

# St Joseph's Newsletter

13/10/2023

**Sports news** – yesterday afternoon, some children from Year 3 played in a tournament at The Cliff, they claimed second place, well done. They were the only team to have beaten the winners of the tournament.

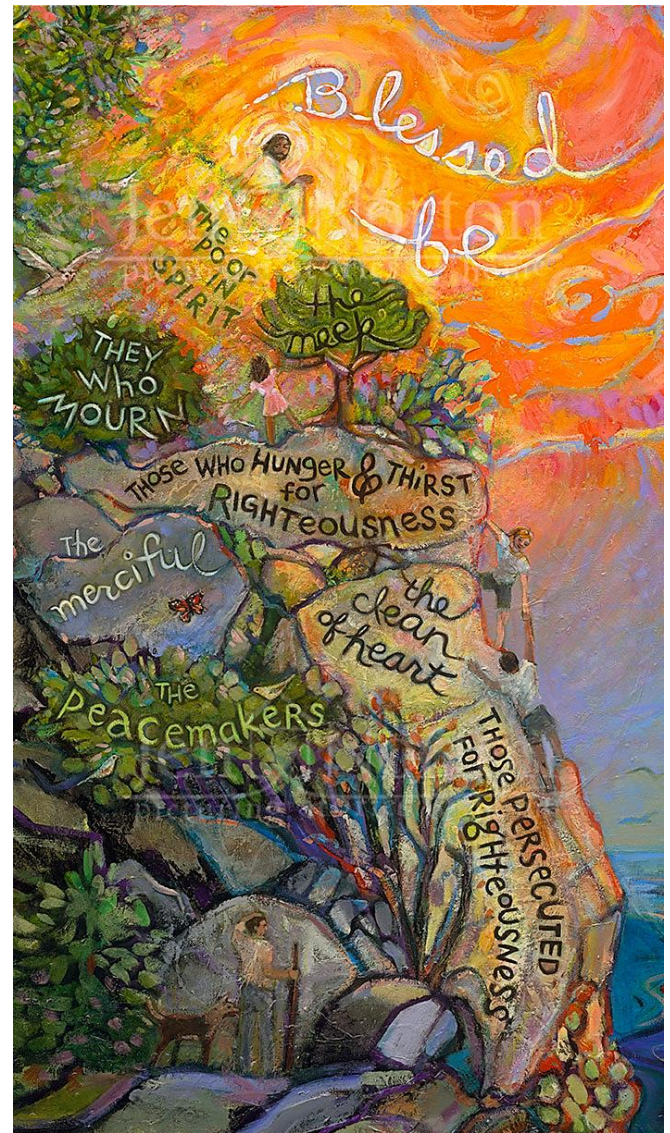


**Punctuality** – please be reminded that the gates open at 8.45am and children are expected to be in class by 9am. If you are late, you **MUST** bring your child to the main school office.

Increasing numbers of children are arriving late each day, missing the time to settle into their classes and to be ready to learn.

**EYFS Breakfast and a Book** will take place on Tuesday 17th October from 9am.

**Parents meetings** will be held on Wednesday 1st November and Thursday 2nd November. Information regarding time slots will be sent home on Monday.



During our assembly on Monday we reflected on The Beatitudes in Matthew's Gospel, the guidelines that Jesus revealed to the disciples during The Sermon on the Mount. They illustrate who Jesus is and how we can be more like him. We linked each of The Beatitudes to a letter in 'St. Joseph's' and thought about how we can follow in Jesus's footsteps.

# What Has Been Happening In Class This Week?

## Nursery

Nursery are continuing with our "Bear Hunt" theme this week. The children have painted a picture of the bear and we have enjoyed saying and singing the story.



## Reception

Reception have been very busy writing this week. We have been practising sounding out cvc words then writing them as a group and independently! We are doing amazingly!



## Year 1

Year 1 have started a new book this week called Ruby's Worry. We have been talking about what worries are and how talking about our worries can help us feel better. In Science we have been learning about our senses and the focus this week is taste. We had lots of fun trying lots of different types of foods! We had something sweet, something sour and something salty. For Art we have been mixing colours and learning about different artists. We created some amazing drip paintings using paint we had mixed.

## Year 2

Year 2 have had another fantastic week. From our work on Greta and the Giants, we are now looking at the work of famous activist Sir David Attenborough and what we can do to help look after the planet. In Science we had fun investigating different materials, which can bend, twist, stretch and be squashed. In Religion we have been thinking about what we are thankful for each day and reminding ourselves that God is with us.

## This Week's School Attendance

NURSERY	93.2%	YEAR 3	91.7%
RECEPTION	93%	YEAR 4	96.1%
YEAR 1	90%	YEAR 5	91.3%
YEAR 2	95.2%	YEAR 6	96.3%
SCHOOL		93.4%	

Congratulations to  
St Patrick  
WINNERS of this  
week's house points  
award



## Year 3

This week Year 3 went on their first trip of the year down to Salford Quays. We had a lot of fun exploring the Quays in the sunshine as part of our Geography learning. The children discussed the human and physical features of the area as well as drawing their own sketch maps with a key! Well done year 3



## Year 4

Another fantastic and very busy week. Year 4 have been working extremely hard on writing a missing chapter for The Firework Maker's Daughter. In Maths, the children have been adding two 4-digit numbers and revising 3- and 5-times tables. In Geography, the focus has been earthquakes and their impact on landscapes and people. In Art, we have been exploring different watercolour techniques and preparing to paint our final piece of Art for this half term. Miss Beckley and I were very impressed with the children's engagement and enthusiasm. Keep it up Year 4!

## Year 5

It has been an exciting week and the children have been fully engaged in all activities. We used a 'Hot Seat' to explore the characters feelings in our class text, Beowulf. The children asked insightful questions which showed a depth of understanding. Maths lessons have involved column addition and subtraction. It was impressive when some children were able to set challenges for the class and demonstrate the methods. In PE, Y5 further developed their basketball skills as they worked in teams, marking and passing with much success. In RE we have explored, with enthusiasm, the Mysteries of the Rosary to consider specific events in the life of Mary and Jesus as we pray.



## Year 6

We have been so proud of Year 6 this week. All week the children have been taking part in practice SATs papers and they showed great determination and perseverance. In religion, we have been looking at The Cellist of Sarajevo and linking this act of kindness with God's love for all mankind. We even had a go at writing our own Beatitudes. In Science, we have been discussing the affects of drugs and alcohol on the body. The children in year 6 always have great, in-depth discussions about all matters and it is wonderful to be part of.

## Work of the Week

	Reception	Arome	
Year 1	Ruby	Year 2	Delight
Year 3	Esmee	Year 4	Tristen
Year 5	Harrison	Year 6	Kiavola

## Happy Birthday to....

Kyle

Amelia

Nishanth

Logan



## Dates to Remember

Date	Event
Tuesday 17 <sup>th</sup> October	Breakfast and a Book – EY
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	Breakfast and a Book – KS1 Deadline to Return Flu Forms (Reception to Year 6)
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> October	School closes for half term break at 3.30pm
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup> October	School Toast Orders for Year 1 to Year 6 close on ParentPay
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> October	School opens for Autumn 2 half term
Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Parents Evening
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Parents Evening
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Remembrance Week / UK Parliament Week Individual Photographs
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> November	8.45am – 9.15am - Open Morning Parents and Carers 3.30pm – 4pm - Open Evening Parents and Carers
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 War Museum North Trip