



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

3rd July 2020



Dear Parents/ Carers

As always at this time of year, my thoughts are always more in September than they are July! You will know that the Government has announced that it plans for all pupils to return in September. This is music to my ears, but, at the time of writing, the Government had yet to release advice as to how this will be managed. As soon as we know what this means for St Joseph's pupils, we will let you know.

The classes for next year are determined and this information will be sent out with the school reports next week. It is difficult to manage the transition into the new classes at this time, but your child's new teacher(s) will be contacting you in the next couple of weeks to ensure as smooth a process as possible.

Wishing you a happy weekend.

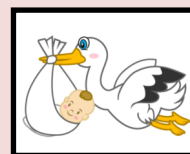
Kelly Dunne

Annual School Reports

Following the cancellation of this year's summer primary assessments, and partial school closures, due to the coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak, this year's annual reports will be different:

- All annual reports will be emailed to parents.
- Attendance data for the school year is up to 14th February 2020.
- This year's annual reports reflect progress and attainment up to the Friday 20th March.
- Due to their cancellation, the school will not report outcomes of key stages 1 and 2 tests.
- If you wish to discuss the contents of the report with your child's class teacher, please contact the school office on admin@sjna.uk or 01626 352559, to arrange a suitable time for the class teacher to ring you at home.

CONGRATULATIONS! We were delighted to hear about the safe arrival of Master Berken Boke. Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Boke, Delal, Evindar and Adar. We are all so pleased for you all. We wish you all the very best with your new bundle of joy.



Flu Vaccinations This week, Mrs Hobart sent out a link to all parents to give consent for your child's flu vaccination in the autumn term. If you haven't received the link please contact the school office. Thank you.

"Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light."

Matthew 11:25-30

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St Joseph's School is committed to safeguarding children.

Designated Safeguarding Officer: Kelly Dunne

Deputy Designated Safeguarding Officer: Emma Wilson

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School uniform 2020/21

Please note that there are a few small changes to our uniform this year:

- **Grey** is our uniform colour for all school trousers, skirts and pinafores.
 - **School shirts/ blouses are now white** and not sky blue.
 - **Polo shirts** are for PE Kit only.

This is because of a difficulty obtaining certain items from our suppliers, and to make it easier and cheaper for parents to obtain the majority of the school uniform and, in the case of the logo on sweatshirts, jumpers or cardigans and reduced variation of colours and styles, to support greater uniformity in school. This is the end of the two year review of uniform and there will be no further changes in subsequent years.

St Joseph's School Uniform

Grey trousers or **Grey** pinafore or knee-length skirt
White shirt or blouse and navy blue tie*
Navy blue logo-embroidered ** sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan
Grey shorts or blue and white dress in the summer
Grey or white socks
Black school shoes

PE Kit: Navy blue shorts
White t-shirt or polo shirt
Suitable trainers
Navy blue tracksuits or jogging bottoms may be worn in the winter.

All school uniform, including embroidered items, are available to order from **Myclothing.com** The link to our school page can be found on the school website or go to www.myclothing.com and enter the school postcode. We hope to add a new supplier **www.rivieraschooldays.co.uk** to support parents in obtaining school uniform. We will let you know as soon as this is in place.

*These are also available to buy from the school office. Please order via SIMS Pay.

** Embroidered badges are available from the school office if you would prefer to sew them on to a sweatshirt, jumper or cardigan.

If your child still fits into their old uniform, please do not feel that you need to replace items. We just ask that when the time comes to renew the uniform, that you adhere to the uniform list above.

All items of clothing should be clearly marked with the child's name.

Relationships Education and Health Education

In the academic year 2020/21, Relationships and Health Education will become statutory in all primary schools in England. As a Catholic school, our mission is to support the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of all of our pupils, rooted in the wisdom and teaching of the Church. The education of children in human sexuality is an important, precious and privileged responsibility. The Church teaches us that this is very much a partnership with parents, in which parents are the 'first educators' of their children on these matters; ultimately, you confer on us the right to co-educate your children with you.

We have decided to adopt **Life to the Full** by Ten Ten Resources. Ten Ten is an award-winning Catholic educational organisation that is well-respected and very experienced in this field of work. Life to the Full has been approved by our diocese. Furthermore, Ten Ten have entered into a partnership with the Catholic Education Service and the Department for Education to provide training for teachers in Catholic schools on the subject of the new statutory curriculum. Therefore, we are confident that this programme is a very good fit for our school.

Through their programme, Ten Ten understand the foundational role that parents have in educating and nurturing their children on these matters. Within the programme, they have built in resources which will not only keep you informed about what is being taught in school, but will also give you the opportunity to engage your children in discussion, activity and prayer.

We would like to have your feedback on our approach, and particularly on the key decisions that we need to take regarding the teaching of certain topics. To this end, we have opened a consultation period during which we welcome your feedback.

Ten Ten have provided an online **Parent Consultation Tool**. This is a simple-to-follow, short online course which:

- Outlines the statutory changes that will take place.
- Articulates a vision for Catholic Relationships and Health Education.
- Explains how Life to the Full aims to help us fulfil the statutory curriculum with a Catholic ethos.
- Provides some information about key decisions we need to make, in consultation with parents.
- Answers some Frequently Asked Questions.

To take part in the consultation, please do the following:

Access the Parent Consultation Tool here:

www.tentenresources.co.uk/parent-consultation-primary

You will need the following login credentials for our school:

Username: [st-josephs-tq12](#)

Password: [hammer-nails](#)

Undertake the Parent Consultation course provided and then please complete the following questionnaire: <https://forms.gle/fBb5KLoUKPpUri5H8>

Please send us your feedback by Monday 13th July.

We hope that our approach not only assures you about the new subject we are going to undertake; we hope that this will be an important and exciting opportunity for our entire school community.