



# St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

# NEWSLETTER

14th October 2016

## Stars of the Week

is an opportunity to celebrate our Learning Stars.

Congratulations to:

Lydia Stackhouse  
Alanah East  
Jack Mariadas  
Kian Voisey  
Imogen Voisey  
Kimberley Kneeshaw  
Codey-Ann Bentley  
George Gould  
Jessica Kneeshaw  
William Bath  
Joshua Williams  
Maddi Field  
Trai Janes  
Lacey Hibble

### School Council 2016/17

We were happy to announce our School Council Representatives for this academic year at assembly on Monday 10th October. The following are the proud representatives elected by their class:-

<b>WILLOW</b>	George Yeadon William Bath
<b>BIRCH</b>	Cormac Malone Jack Mariadas
<b>ASH</b>	Isaac Langmead Teyla Byrne
<b>ROWAN</b>	Ruby Slatter Sophia Phillips
<b>MAPLE</b>	Shayla Nell Lydia Stackhouse
<b>ELM</b>	Oliver Holt John Burke

We wish them well in their new roles.

### Attendance

Congratulations to **ROWAN** class who have the highest attendance so far this year at 97.3%

**EVERY  
SCHOOL DAY  
COUNTS**

**Year 6 Parents** The deadline for applying for a secondary school place for your child is 31st October. Failure to apply by the date may mean your child will not secure a local school place. Apply at: [www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline](http://www.devon.gov.uk/admissionsonline)

**Half term starts at 3.30pm on Friday 21st October.**  
**School restarts on Tuesday 1st November.**

### First Holy Communion

St Joseph's Parish Church is now planning their preparation for First Holy Communion in 2017. If your child is in Year 3 and you would like them to be included, forms are available from the school office or the back of the parish churches.



### New Website

I had hoped that the new school website would go live today. We are trying to arrange for the eSchools website to use our current domain name. You should shortly see the new website when you visit us at

[www.st-josephs-primary.devon.sch.uk](http://www.st-josephs-primary.devon.sch.uk)

Live, learn and love in a caring Catholic community.

### Individual/ Family/ Staff Photos

The school photographer will be in school on Tuesday 18th October. If you would like siblings, not in the school, to be part of a family photograph please come into school at the following times:

Older Siblings: 8-8.30am

Pre-school siblings: 8.30-9am



Siblings who attend the school and individual photos will be taken throughout the day.

St Joseph's Pre-School children will be photographed at 9.15am.

**School Uniform** At St Joseph's, part of our identity is our school uniform and we pride ourselves in this.

Therefore, parents are urged to ensure that children are sent to school wearing the correct uniform and shoes. A list of current uniform requirements is available from the school office.



All items of clothing, water bottles, lunch boxes and snack pots should be clearly marked with your child's name.

PE kits should ideally be kept in school all week so that children have access to these to change for PE whenever needed.

The only jewellery permitted in school are simple stud earrings and a watch. No other jewellery should be worn. Please could you ensure that all long hair is tied back for school.

Thank you for your continued support.

**The next newsletter will go home on:  
Friday 4th November 2016.**

### Behaviour and Safeguarding

- On Tuesday and Wednesday of this week the school had a Section 8 Ofsted inspection to review Behaviour and Safeguarding. Thank you for all of the support we received, especially those of you who completed the Parent View questionnaire. We were proud to share our school with two HMI inspectors and we are now waiting for their letter with their findings.
- Last week Office Staff completed training on attendance so that the Governors' newly adopted policy may be implemented. The Attendance Policy is on the new school website.
- Staff sessions have been held on the school's E-Safety Policy and Code of Conduct for adults. The E-Safety Policy is on the new website.
- Miss Sealy has attended training on EVOLVE, an online system for risk assessing off site visits.

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

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

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 \* **Almighty God**, may our school be welcoming \*  
 \* May our school be encouraging \*  
 \* Let friendship flourish here \*  
 \* Let learning fill our day \*  
 \* Give us the strength to do our best \*  
 \* Give us the hope to carry on. \*  
 \* Be our guide in all that we do. \*  
 \* Lord make this school your home too. \*  
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Kelly Dunne: Interim Headteacher

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

Designated Child Protection Officer: Kelly Dunne Deputy Child Protection Officers: Claire Hawkings and Vanessa Crutchlow

Named Governor for Child Protection: Tim Van Kroonenberg