

### St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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It was lovely to see parents come to our Tea and Talk morning and to read with the children in EYFS and KS1. These events help to bring our community together so we can support the children as well as each other. I hope to continue to build on this as the term goes on. Next week we will have the Mayor of Greenwich visiting and our Macmillan morning so I hope to see you there. If you haven't done so yet, please make sure you sign up to be a parent class rep and fill in the Parents as Partners form if you would like to volunteer at school. Thank you. Have a wonderful weekend.

Miss Long

COMMUNITY  
IS THE  
*foundation*  
TO SUCCESS

MacMillan Coffee Morning (Friday 29th September) Every year the school takes part in the MacMillan's World's Biggest Coffee Morning to raise money for those living with and affected by cancer. This year, we would like to invite you to get involved by taking part in our 'Bake off' competition. There will be three categories, children adults and staff, with prizes for the best decorated and tasting cakes. Cakes should be baked at home and brought into school on Thursday 28th September ready to be judged on Friday. Please remember to include the recipe and strictly no nuts. On Friday 29th we invite all parents and carers join us for tea and cake after Rainbow Assembly. (the children will remain in their classes) All donations will go to Macmillan. We welcome cake donations and your child will receive 5 house points. There will be a big cake sale for the children in the junior playground at the end of the day.



### Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September – Open morning 9am-10am. All welcome (pre-booked only)

Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September – 8.40am-9.10am  
Parents/carers reading KS2 parents

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September – Mayor visit & Macmillan Coffee morning. All Parents/Carers welcome 9am

Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – Grandparents Day Lunch (pre-booked only)

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> October – Parents/carers reading EYFS & KS1  
8.40am-9.10

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October – Tempest Photographers 9am – families and individual photos.

Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October – CAFOD Harvest Day Assembly – Parents/carers welcome 2.30pm.

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

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Parent/carers reading KS2

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October – Quiz Night. All welcome 5pm-7pm

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October – Black History Month Exhibition. All welcome 3.20pm

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

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October – Open Afternoon. All welcome (pre-booked)

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> October – All Day – World Clothing and World Food Day 3.30pm-5pm

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Inset Day school closed to pupils



On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September we will be having a special visitor to St Joseph's Cllr Dominic Mbang Mayor of Greenwich. He will be joining us to celebrate our Good Ofsted Report and see all the exciting things happening at St Joseph's. He will also meet with our School Parliament. Due to his visit **Rainbow Assembly will be held at 9.30 (just this week).**



Our Harvest Festival will take place on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October with a mass at St Joseph's church at 11 o'clock. Please come and join us. We are encouraging the children to each bring in a harvest festival non-perishable donation, tins, packs, boxes of food that are unopened and in date. If you would like to donate any items please send them in with your child before Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> October. On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> October we will also be raising money for CAFOD by 'Brighten Up The Harvest'. Children can wear their own clothes on that day and bring a voluntary donation of a pound for charity



## IFLY 02 – Indoor Skydiving

We will be selling raffle tickets priced £3.00 a strip from next week after school. The prize will be £100 worth of tickets (age 3 upwards). The voucher is valid until December 23.



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 Years Reception &**

**Year 5 – 100%**

**Both Classes Entered into in 100% Club**

**School attendance 95.9%**

## 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

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

## **Rainbow Awards**

22nd September 2023

**Rec – Ifunanya, Raayan**

**Year 1 – Rudhra, Toby**

**Year 2 – Elsee, Divine**

**Year 3 – Kevin, Sola**

**Year 4 – Maggie, Muhammed**

**Year 5 – On School Trip**

**Year 6 – Beau, Grace**

**WELL DONE TO YOU ALL!**

## **This Week**

**Trixie-Leigh – Rec**

**Jaiden – Y6**

**Willow – Y3**

**Shanaya – Y3**

**Mrs Baksh-Weston**

**Miss Cafun**



## **St George's Cathedral**

Ms Harvey and Mrs Openshaw attended the New Year Mass at St George's Cathedral with some of our pupils. Our pupils were excellent representatives of St Joseph's.



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.

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

All Clubs will start the week beginning **18<sup>th</sup> September** 2023 and will be every week with the last club finishing the week beginning **8<sup>th</sup> 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 McMahan	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
<b>Clubs – FREE</b>				
Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	Chess Club	Friday <b>Lunch time</b>	Mr Spalding	10
Year 6	SAT's Booster	Monday 3.20-4.20	Miss Cafun	24

Year 5 had a fantastic time at Cool Aeronautics 2023 - the Royal Aeronautical Society's President's Summit - The future of flight. They had a talk about the future of flight and then took part in lots of activities. They had a fantastic time and represented St Joseph's with pride.

**Class 100% Attendance Challenge**

Each class will receive a certificate and be added to the 100% club every time they achieve 100% attendance. In addition to this, when the class achieves...

Number of weeks of 100%	Reward
2 weeks	Extra play
3 & 4 weeks	Popcorn party
5 & 6 weeks	Extra entry to the 100% club

In June, we will draw from all the classes in the 100% club and the class that is picked will win a whole class outing in July.

**Which class will get into the 100% club first?**

First class in the 100% club will win a prize


