary Sports Education. I will let you have more information regarding payments nearer the time.

Tesco Stronger Starts and our School Breakfast Club

Please don't forget to vote for St Joseph's when shopping at Tesco stores in Exmouth. Voting continues until the end of June.

Gospel Value: Integrity

'So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you' Matthew 7:12

Have a peaceful and restful 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 **Sycamore Class**

Diary dates:

Monday 13th to Thursday 16th May – year 6 SAT's

Friday 10th May - Second hand uniform sale 3.30-4pm – PTA

Friday 24th May – Break up for half-term

Thursday 13th June – Sports Day (morning) – Staff & Children

Monday 17th June – Yr. 1 Powderham Castle, live on ParentPay

Thursday 23rd May – Phonics Check Talk @ 3pm

Tuesday 4th June – Children return to school

Tuesday 18th June – Sports Day (afternoon) – Parents welcome

Friday 5th July – Yr.4 Lyme Regis, live on ParentPay

Headteachers Awards: Rowan – **Mya, Leo.**

Reading Awards: Oak – 200 – **Willow.**

Bronze Awards: Cherry – **Brandon.**

Silver Awards: Oak – **Luca, Cosette, Dexter, Finlay.** Cherry – **Eleanor, Louie.** Maple – **Isla, Oto.** Willow – **Gabe.**
Beech – **Finlay, William.**

Gold Awards: Rowan – **Leo.** Willow – **Sukie, Demi.**

Stars of the Week: Oak – **Willow.** Rowan – **Sofia.** Sycamore – **Art.**

Cherry – **Lily.** Maple – **Douglas.** Willow – **Bea.** Beech – **Harry.**