



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School NEWSLETTER

1st December 2017

Stars of the Week

is an opportunity to celebrate our
Learning Stars.

Congratulations to:

Callum Holdway	Emily Mariadas
Robin Harris	Faith Cannings
Harry Slatter	Patrick Halse
Grace Brewer	Archie Grant
Kaper Haponiuk	Harry Martin
Hazel Mann	Maddi Field

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

Congratulations to **Maja Haponiuk** for gaining **stage 4** Learn to Swim.

Congratulations to **Leo Davies** for gaining **stage 1** Learn to Swim.

Please bring your certificates and awards to the office.

Attendance

Congratulations to the classes with the highest weekly attendance:

16th-23rd Nov	MAPLE	97.9%
24th-30th Nov	ELM	97.9%

**EVERY
SCHOOL DAY
COUNTS**

CHILDREN IN NEED

Thank you for everyone who took part in the Bake Sale and donated.

You raised a spotacular £313.35!



There are NO Clubs running during December.

Dates

8th December	R/Yr1 Nativity 2pm
13th December	Christmas Carol Concert
13th December	Christmas dinner
15th December	Christmas Jumper day
15th December	End of Term
2nd January	Non pupil day
3rd January	Start of Spring Term
4th January	ASH class swimming

Last Prayer and Praise on Friday 8th December at 9.15am. See you there.

Parents, parish and friends are invited to our

Christmas Carol Concert

Wednesday 13th December

9.15am

Please join us for festive refreshments after.

Travelling Cribs - *Could you offer Mary and Joseph a room for the night?*

Once again, we will be remembering the journey Mary and Joseph made to Bethlehem. From Monday, our cribs will be travelling around our families. Please enjoy them and we look forward to receiving your photos for our website.

Please email any photos to admin@sjna.uk



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'Friends of St Josephs'

**DECORATE A
CHRISTMAS
TREE
COMPETITION**



Closing date:

**Wednesday 13th
December**

**Prize for
each class**

50p to enter

Buy your tree
template from the office.

HEALTHY SNACKS FOR KS2

The uptake from KS2 children for buying a piece of fruit in school for break time has been low. From January this option will not be available. Please could all parents of children in KS2 provide a healthy snack for morning break. Fruit, vegetables, cheese, muesli bar or a sandwich are all suitable.



Anita Belli School of Dancing in

THE NUTCRACKER

Saturday 9th December

Daphne Coleman Hall

Newton Abbot College

2pm & 5pm

Tickets

Adults £8 Senior Citizens £6 Children £5

Available on the door and at

Choice Word Christian Bookshop, Queen Street

Or telephone Laura 01626 830871

**IN AID OF DISPLACED CHILDREN IN IRAQ AND
SYRIA**



The latest School
Nursing Team
newsletter is available
on the school website.

Photos and Videos

We are very happy for you to take videos and photos at school performances but could we please remind you that these should not be posted on social media if they contain children other than your own.
Thank you.

Medication Reminder

As from 1st December we are unable to administer any non-prescription medication to the children. If you have any medication in school, please come in and collect it from the office.

Is your child entitled to half price school trips? Half price school clubs? Half price music lessons? Free school meals?

If you are in receipt of certain means tested benefits, you could claim the above for your child. For each child who is eligible, the school receives additional funding. This funding can then be used to subsidise his/her trips and lessons, therefore making you a saving.

To see if you are eligible and to apply visit

<https://new.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/school-information/school-meals>

You can still apply even if your child is currently in KS1 and has universal free school meals. Should you need any assistance please speak to the school office.



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CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY—Friday 15th

Come in your festive clothes—just for fun!

Can you help?

Do you have a small baby bath or baby clothes that we can use for our nurture work? Please let the office know if you can help.

'Friends of St Josephs' CHILDREN'S CHOCOLATE RAFFLE

The Friends have organised a chocolate raffle for the children. Raffle tickets are £1 a strip and will be sent home or can be purchase from the school office. Please return named tickets and money to school by Friday 15th December.

Donations of children's chocolates will be gratefully received. Please drop them in to the office.



All newsletters are available to view on the school website.

COINS FOR CHILDREN

Catholic Children's Society Advent Appeal - 'Make Love Your Aim'

Our school is supporting this year's appeal as we grow closer to Jesus and get ready for Christmas.

The charity supports families living in Devon, Cornwall and Dorset, through one-off grants, crisis funds and parenting courses.

On Monday, children will receive their own crib collection box to bring home not only as a reminder of the true meaning of Christmas but also that some local children may not be having a Christmas full of delights and treats. The donation boxes can be filled with coins from home or away, old or new and will be returned to school in January to be offered as a gift on the feast of the Epiphany.



EPIPHANY

We will be celebrating the Feast of the Epiphany with
a Mass in school at 9.15am
on Friday 5th January.

Everyone is most welcome to join us.

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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