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### St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

# **NEWSLETTER**

4th November 2016

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## Stars of the Week

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is an opportunity to celebrate our Learning Stars.

Congratulations to:

Shayla Nell
Anna Rudling
Maja Haponiuk
Rosie-Lee Smith
Inka Kozlowska
Kayla Quainoo
Michael Burke
Nergis Yildrim
Archie Grant
Kasper Haponiuk
Devon Nickels
Ashleigh Steer
Ella Duval
Amelia Hornett

#### **Attendance**

Congratulations to **ROWAN** class who have the highest attendance so far this year at 96.6%





#### **Cleaner Wanted**

Our cleaning contractor, Churchills, are looking to employ a cleaner at the school for ten hours after school. Anyone interested should contact:

Heather Pastor on 07967631468

#### **Devon School Admissions Service**

Please note that you can view the admission arrangements that Devon County Council and Devon schools are proposing for the 2018-19 academic year intake and for in year admissions at https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/apply-fora-school-place/arrangements-and-policies.

The consultation is open from 1 November to 6 January. Comments on the arrangements can be made by parents, settings and community groups with an interest in school admissions.



#### **New Website**

The new school website is now up and running. It can be found at the same website address.

www.st-josephs-primary.devon.sch.uk

The website includes a number of policies that have been recently adopted by the school's Governing Body that may be of interest to parents. These policies include:

Attendance Policy Behaviour Policy Anti-Bullying Strategy

Updates are happening all the time, so do keep visiting the website for news and information.

Live, learn and love in a caring Catholic community.

#### **Poppy Appeal**

Next week the children will be given the opportunity to support The Royal British Legion 'Poppy Appeal'. They may bring in a silver coin for a poppy or £1 for a wristband.



#### **Phonics Workshop for Parents**

Mrs Stephens will be holding a phonics meeting for parents on Tuesday 29th November between 2.30 and 3.20 pm.



The meeting will be

most useful to Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 parents. It will cover information on how we teach your child phonics (letter sounds) and help you to support your child's reading and writing at home.

The meeting will be held in the school hall.

#### **Parent Consultations**

Thank you for attending the meetings. I hope that you found them informative and useful. The next parent meetings will be in the Spring Term; however, please make an appointment in the meantime if you have any concerns.

A date will be set for later in the term for 'Open Books' when children are invited to share their work in school with their parents/ carers.

#### **Book Bags**

School book bags are now back in stock in the school office. Parents can buy replacement bags for £4.00.

The next newsletter will go home on: Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 2016.

#### Dates

10<sup>th</sup> November Y3 Swimming

18<sup>th</sup> November School Council's

Children in Need day

23<sup>rd</sup> November Staying Safe—Devon Fire &

Rescue Service Y2/Y5

28<sup>th</sup> November Y5 Advent Liturgy

29<sup>th</sup> November Phonics Workshop

30<sup>th</sup> November Flu Vaccinations Y1, 2 and 3

**Change of menu** The menu for Monday 7th November has changed. Children are now able to enjoy:

Hotdogs
Vegetarian Hotdogs
Chips
Jacket Potatoes with a choice of filling
Sweet Corn
Baked Beans
Chocolate Crispy

Prayer and Praise is a whole school act of worship that includes our daily liturgy and the presentation of weekly awards to the children. All parents, family and parishioners are most welcome to come and join in with our prayers and singing. Prayer and Praise is on a Friday morning at 9.15am and lasts for about half an hour. We would love to see you there.

Lord of the loving heart,
may mine be loving too.
Lord of the gentle hands,
may mine be gentle too.
Lord of the willing feet,
may mine be willing too.
So may I grow to be more like you
in all I say and do.
Amen

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Kelly Dunne: Interim Headteacher

St. Joseph's School is committed to safeguarding children.