



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

5th March 2018

Stars of the Week

is an opportunity to celebrate our
Learning Stars.

Congratulations to:

Penny Field
Amelia Grant
Logan Parnell
Hallie Lofthouse
Kasper Haponiuk
Phoebe Seaman

Dates

7th March	Maple Paignton Zoo
8th March	Oak & Birch Paignton Zoo
8th March	Maple Swimming
9th March	Birch class Assembly
9th March	World Book Day
9th March	'Friends' Mothers Day shop
15th March	Maple Swimming
16th March	Road Closure 1pm-5pm
19th March	St Joseph's Day Mass at church
29th March	End of Term
16th April	Start of Summer Term

We love to celebrate our pupils' achievements out of school during Prayer and Praise.

Congratulations to **Freya Treacher** for receiving her **Stage 1** Learn to Swim certificate.

Congratulations to **George Yeadon** for receiving a medal for **Rugby** and **Charlie Edge** for getting **Man of the Match** for Newton Abbot Juniors Rugby team.

Congratulations to **Brendon Letchford** for achieving his **purple belt** in martial arts.

Please bring your certificates and awards to the office.

International Women's Day

As part of a celebration for International Women's Day **Heidi Long** from Willow class will be visiting Newton Abbot Fire station. The Spotlight news team will be there to record this and it will be aired on Thursday 8th March.



Mrs Rosie Stephens

It is with great sadness that we have to inform you that Mrs Stephens baby has died. All of us at St Joseph's send our love and strength at this very difficult time. Please hold Rosie and her family in your prayers.

Attendance

Congratulations to the classes with the highest weekly attendance:

**EVERY
SCHOOL DAY
COUNTS**

19th-22nd Feb **BIRCH** **99.3%**

THANK YOU

A huge thank you to Mrs Kneeshaw, Mrs Woods, Mrs Breslan and Mrs Duval for valiantly manning the sewing machines to help turn the children's art work into travel bunting.

Infectious Diseases

With reference to the recent cases of chickenpox in school please refer to the link below as to when children should return to school.

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/south/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2017/09/spotty-book-1.pdf>

Live, learn and love in a caring Catholic community.



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Lenten Fundraising for Rehoboth School, Kenya

During Lent, we are planning lots of fundraising events to raise money to buy a water tank for Rehoboth Elite Academy in Kenya. We would welcome any donations from parents, friends and parish via our Virgin Money Giving page to help us achieve our goal of £300. Follow the link below to read more about Rehoboth. Many thanks.



<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/>



Welcome to The Friends of St Josephs Facebook page! This is for St Joseph's Catholic Primary School...

The 'Friends' Facebook page is used as an additional way of communicating news and information about school events with parents. If you are not yet a member of the group, please search for 'Friends of St Joseph's Catholic Primary School' and request to join.

ACTIVE MUMS RIDES

No childcare? No Money? No Energy?Not anymore! Feel better, look great, have fun and get in shape.

All rides £4.00 and include all equipment. Book your place on www.letsride.co.uk and search rides in the TQ12 postcode area.

#RideConfident Sign up for your FREE 2 hour cycle confidence sessions at www.devon.cc/cyclefree



REHOBOTH ELITE ACADEMY, KENYA

Mary-Jane Butler, who established the charity Widows and Orphans in Rural Kenya (W.O.R.K.), approached us to ask if we



would like to link with Rehoboth Elite Academy. We welcomed the chance to develop a link with another school community. We are excited about extending our pupils' understanding of 'universal church' and children's lives that are different from their own experiences.

We have sent photographs and information about St Joseph's. Elm class have written letters to the children. We aim to involve all our children in regular

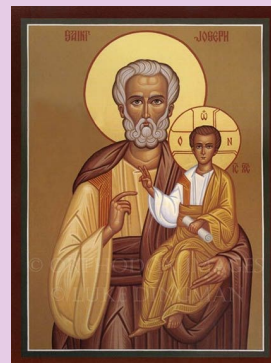
correspondence with the pupils at Rehoboth. There is a display of photographs taken by Mary-Jane on her last visit to Kenya, along with more information, outside the office.



ST JOSEPH'S DAY MASS

We are going to Mass at St Joseph's Church on Monday 19th March at 10am to celebrate St Joseph's Feast Day.

All parents and friends are welcome to join us. If you are able to walk to church and back with your child's class, please see the class teacher. All offers of help will be very much appreciated.



Live, learn and love in a caring Catholic community.

Community Street Design Trial – 16th March

Over the past couple of years our School has been working with Sustrans, the Sustainable Travel Charity, to develop ideas for improving the roads around the school, to make it easier for both children and parents to walk and cycle to school. The project has been funded by Devon County Council Access Fund (Department for Transport Funding) who are committed to improving the walking and cycling offer to local schools in Newton Abbot.

Sustrans have held a number of workshops with our school. The first workshop taught students about how street design can impact on the way we behave in streets, and our travel choices. The second workshop helped pupils and staff identify what works and what needs improving along the road. The third workshop considered design, and began to develop some design ideas about how the street could be improved.

We are now taking part in the next stage of the project - a Community Street Design Trial. On **Friday 16th March** during the afternoon, **Coombeshead Road will be temporarily closed from its junctions with Pitt Hill Road to Greenaway Road** in order to test out initial design ideas. Our pupils will help to create temporary improvements to the street using chalk and Sustrans Street Kit, a modular partition system. Then from 3.15pm to 4.30pm the trial event will be open up for all to see.

So come along at school pick up time to see the work that the school have been doing. Give us your views and help to develop ideas. The road outside the school will be closed between 1pm and 5pm, so support us by walking, cycling, scooting or travelling by public transport to and from school on this day.

New Road Markings

You may have noticed we have new road markings outside the school entrance:

Yellow zig zag lines without signs

- Yellow zig zag lines without signs to accompany them do not have a Traffic Regulation Order giving the local council powers to issue PCN fines. Therefore it is technically legal to park on yellow zig zag lines without signs at any time.
- However, these zig zag road markings are placed there to advise motorists **not to wait or park** on these lines for the **safety of children** and although the local council do not have the powers to enforce penalties, police frequently issue tickets in such cases. Tickets are issued on the grounds of causing an obstruction to either other motorists or pedestrians and not for parking on the yellow zig zag lines directly.
- However, **PLEASE NOTE:** Signs will be going up at the end of this month which will allow the council to issue tickets to anyone parking on the zig zags during the times stated on the signs.

MISS HANSFORD

Miss Hansford begins her maternity leave today. She leaves with our good wishes and prayers for the birth of her baby in April.

Air Ambulance Stamp Appeal

We are collecting stamps for the above appeal, they can be new or used, British or Foreign. Just bring them in to the office and we will send them on in order to keep the UK Air Ambulance Service responding to life threatening emergencies.

Birch Class Assembly will now take place on Friday 9th March all are welcome to attend.

Live, learn and love in a caring Catholic community.



Class Quizzing Averages	
Elm	90.3%
Maple	78.5%
Ash	75.4%
Birch	72.8%

Top Quizzing Results	
Sean Palmer	98.8%
Kayla Quainoo	98.5%
Sophia Phillips	98%
Annie McKinley	97.7%
Jagoda Zuber	97.1%

World Book Day

World Book Day will now take place on Friday 9th March. Children are invited to come to school dressed as their favourite book character.

They can also bring their favourite book in to school to share.



Prayer and Praise

Parents and parish friends are very welcome to join us for our short act of worship and celebration of achievements every Friday at 9.15am. We look forward to seeing you.

The next newsletter will go home on:

Friday 16th March.

All newsletters are available to view on the school website.

School Clubs

Below are the clubs that are running this term, the finishing time and the adult responsible for the club.

Monday	Maths Games Y5,6 (4.30pm) Mrs Sharman
	Drama KS2 (4.30pm) Miss Hannaford
Tuesday	KS1 Multi Skills (4.15pm) Mr Gillard
Thursday	Homework Y4,5,6 (4.30 pm) Miss Dunne/ Mrs Wilson
	KS2 Netball (4.30pm) Mr Gillard
	Civic Award Club Y6 (1.00-1.30) Mrs Soby
Friday	KS2 Football (4.30pm) Mr Gillard

We pray for ourselves: that
through our Lenten journey of
prayer, fasting
and almsgiving, God will deepen
our love for our
sisters and brothers living in
poverty.
Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Coombeshead Road, Newton Abbot, TQ12 1PT

Tel: 01626 352559 Email: admin@sjna.uk

Kelly Dunne: Headteacher

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

Designated Child Protection Officer: Kelly Dunne Deputy Child Protection Officer: Claire Hawkings

Named Governor for Child Protection: Tim Van Kroonenburg