

St Joseph's Newsletter

15/09/2022

Year 6, High School – please remember that you are now able to apply for high school places for September 2024. If you need any help, please contact school.

All Hallows are holding an open evening on Thursday 5th October, 6pm-8pm. Prior to this, there will also be an assembly for parents of children in Years 5 and 6 on Wednesday 20th September, 9:15am in our school hall, led by All Hallows.

Earrings – please be reminded that children should not be wearing earrings for school. Hoop earrings are especially dangerous as they can get caught and rip the ear lobe. If your child has just had their ears pierced please make sure that they have stud earrings for the time that they are healing.

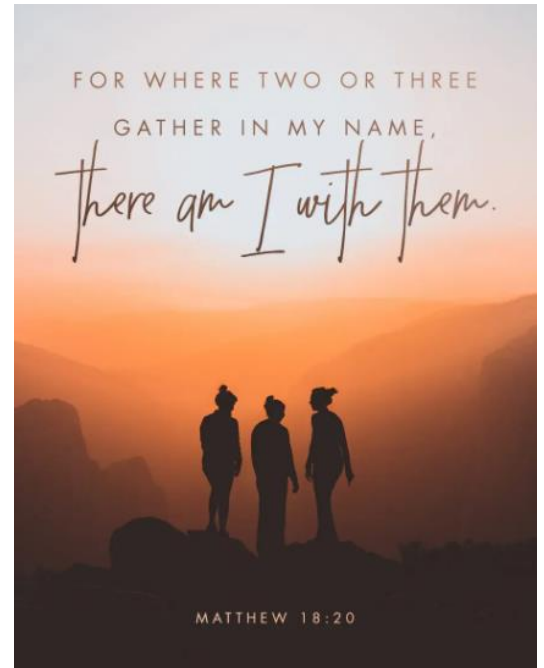
Mission and Vision Week – from Monday during each afternoon, all of the children will be spending time exploring our school mission statement –

*I came so that you may have life
and have it to the full.*

John 10:10

and reflecting on our driver words – Faith, Respect, Confidence, Resilience, Empathy – what do these words mean, how do we live them in our daily lives at St. Joseph's and outside school, where do we see examples of these in the Bible?

At the end of the week on Friday morning, there will be an opportunity for you to join your children's' class for Prayer and Liturgy.



Education Sunday was celebrated on 10th September, one of the oldest 'Days of Special Prayer' in the church calendar. Our school is part of the mission of the Church, as children learn, they grow in mind, body and spirit. Jesus is always with them as their role model.

Year Group	Hall Time
Year 4	9 - 9.30
Year 6	9.35 – 10.05
Year 3	10.10 - 10.40

Year Group	Hall Time
Year 2	10.45 – 11.15
Year 5	11.15 – 11.45
Year 1 in their classroom	9.15 – 9.45

Parent Governor – we have a vacancy for a parent governor. If you would be interested in finding out more about this role, please let me know.

Lunchtime Organiser - we have a vacancy for a lunchtime organiser to supervise and play with the children from 12 -1pm daily, term time only. Please ask at the office if you are interested in this role.

What Has Been Happening In Class This Week?

Nursery

Nursery have had the best week. The children have settled into their new class amazingly. They have made lots of new friends and love playing with their new toys. They celebrated Mary's birthday by



having a tea party, eating cake and signing her happy birthday. Nursery also made amazing crowns for the statue and painted and drew pictures of Mary.

Reception

Just like that Reception have completed their first full week. We have had a wonderful week meeting new people and settling into our new classroom. We celebrated Holy Mary's birthday, by making her special crowns and



necklaces, drawing her picture, and painting stained glass windows. We finished the celebration by singing happy birthday and enjoying some cake.

Year 1

Year 1 have been working really hard settling into a very new routine. We have been sitting wonderfully at the tables working hard. In Maths, we are counting objects and sorting them into groups. In Geography we have been learning about where we live. In English we have been reading the Colour Monster, a story about a monster who has their emotions all mixed up. We have been writing some fantastic descriptions of this monster and their journey. In RE we have been talking about our families and how special they make us feel. Thank you for all the lovely photos of your families!

Congratulations to St Francis

WINNERS
of this
week's
house points
award



Year 2

Year 2 have had a brilliant full week back in school and have been very busy! In maths we have been looking at tens and ones and partitioning numbers. In English we have been describing the characters and setting in our story The Tin Forest. In Science this week we have been looking at different everyday



objects and identifying what material it is made from. In Geography we have been looking at continents and oceans and had fun looking through the atlases.

Year 3

Year 3 have had a very busy and productive week back at school. In our writing, we have been exploring the text, The Julian Stories and have begun to use noun phrases to describe the setting of a hectic kitchen! We used real resources and set up a mock kitchen scene to dive into the book and think about our setting from the character's perspective.



In computing this week we have had great discussions all about internet safety and how we can stay safe online. Well done year 3!

Year 4

It has been wonderful having all of the new Year 4 children in school for the new year. They have settled in really well and I am excited to see what they can achieve this year. We have already completed lots of work this week. In English, we have started our class reader, The Firework Maker's Daughter, and the children have already enjoyed exploring the characters. In maths, we have been representing and partitioning numbers up to 1000. It has also been great to see that most of the children have already been reading lots this week. Keep up the good work year 4!

Year 5

Year five have made an excellent start to the new school year. We have been sharing a book inspired by an Old English epic poem. Beowulf is a brave warrior who conquers beasts and helps people in need. The children have made predictions about what will happen in the text and considered how the setting links to our history topic: Anglo Saxons and Vikings. Maths lessons have included Roman numerals to 1000 (M) and recognising years written using them. We have also worked on place value of five-digit numbers. In RE the whole class have considered how much we can learn from Our Lady, including her love and faith in God. In our prayers we have reflected on how, with



Jesus at our side, we can make our school a place of faith, hope and love.

This Week's School Attendance

NURSERY	94.3%	YEAR 3	88.2%
RECEPTION	89.8%	YEAR 4	92.5%
YEAR 1	89.8%	YEAR 5	92.9%
YEAR 2	97.6%	YEAR 6	95.5%
SCHOOL		92.5%	

Year 6

It has been great to see all of the children in year 6 back in school and ready to learn. Already they are showing us that they can rise to the challenge of year 6. In maths, we have been looking at place value. In English, we have watched a film called Alma and written setting descriptions. The language the children are using is wonderful. On Friday, year 6 were the first class to do their class assembly. We learnt all about Rosh Hashanah and passed on this knowledge to all of the other children.

★ Work of the Week ★

Year 1	Noah	Year 2	Loay
Year 3	Bobby	Year 4	Eleojo
Year 5	Macie	Year 6	Italiah-Mae

Happy Birthday to....

Nicole

Kia

Macie

Ajay

Devansh

Sephora

Alfie

Ionela

Dates to Remember

Date	Event
Monday 18 th September	Mission and Vision Week
Wednesday 20 th September	All Hallows Assembly for Parents of Year 5 and Year 6
Monday 25 th September	3pm – KS1 Phonics / Reading Meeting – Hall
Monday 2 nd October	Black History Month 3pm – EY Phonics / Reading Meeting
Thursday 5 th October	National Poetry Day All Hallows Open Evening 6pm-8pm
Monday 9 th October	World Mental Health Day
Wednesday 11 th October	3pm – EY Maths Meeting – Classroom
Tuesday 17 th October	Breakfast and a Book – EY
Wednesday 18 th October	Breakfast and a Book – KS1
Friday 20 th October	School closes for half term break at 3.30pm
Tuesday 31 st October	School opens for Autumn 2 half term