

St Joseph's Newsletter

07/07/2023



As ever we have had a very busy week, two classes have been on trips – Year 3 to Ordsall Hall and Year 5 to the Water Sports Centre. A good time was had by everyone, and as ever the children were a credit to all. Well done children.

Sacramental Programme – if your child will be in Year 3 or above from September and you would like to enrol them for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion, please contact the school office for information. Letters have already been sent out to Year 2 parents.

SALE! We will be selling the last of the bedding on Tuesday after school. All items £2.

School uniform – we have a lot of school uniform that is good quality, clean and looking for a home. If you need any uniform for September, we will have this out for you to take on Tuesday after school in the main playground.

Please look at the dates at the end of the newsletter for end of term activities.



At the beginning of the week our whole school assembly was a reflection of how we welcome others, just as we welcome Jesus. The Gospel reading was Matthew 10:37-42. We are lucky to have children from all over the world, they greeted everyone in their home language. How can we make everyone feel welcome in our school?

★ Work of the Week ★

Year 1	Jose	Year 2		Reception	Keon
Year 4	Whole Class	Year 5	Lamek	Year 3	Joseph
				Year 6	Whole Class

What Has Been Happening In Class This Week

Nursery

Nursery have been very busy practising writing their cvc words. We chose a picture, sounded it out, and wrote it on our interactive whiteboard.



Reception

Reception are enjoying the fruits (and vegetables) of their hard work. The children planted some seeds in the early Spring and now all the fruit and vegetables are ready to eat thanks to all their hard work, remembering to water them and pull the weeds out. They have loved the strawberries, raspberries, peas and mangetout. We are going to cook our broad beans and courgettes to see if we like those as much as the rest. The sweetcorn is getting very big, it is taller than some of the children now. We also have some wild flowers which we planted to celebrate the coronation of King Charles which are just starting to flower. This week we have seen poppies and cornflowers coming out.



Year 1

This week has been a fun week in Year 1! We have been reading a new story and have loved describing the adventures the characters have gone on. We even got to draw our own island huts. It was interesting to talk about the different items that we would bring with us on an adventure. What would you bring with you? We have really enjoyed music this week, it is so much fun learning new songs. In Religion we had a very interesting lesson looking at Hinduism and we enjoyed learning about Ganesha.

Happy Birthday to....

Samuel

Dylan

Josephine

Zaid

Victoria

Ethan

Lucy-May

Reevah-Mae

Sonny

This Week's School Attendance

Nursery	94%	Reception	83.7%
Year 1	92.1%	Year 2	93.1%
Year 3	92.1%	Year 4	98.3%
Year 5	93.1%	Year 6	98.1%
School	93.1%		

Year 2

Year 2 have had another great week. They enjoyed our maths lessons on capacity and had a great time learning about different volumes when we took our learning outside. They ordered capacity, measured volume and compared volume using greater than, less than and equal to signs. In English we have continued reading the BFG and we are creating plans for Sophie to visit Buckingham Palace and stop the nasty giants. In History we have started our topic of Explorers and we have



looked at Ibn Battuta and Matthew Henson and their achievements.

Year 3

It has been an exciting week for Year 3. The children shared a wonderful Tudor experience at Ordsall Hall. They dressed in Tudor clothes; worked in a Tudor kitchen; attended a Tudor banquet; learnt a Tudor dance and much more. This visit allowed them to see actual artefacts and also use their imaginations to explore this fascinating period in history. They found out how different life was for the rich and poor in Tudor times, back at school they shared and recorded all they had learnt with real knowledge and enthusiasm. The teachers were impressed with the children at their swimming lesson this week with the quality of their safety and swimming skills. The progress they have made is remarkable. In our prayers this week we have asked God to help us all grow in faith, hope and love.



Year 4

Year 4 has had another amazing week. In English, we finished our class reader, the Suitcase Kid and all of the children completed the Accelerated Reader quiz. We then wrote book reviews about the story. They all enjoyed listening to the story and we had some really deep and meaningful conversations all about it. In maths, we have been looking at coordinates and translating shapes on a grid. This can sometimes be tricky but all of the children rose to the challenge. I am so pleased with everyone's effort at home. They are all making the most of all the computer programmes we have to help with understanding.

Year 5

We began to dive into a new text this week, David Longs 'Survivors'. The children made some fantastic predictions about this book of thrilling, true survival stories.

On Tuesday, we went on our Water Sports trip. The children had so much fun kayaking and paddle boarding. Lots of laughs, new skills learnt and support given to each other.

In our Science lesson, we continued our learning about living things, exploring the life cycle of various mammals.



Year 6

It's been a busy week of practise for Mary Poppins! The show is next week and we can't wait to show everyone what we have been working on! The children have been working really hard with the staging and direction and it has been wonderful to see it all come together.

In PE this week we enjoyed a game of rounders in the sunshine and practised our throwing and catching skills.

We've continued reading our class book, Wonder. The class are really enjoying the story and we're almost at the end! Everyone is very excited to find out what happens to August and his friends.

Dates to Remember

Monday 10th July	9.15am – A Time To Rest Assembly Lledr Hall and High School Meeting with Y5 Parents / Carers - Hall at 3pm
Tuesday 11th July	All Hallows Intake Evening Year 6
Wednesday 12th July	AM – Transition Year 5 – All Hallows Bill Hayhurst Football Final – Holy Family
Thursday 13th July	Mary Poppins Summer Production at 6pm
Friday 14th July	10am –Leavers Mass in School
Monday 17th July	9.15am Assembly Ancient Greek Day – Year 5
Wednesday 19th July	Y4 production
Thursday 20th July	2pm - Year 6 Leavers Assembly followed by party
Friday 21st July	School Closes at 2.30pm