








Autumn 1 2023 – Newsletter

Year 3 – St Therese de Lisieux



Core texts for English Supplementary texts	The Wild Way Home by Sophie Kirtley Supplementary Texts: Stone Age Boy	
English focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Immersion in text and setting analysis. • Development of character. Drama and role-play. • Plan/draft and edit poetry from a character perspective. 	
Grammar focus	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determiners • synonyms for ‘said,’ • fronted adverbials of time, • writing in first person, • commas in lists, • identifying verbs (present and past tense), • apostrophes for (singular) possession, • correct use of ‘a’ and ‘an.’ • Organisational devices (headings, subheadings), • paragraphs, • expanded nouns phrases, • homophones • adjectives; shades of meaning. 	
Maths focus	<p>Place Value - Read and write numbers to at least 1000 in numerals and in words. Recognise the place value of each digit in a three-digit number (hundreds, tens and ones). Partition numbers in different ways. Compare and order numbers up to 1000.</p> <p>Addition and subtraction - Mental calculations. formal written method, solving number problems</p> <p>Multiplication and division – recall and use facts for the 3, 4 and 8 times tables.</p>	
RE focus	<p>Home – Domestic Church – Family. The Big Question – What makes a house a home?</p> <p>Promises – Baptism – Belonging. The Big Question – Why make promises?</p>	
Faith in Action	<p>MacMillan Coffee morning – Friday 29th September. Parents are invited to come into school and share tea and cake. Cake bake competition. Cake sale to be held after school.</p> 	   <p>CAFOD – Go Green Harvest Festival-children will donate food to give to the food banks in our local community</p>
Foundation subject topics - geography, science, computing, MFL, Music and PSHE	<p>Art – Stone Age art. Using chalks and pastels.</p> <p>PSHE – Health and wellbeing.</p> <p>History – The Stone Age.</p> <p>Science – Light.</p> <p>Computing - Online Safety.</p>	

	<p>Music – Symphony No.5- Beethoven (BBC Ten Pieces) MFL- Introduction to Spanish</p>
PE days (and kit expectations)	<p>Your child's PE day will be on a Tuesday (dance) and Friday (outdoor, weather permitting). Your child should wear their PE kit to school, with their school jumper on top. The PE kit should consist of a white t-shirt, navy or black bottoms and plimsolls/trainers. The school has to teach the National Curriculum and PE is a vital element of this. Participating regularly in physical activity is important to develop habits for a healthy adult life.</p>
Ways to help at home	<p>Please listen to your child read every day and discuss the text they are reading. As their books become more complex it is even more important they have the chance to discuss them with an adult. Please sign the reading record book and make a comment.</p> <p>Your child has their own account and password for 'Times Tables Rockstars'. It is important that they are able to recall number facts at speed to aid them with their daily maths work. If they are not yet confident this is a vital area to work on with them.</p> <p>Encourage your child to write at home, stories and letters or maybe they could keep a diary. Continue to borrow books of interest from the school and public library to find out all they can on this term's topics. You could also play a range of maths based games, such as Yahtzee or any games that involve using a dice. Discuss the rules and strategies that you use, explaining to your child what you are doing and why.</p>
Key dates	See below & website
Additional information	<p>If you have any questions, the school support email address is below</p> <p>School Support: support@stjosephs.greenwich.sch.uk</p>

Year 3 Team		
		
Mr Bray	Ms Clark	Mrs. Openshaw



St Joseph's

Autumn 2023 Dates

September 2023			
Date	Time	Event	Year Group
Wednesday 20 th September 2023		National Fitness Day	
Thursday 21 st September 2023	8.40am – 9.10am	Parents Reading	EYFS and KS1
Tuesday 26 th September 2023	9am – 10am	Open Morning	All Welcome – Pre booked only
Thursday 28 th September 2023	8.40am – 9.10am	Parents Reading	KS2 Parents
Friday 29 th September 2023	9am	Mayor visit & Macmillan Coffee morning	All Year groups – Parents Welcome
October 2023 – Black History Month			
Date	Time	Event	Year Group
Monday 2 nd October 2023	9am	Assembly Introduction to Black History Month	All Year groups
Monday 2 nd October 2023	11.30am – 12.15pm	Grandparents Day Lunch	See separate letter – Pre booked only
Thursday 5 th October 2023		World Teacher Day	
Thursday 5 th October 2023	8.40am – 9.10am	Parents Reading	EYFS and KS1
Friday 6 th October 2023		School photos	All Year groups
Friday 6 th October 2023	2.30pm Assembly	CAFOD Harvest Day	All Year groups – Parents Welcome
Monday 9 th October 2023	9am Assembly	Month of the Rosary	All Year groups – Parents Welcome
Tuesday 10 th October		World Mental Health Day	
Tuesday 10 th October		World Homeless Day	
Thursday 12 th October 2023	8.40am – 9.10am	Parents Reading	KS2
Thursday 12 th October 2023	5pm – 7pm	Quiz Night	All Welcome
Monday 16 th October 2023	3.20pm	Black History Month Exhibition	All Welcome
Thursday 19 th October 2023	8.40am – 9.10am	Parents Reading	EYFS and KS1
Thursday 19 th October 2023	2pm -3pm	Open Afternoon	All Welcome – Pre booked only
Thursday 19 th October 2023	All Day – World Clothing 3.30pm 5pm – World Food	St Joseph's World Food Day	Whole School
Friday 20 th October 2023	All Day	Inset Day	All Year Groups
23 rd Oct – 27 th Oct 2023	All Week	Half Term	All Year Groups
November			
Date	Time	Event	Year Group
Wednesday 1 st November 2023		All Saints Day	
Thursday 2 nd November 2023	8.40am – 9.10am	Parents Reading	KS2
Monday 6 th November 2023		UK Parliament Week	

Tuesday 7 th November 2023	8.45am – 9.30am	Tea and Talk	All Year groups – Parents Welcome
Tuesday 7 th November 2023	9.00 am – 10.00am	Phonics Workshop	EYFS and KS1 Parents
Thursday 9 th November 2023	8.40am – 9.10am	Parents Reading	EYFS and KS1
Thursday 9 th November 2023	5pm – 6pm	Open Afternoon	All Welcome – Pre booked only
Friday 10 th November 2023	9am	Remembrance Day Assembly	All Year groups – Parents Welcome
Monday 13 th November 2023		Anti bullying Week & Odd Socks Day	All Year groups
Monday 13 th November 2023		Maths Week	
Monday 13 th November 2023		Interfaith Week	
Monday 13 th November 2023		Road Safety Week	
Thursday 16 th November 2023	8.40am – 9.10am	Parents Reading	KS2
Friday 17 th November 2023	All Day	Children in Need – Wear Yellow or Dots (Own clothes day)	All Year groups
Monday 20 th November 2023		World Children’s day	
Thursday 23 rd November 2023	8.40am – 9.10am	Parents Reading	EYFS and KS1
Friday 24 th November 2023	All Day	Own clothes day – Bring a bottle for Christmas fair	All Year groups
Tuesday 28 th November 2023	3.30pm – 5.30pm	Parents Evening	Booked Appointments only
Thursday 30 th November 2023	8.40am – 9.10am	Parents Reading	KS2
Thursday 30 th November 2023	3.30pm – 6.30pm	Parents Evening	Booked Appointments only

All Christmas activity dates and times are provisional and may change. We will let you know of any changes nearer the time.

December – Advent			
Date	Time	Event	Year Group
Monday 4 th December 2023	3pm	Tree Lighting	All Year Groups
Tuesday 5 th December 2023	9am – 10am	Open Morning	All Welcome – Pre booked only
Thursday 7 th December 2023	8.40am – 9.10am	Parents Reading	EYFS and KS1
Friday 8 th December 2023	All Day	Christmas Jumper Day & Christmas Dinner Day	All Year groups
Friday 8 th December 2023	3.30pm – 5pm	Christmas Fair	All Welcome
Monday 11 th December 2023		Human Rights Day	
Tuesday 12 th December 2023	9.15am	EYFS/KS1 Nativity	EYFS/KS1 Parents
Thursday 14 th December 2023	8.40am – 9.10am	Parents Reading	KS2
Thursday 14 th December 2023	2pm	KS2 Nativity – Church	All Welcome
Tuesday 19 th December 2023	3.30pm – 5pm	St Joseph’s Talent Show	Pre booked Tickets and participants
Thursday 21 st December 2023		Class Parties	
Thursday 21st December 2023	2pm Finish	Last day of Autumn Term	All Year groups

Pupils return to school on Tuesday 9th January 2024