

St. Joseph's Home-School-Parish

Weekly Newsletter

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Dear Parents/Carers

The Scholastic Book Fair has arrived! Next week children will be able to browse the books during the school day and parents/carers can come in after school to purchase.

Have a lovely weekend and enjoy the warm weather.

Miss Long

Dates for your Diary

Monday 9th October – Month of the Rosary Assembly – All Parents/carers welcome 9am.

Thursday 12th October – Parent/carers reading KS2

Thursday 12th October – Quiz Night. All welcome 5pm-7pm

Monday 16th October – Black History Month Exhibition. All welcome 3.20pm

Thursday 19th October – Parents/carers reading. EYFS & KS1

Thursday 19th October – Open Afternoon. All welcome (pre-booked)

Thursday 19th October – All Day – World Clothing and World Food Day 3.30pm-5pm

Friday 20th October – Inset Day school closed to pupils

RE: Harvest Festival As part of our Harvest celebrations this year, we are inviting children and their families to donate produce to be distributed to those in need throughout the local community. We will be collecting for Greenwich Foodbank. We will also be donating to the Manna Centre, a centre which provides meals for homeless people in London each day. A large amount of their food each year comes from donations at Harvest Festival. We are asking each family to donate a minimum of one item, if they can, to support our special cause. Should you wish to donate please send in non-perishable goods that are still well within their best-before date. Children can start bringing items into school this week and next week up until Wednesday 13th October. Please bring them into where each class will be contributing to a class hamper, the class that produces the largest hamper will be rewarded with a special treat as a thank you for their efforts. As always, thank you in advance for your generous support.

Please see list from Manna Day Centre for items needed below.

Thank you



ST JOSEPH'S CHRISTMAS BASH

MONDAY 11TH DECEMBER

KS1 4-5PM	£2.50
KS2 5.30-7PM	£3.00

TICKETS WILL GO ON SALE EVERY TUESDAY AND THURSDAY FROM THE 6TH NOVEMBER AFTER SCHOOL PLEASE SEE CHARLOTTE ON THE MAIN GATE TO GET YOURS. WE DO REQUIRE HELP WITH SETTING UP AND TIDYING UP BETWEEN DISCO'S., IF YOU CAN ASSIST PLEASE LET CHARLOTTE YEAR 3 PARENT OR YOUR LET YOUR CLASS REP KNOW.



Thank you to all the parents who have signed up to be parent class reps so far. We really appreciate your support. Please see our new reps below:-

Reception	Asiah-Rose	Ms Nadine Burns
Year 1		
Year 2	Levi	Mrs Celia Kalyongwe
Year 3	Elsee	Mrs Charlotte Hayes
Year 4	Ava-Mae	Ms Jerusa Francisco
Year 5		
Year 6		

Our first class rep meeting will be after half term. If you would like to be a class rep see Miss Long or Ms Harvey or email support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk

Reminder if your child is absent from school please inform us on the 1st day of illness either by phone or support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk.

Hello Yellow

Tuesday 10th October 2023 is World Mental Health Day. The theme is 'Mental Health is a Universal Human Right.' To raise awareness of the day we are inviting all children and adults to wear yellow, the phrase for the day being "Hello Yellow 2023!"

The children will be participating in classroom activities which promote positive wellbeing and mental health, but most importantly to provide an opportunity for them to talk and be listened to.

Below are some useful resources for parents. They include looking after your own mental health and top tips when talking about mental health with your child(ren):

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/parents-guide-to-looking-after-yourself/>

<https://www.youngminds.org.uk/parent/parents-a-z-mental-health-guide/>

<https://www.mentalhealth.org.uk/our-work/public-engagement/world-mental-health-day>



School success starts with attendance

As a school we aim for pupils to achieve 100% attendance or as close as possible. Evidence shows strong attendance directly links to a child achieving their full potential. Through working together, we can ensure that your child receives a full-time education, through regular and structured attendance.

While it is understandable that there may be a number of legitimate reasons why your child's attendance may be affected, it remains essential that all children attend school as often as possible and are not absent for minor coughs and colds.

Keeping attendance above 95% allows pupils to achieve their potential.

Winners last week

Year 5 – 97.1%

School attendance 95.1%

95%	=	47 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 8 days in total or 1 week and 3 days
90%	=	95 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 16 days in total or 3 weeks and 1 day
85%	=	142 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 24 days in total or 4 weeks and 4 days
80%	=	190 LESSONS MISSED EACH YEAR 32 days in total or 6 weeks and 2 days

Rainbow Awards

6th October 2023

Rec – Faith, KIAMA

Year 1 – Charles, Heran

Year 2 – David, Kamilla

Year 3 – Sadie, Tyler

Year 4 – Tomi, Amelia

Year 5 – Emily, Millie

Year 6 – Alfie, Nuriyah

WELL DONE TO YOU ALL!

This Week



Asiah-Rose - YR

Nevaeh - Y4

Chelsea - Y6

Ronnie - Y1

Bluebell - Y1



To order your child's school uniform please order from our online supplier. It is free delivery to school. Caseys Schoolwear, Welling.

Guitar & Piano Tuition

darransmith@yahoo.co.uk 07740 529438

Dear Parents, I have worked at St Josephs R.C for 15 years, and I have very much enjoyed teaching hundreds of children how to play guitar and piano. I consider it a privilege to be able to work alongside the children to nurture a love of music and musicianship, build their self confidence, as well as the numerous other benefits that learning music provides. I have been able to teach each child individually, or in small groups, and continue with them as they start in lower school and leave in year 6. We held a concert at the end of last term, so hopefully your child/children were able to see the current students performing. There are currently spaces available for new students. Lessons - Are £8 per 15 minute session, £16 per 30 minute session, paid for in advance at the start of each half term. - Parents pay me directly in half term blocks, and I will email at the start of each half term to confirm cost. I am in school every week with the occasional exception. Each half term is generally 6 weeks but can be 5 or 7, so fees vary. Having worked this way in other schools for many years, I also know that there are advantages to being in contact with parents directly. I'm very happy to update parents on progress, and it also means that you can contact me at any time with questions. It's good for me to know how children are getting on at home, feedback from parents is very useful. I also email sheet music to parents directly, so you will know what your child has been learning and can help them with practice. Please contact me directly, or reply to the school office if your child would be interested in having either guitar or piano lessons.

MANNA DAY CENTRE

Harvest Festival list 2023

Needs in order of priority

(Most important items in bold type)

FOOD

Sugar
Tomatoes (Tinned)
Vegetables (Tinned)
Pasta
Rice
Pasta Sauces
Baked Beans
Meat (Tinned)
Corned beef
Chopped ham
Luncheon meats

Tinned Food

Soup
Fish
Stewed steak
Hot Dogs
Fruit

Non-Tinned Food

Curry Sauces
Porridge oats
Breakfast cereals
Tomato sauce
Jelly
Cooking oil
Biscuits

DRINKS

Coffee
Dilutable drinks
Tea

TOILETRIES

Bodywash
Soap
Deodorants
Shaving Foam
Shampoo
Disposable razors
Toothpaste
Toothbrushes

MEN'S CLOTHING

Jeans (Waist 30-38)
Jogging bottoms
Trainers
Fleeces / Hoodies
T-shirts
Shoes
Underwear
Trousers (Waist 30-38)
Coats

MISCELLANEOUS

Toilet Rolls
Tea Mugs
Oyster cards
(Unregistered preferably)

After School Football Club

Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and now Year 4

If you would like your child to attend please click the link below for more details:

<https://awfootball-coaching.class4kids.co.uk/info/168> If you would like more information please contact Alex on 0777 174 7219

Book your child's place via ParentPay from Tuesday 12th September. All after-school activities will start at **3:20pm** and finish promptly at **4:20pm**.

All Clubs will start the week beginning **18th September** 2023 and will be every week with the last club finishing the week beginning **8th December 2023** .

Year Group (s)	Club	Day	Adult	Max number of children
Years 3 & 4	Homework Club	Monday	D Bray	12
Years 3,4,5 & 6	Photography	Monday	Miss Francis	10
Years 3,4,5 & 6	Science Club	Monday	Miss Long	10
Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6	Film Club	Wednesday	Ms McMahon	15
Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	Spanish Club	Wednesday	Miss Lopez	10
Years 3,4,5	Forest School	Wednesday	Miss Kavanagh	15
Years 3,4,5 & 6	Drama	Thursday	Ms Harvey	20
Years 2,3,4,5 & 6	Lego Club	Thursday	Mrs Openshaw	20
Clubs – FREE				
Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	Chess Club	Friday Lunch time	Mr Spalding	10
Year 6	SAT's Booster	Monday 3.20-4.20	Miss Cafun	24

