

St Joseph's Newsletter

19/04/2024



Parents Meetings – these were very well attended. If you did not manage to speak to your child's teacher please arrange to do so.

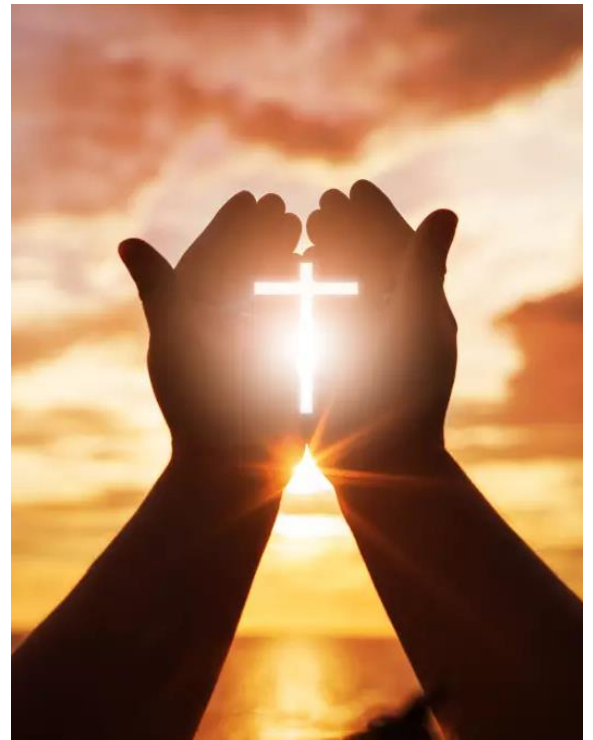
Open morning/afternoon will take place on Tuesday 23rd April, from 8.45 – 9.15am and from 3.30pm – 3.45pm. You are welcome to come into your child's class and have a look at their books with them.

We will also have a selection of uniform for you to take/check in the hall.

Lunchtime Organiser vacancy – if you would be interested in this position, please contact the school office. If you have expressed an interest previously and would like to still be considered, please let Mrs Byrne know.

★ Work of the Week ★

Nursery	Cristian	Reception	Nathan
Year 1	Evana	Year 2	Delight
Year 3	Bella	Year 4	Elejo
Year 5	Alexis	Year 6	Scarlett



We began the week thinking about how we are called to be Jesus' witnesses today by living our faith.

So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in His name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.

Luke 24:46-48

What Has Been Happening In Class This Week?

Nursery

Nursery have been doing lots of counting this week in our maths lessons. We have been learning the number rhyme " Five speckled frogs". The children have been making frogs in the playdough and counting them. We have been talking about one more and one less and matching the correct numeral to the amount of frogs.



Reception

This week reception have been learning all about butterflies, we have completed some amazing writing on the life cycle of a butterfly and made beautiful patterns on butterflies wings in maths.

In forest school we had a wonderful day den building, painting and making green soup for our insects.



Year 1

Year 1 have been very busy this week. We have finished the Queen's Hat and absolutely love it! In Science we have been observing the different types of flowers we can find in our gardens. We have been talking about the sunflower seeds we planted last term and so many of them are growing into beautiful sunflowers. On Thursday morning a cricket coach leads our PE lessons and we are having so much fun learning all about cricket. In Design Technology we have been looking at the different fruit and vegetables that we could use to make a smoothie. We can't wait to try some different smoothies next week!

Happy Birthday to....

Ehimen Ace

Nathan

Alfie



Year 2

This week in year 2 we have enjoyed taking on the role of a character in our story 'The Tear Thief' in English lessons, and have been writing diary entries as a character. In maths we have started our new topic on fractions and have been looking at identifying parts and a whole. We have also enjoyed playing 'hit the button' to help our speed with our times tables. In science we have been looking at the life cycle of a plant and have continued with our test on what plants need to grow.

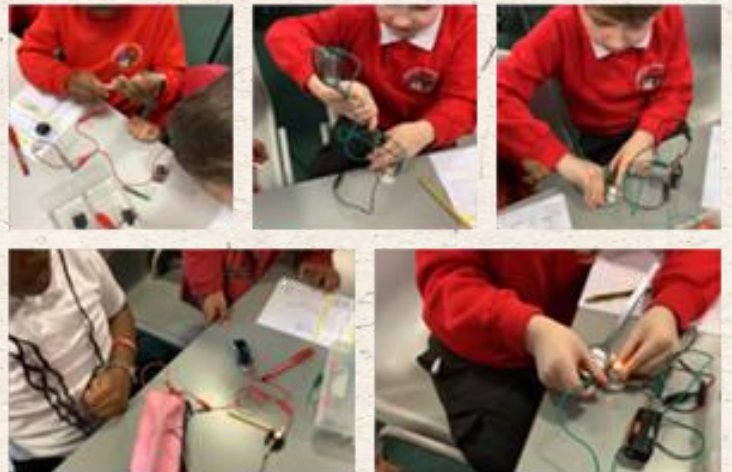
Year 3

This week Year 3 have been learning about fractions in Maths. We have built a fraction wall to compare and order fractions as well as explore equivalent fractions. In History, the class have been excited to learn all about the Tudors as we have explored the Battle of Bosworth and have started to create their own visual timeline to record this event. In Writing, we have explored fronted adverbials and used them in our sentences about the text. Well done Year 3!



Year 4

Year 4 started this week with a lovely drama session where children were focusing on different kinds of emotions and ways of dealing with them. In English, we have been enjoying reading The Lost Happy Endings and writing our own losing tale. In Maths, we have been subtracting 2 fractions, fractions from the whole amount and, converting between analogue and digital times. In Science, we have testing different materials to identify conductors and insulators. In History, we learnt about ancient Egyptian pyramids. What a busy week it has been! Well done Year 4!



**Congratulations
to St. Martin de
Porres**

**WINNERS of
this week's
house points
award**

Year 5

Year 5 have had another busy week. As part of The Lowry Creative Writing Challenge, we were invited to visit the Lowry theatre for a tour. The children were fully engaged as they explored the art gallery and were able to create their own artwork inspired by L.S. Lowry's sketches and paintings. In maths lessons they have been measuring and drawing angles. The children estimated the size of angles and then used protractors to check their accuracy.



RE has allowed us to consider how we (just as the disciples after the resurrection) see Jesus before us in our lives; through the people we love and the beautiful world God created just for us.

Year 6

This week we have been working hard in all subjects. In maths, we have been learning all about algebra. The children came to these lessons with the opinion that they can't do algebra, but after learning in the lessons, they now know that they can do it. In English, we have been writing a biography all about Nelson Mandela. The children have enjoyed learning about Mandela and Apartheid. On Tuesday, year 6 had a class Mass with Father Nathan. They sang beautifully and joined in with all responses.

This Week's School Attendance

N	93.8%
R	95.9%
Y1	91.1%
Y2	98.6%
Y3	87.9%
Y4	96.1%
Y5	96.3%
Y6	93%
Total	94.1%

Android

Android Users:

Parent Apps has just released a patch for the school app. If you do not have automatic updates turned on then go to your app store and search PA Connect, tap the update button for the latest version.



Dates to Remember

Date	Event
Tuesday 23rd April	Parents / Carers Class Visits – 8.45am – 9.30am Parents / Carers Class Visits – 3.30pm – 4pm
Wednesday 1st May	Digital Safeguarding Day
Monday 6th May	Bank Holiday, School Closed
Wednesday 8th May	Class Photographs
Thursday 9th May	Ascension Thursday
Monday 13th May	KS2 SATs Week
Friday 24 th May	School Closes for the Half Term Break
Monday 10 th June	School Opens for Summer 2 Term
Friday 28 th June	Year 5 Watersports Centre Trip