



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School NEWSLETTER

20th April 2018

Stars of the Week

is an opportunity to celebrate our
Learning Stars.

Congratulations to:

Joe Harrity

Sapphire Wood

George Yeadon

Cormac Malone

Mason Clausen

Eliza Kubien

Willow Class

Theo Drinkwater

Filip Jaglowski

William Bath

Vlad Gheorghe

Kye-Lewis Steer

Jessica Lambert

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

Congratulations to **William Stackhouse** for gaining a **Distinction** in his Grade 1 Guitar exam.

Congratulations to **William Bath** for completing the **Yellow Stripe** test and **Emily Bath** for completing the **Red Stripe** test in Karate.

Congratulations to **Owen Steer** for achieving his **Red Stripe** belt and **Logan Steer** for achieving his **Orange** belt in Martial Arts.

Congratulations to **Archie Grant**, **Taya Bailey Gibbs** and **Robin Harris** for winning **Football** trophies.

Congratulations to **George Yeadon** for gaining best competitor in Tae Kwando.

Please bring your certificates and awards to the office.

Attendance

Congratulations to the classes with the highest weekly attendance:

15th-22nd Mar **MAPLE** **98.3%**

16th-20th Apr **OAK** **98.4%**

**EVERY
SCHOOL DAY
COUNTS**

Dates

23rd Apr- 3rd May Big Pedal, Bike & Scoot to School

26th April Elm Class Swimming

27th April **Easter Hat Parade 9.15am**

1st May St Joseph's Day Mass 10am

St Joseph's Church

Parents are invited to walk down to church with their class, please speak to your class teacher.

4th May

Non Pupil Day

7th May

Bank Holiday

11th May

'Friends' Bake Sale

25th May

End of first Half Term

4th June

Non Pupil Day

8th June

'World Cup' Summer Fayre

Congratulations to the school football team, who beat St Mary's Primary school 9-3 in their first game together as a team.



Thanks go to Mr Gillard and Mrs Johnson for their hard work in arranging the game which finally went ahead at the third attempt.

Well done to Lydia Stackhouse, Phoebe Seaman, Molly Witham, Olly Lofthouse, Lacey Hibble, Hallie Lofthouse, Jessica Kneeshaw and Isla Hoskin, who all took part in the Two Sisters Dance and Theatre Arts dance show. You are all amazing!

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if not me,
who? if
not now,
when?

FRIENDS OF ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Over the years, the Friends of St Joseph's has been a committed group of parents and staff working hard to raise much needed funds for additional equipment and resources for pupils of the school. The money raised last year has been used to purchase picnic benches for the playground and more reading books for the library. With our school budget squeezed ever tighter, fundraising organised by 'The Friends' and supported by parents and staff is vital in ensuring we can provide new equipment, books and experiences to enrich the school-life of our children. We can't do it without you.

We are in the process of re-launching the committee and are looking for new members and new officers. You don't have to be confident or outgoing. But maybe YOU can bring something to The Friends of St Joseph's. You just need to have a desire to want MORE for your children.

Information about the Committee roles and responsibilities for Chair, Treasurer and Secretary are on the school website. However, don't panic... a Committee also needs ordinary members, who will attend meetings, bring fresh ideas and help plan events. The Friends of St Joseph's Constitution states that the committee is made up of these three roles and six other members. **For the Friends of St Joseph's to move forward, we need people who are willing to take on these roles.**

Have a look at the school website and if you have any questions or need more information, you are welcome to pop in and see either Miss Dunne or Mrs Wilson.

Anybody interested in filling the Committee roles of Chair, Treasurer or Secretary should register their interest at the school office or by email (admin@sjna.uk) by **Thursday 3rd May**, so that an AGM can be held for the parents and staff of the school to choose and vote in the new Committee. All parents and staff, as members of the Friends of St Joseph's, will be invited to this meeting.



Bookmaking

This term in KS2, all children are going to make their own Learning Journey book. We would appreciate parents to help groups of children with this. If you would like to learn how to make a book from scratch, so that you can come into school and help the children with theirs, please come along to a practical session (coffee and biscuits included!) with Miss Dunne and Mrs Wilson on Tuesday 1st May at 1.30pm. All materials provided, and you get to take home your own book!

Fundraising for Rehoboth

We would like to say a very **BIG** thank you to everyone who has contributed to the Lenten fundraising. Our total currently stands at **£1187.00**.

We have contacted Mary Jane in Kenya and she says that they will either install two water tanks or one large one and they will find out what else the school needs. We will invite Mary Jane Butler and Father Adrian Toffolo from W.O.R.K. to visit school in May.

Free Parenting course at St Joseph's 'Parenting through the Teenage Years' 6pm – 7.30pm

Tuesday 18th September—6th November 2018

We recently held a 'Parenting through the Primary Years' course with Caroline Hambly from Catholic Children's Society. The feedback received was very positive, so we are pleased to offer a follow-up course which would be of interest to parents of children in Y5 and Y6. Flyers will be coming home before the end of term for you to sign up.

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100% Attendance Awards

We are pleased to highlight the fantastic attendance of some of our pupils. Congratulations to the following children who received **100%** Attendance Awards for the **Autumn** and **Spring** Terms combined:

William Bath	Isaac Beswetherick-Sau
Joel Beswetherick-Sau	Theo Delany
Ella Duval	Isla-May Edge
Holly Emerson	Kayleigh Emerson
Patrick Halse	Carmen Hanson
Elliott Leaman	Harry Leeper
Heidi Long	Cormac Malone
Eliana Quainoo	Kayla Quainoo
Phoebe Seaman	Harry Slatter
Jack Slatter	Ruby Slatter
William Stackhouse	Nathaniel Wood

Congratulations to the following children who received **100%** Attendance Awards for the **Spring** Term:

William Bath	Finley Bayldon
Isaac Beswetherick-Sau	Joel Beswetherick-Sau
Imogen Bevan	Theo Delany
Ella Duval	Charles Edge
Isla-May Edge	Holly Emerson
Kayleigh Emerson	Lillianna Freer
Archie Grant	Patrick Halse
Carmen Hanson	Scarlett Hervin
Barney Hickman	Filip Jaglowski
Cally Jones	Rebecca Knott
Jan Kozlowski	Ronoel Lazaro
Elliott Leaman	Harry Leeper
Heidi Long	Cormac Malone
Oisin Malone	Emily Mariadas
Ellie McLaughlin	Lilly McLaughlin
Elliott Mizen	Eliana Quainoo
Kayla Quainoo	Phoebe Seaman
Harry Slatter	Jack Slatter
Ruby Slatter	William Stackhouse
Nathaniel Wood	Cassey Zmuda

46 children improved their attendance for the Spring Term. Congratulations to:

Codey-Ann Bentley	Warren Diamond
Cally Jones	Harry Matthews
Annie Turner	Rebecca Knott

Parent Questionnaires February 2018

Very many thanks to all those parents who contributed to valuable feedback through the parent questionnaire. Feedback was extremely positive for many aspects of the school and there was a wide range of comments highlighting things that parents feel we do well. Just as importantly the survey provided a range of constructive comments on areas where we could improve, all of which will be taken into serious consideration by staff and governors when planning further development of the school in the summer term and next academic year.

We are very grateful to all those who participated in the survey. However good we are, we can always be better and even the best schools should always see themselves as works in progress. Certainly, we know that at St Joseph's there is much important work to be done, and the questionnaire itself represents part of our efforts to continually improve what we do, for the benefit of all our children.

Please visit the website for the collated results.

Now the weather is finally starting to warm up, could we please remind you to send your children in with **sun cream** that they can apply themselves and a **hat** for breaktime.



If you wish your child to wear sunglasses could you please pass a note to their class teacher.

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.

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Class Quizzing Averages	
Elm	89.5%
Maple	78%
Ash	76.3%
Birch	74.9%

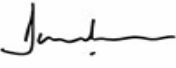
Top Quizzing Results	
Eliana Quainoo	100%
Sean Palmer	98.8%
Kayla Quainoo	98.8%
Phoebe Seaman	95.9%
Carmen Hanson	95.6%

School Clubs

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

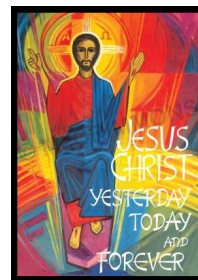
Monday	Drama KS2 (4.30pm) Miss Hannaford
Tuesday	KS1 Multi Skills (4.15pm) Mr Gillard
Thursday	Homework Y4,5,6 (4.30 pm) Miss Dunne/ Mrs Wilson KS2 Netball (4.30pm) Mr Gillard Civic Award Club Y6 (1.00-1.30) Mrs Soby
Friday	KS2 Football (4.30pm) Mr Gillard



Congratulations
Lydia Stackhouse
**on becoming an
Accelerated Reader
Word Millionaire!**
Words Read:
1,023,926
 Signed by **Dirk Foch**,
Managing Director, Renaissance Learning
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The Big Pedal 23rd April—3rd May

Sustrans Big Pedal is the UK's largest inter-school cycling and scooting challenge inspiring pupils, staff and parents to choose two wheels for their journey to school. On each day, schools compete to see who can get as many of their pupils, staff and parents cycling or scooting to school. So lets make the most of the sunshine and see how far we can go!



Alleluia! Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

SATS Information for Parents/Carers -Y2 and Y6

In preparation for the Y2 and Y6 SATS in May we have added some useful information to the school website for you to read. You can find this under the Teaching and Learning tab, then SATS information.

<https://st-josephs-pri.eschools.co.uk>

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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