

St. Joseph's Home-School-Parish

Weekly Newsletter

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This week we had our first 'Read with your child' session with our EYFS and KS1 children. It was fantastic to see so many parents get involved. Feedback has been really positive. Please see photos on the website. We are looking forward to our KS2 parents/carers taking part next week.

Please look out for the NSPCC Number Day letter. We have some exciting things planned for 3rd February 2023.

Have a good weekend!
Miss Long

RE: Reading at St Joseph's

Reading is very important as it improves greater general knowledge and a wider range of vocabulary, fluency and understanding, improved attention spans as well as helps with confidence. Achieving good standards in reading is key to unlocking the rest of the curriculum and is an indicator of future success in further education and higher education.

To support and encourage your child, we are inviting all parents and carers into school to read with their children.

EYFS (Reception) and KS1 (Years 1 & 2) parents & carers:

Start Date: Thursday 19th January 2023

Time: 8:40am-9:10am

Location: Classroom

Frequency: Every other week

KS2 (Years 3, 4, 5 & 6) parents & carers:

Start Date: Thursday 26th January 2023

Time: 8:40am-9:10am

Location: Classroom

Frequency: Every other week

Timetable can be found on school website.

The First Holy Communion programme will be held at St Joseph's Church Pelton Road SE10



The sessions will start on Sunday 29th January 2023 and continue each Sunday except for school holidays until the beginning of June 2023.

The full programme of dates and the date of the First Holy Communion Mass will be available on 29th January and given to each candidate.

The sessions will begin at 11.00am until 12.00pm midday (when parents can collect their children).

Application Forms can be collected from the Church and must be completed and submitted to Deacon Duncan before the 29th January 2023.

Deacon Duncan will lead the small team of catechists for all the sessions. Candidates who miss more than 2 sessions may be asked to leave the programme as they cannot complete the full training programme.

There will be a Mass of Commitment for all candidates and their parents on Sunday 4th February 2023 at the 10.00am Mass at St Joseph's Church all candidates expected to attend.

Please can you all children making their First Holy Communion this year let the School Office know. Thank you.

Gospel – Matthew 4:12-23



When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and went to live in Capernaum by the sea, in the region of Zebulun and Naphtali, that what had been said through Isaiah the prophet might be fulfilled: *Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali, the way to the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles, the people who sit in darkness have seen a great light, on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death light has arisen.* From that time on, Jesus began to preach and say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea; they were fishermen. He said to them, “Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.” At once they left their nets and followed him. He walked along from there and saw two other brothers, James, the son of Zebedee, and his brother John. They were in a boat, with their father Zebedee, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left their boat and their father and followed him. He went around all of Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people.

RE: Year 6 Boosters

We're pleased to be able to inform you that your child is invited to attend booster classes, starting next week - week beginning Monday 16th January 2023. Although these classes are not compulsory, we strongly encourage your child's participation. These booster classes are being offered to all Year 6 children, for free, with a Maths and English focus. Children can choose to attend one, two or all three sessions. Early morning booster classes will include a light breakfast (ie croissants, fruit juice and or similar breakfast food).

Ms Harvey or Miss Holmes will be ready to welcome the children at 7:55am. The gate will close promptly at 8am ready for the session to start. Anyone arriving after 08:00 may not be able to easily gain access to the premises, given the early start time.

Day	Time	Teacher
Monday	3:20pm – 4:20pm	Miss Long
Wednesday	8am-8:40am	Mrs Harvey & Miss Holmes
Thursday	8am-8:40am	Mrs Harvey & Miss Holmes

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



This Week

Freya – Y4



To order your child's school uniform from our online supplier, click [here](#) with free delivery to school.

Rainbow Awards

20th January 2023

Rec – Ronnie, Liam

Year 1 – Elsie, Arthur

Year 2 – Yeshua, Francis

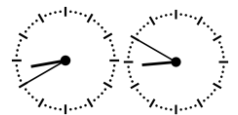
Year 3 – Aeva B, Michael

Year 4 – Amira, Millie

Year 5 – Nyla, Katerine

Year 6 – JJ, Gbemi

WELL DONE TO YOU ALL!



Arriving after **08:50** negatively impacts on social & academic development and does not allow for a calm and relaxed start to the 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.

Last week's Whole School attendance: 94.7%

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

Last week's highest attendance: Year Y4 – 99.1%

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

Number of Lates
09.01.23 – 13.01.23

Group	Lates
Reception	13
Year 1	20
Year 2	22
Year 3	12
Year 4	7
Year 5	11
Year 6	6

Gardening

With Spring approaching we are thinking about our outside areas. One area in particular is the area outside of the hall. The children will be thinking about how they would like to use it and may need volunteers to help make this happen. If you are able to spare anytime during lunchtimes or after school please leave your name at the office as we may be able to accommodate a gardening club. Thank you for your support.



Parent drop in

MEET THE HEALTH ADVISORS

- Our service is open to all families of school-aged children across Greenwich
- We advise and support child health issues such as healthy weight, toileting, fussy eating, behaviour, sleep and much more...

At this session, we will be discussing behaviour management.



Address: The Valley, Floyd Road, Charlton London SE7 8BL
Date: Wednesday 1st February 2023
Time: 10am to 11am

0208 317 6319

oxl-tr.younggreenwichhealth@nhs.net



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

All Clubs will start the week beginning **16th January** and will be every week with the last club finishing the week beginning **20th March**.

The cost for each after school club (for the whole term) is £20.

Year Group (s)	Club	Day	Adult	Max number of children
Years 1, 2, 3, 4 5 & 6	Art	Monday	Miss Kavanagh	15
Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	Dodgeball	Tuesday	Mrs Openshaw	20
Years 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6	Film Club	Wednesday	Ms McMahon	15
Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	Football	Thursday	External Provider	14
Lunchtime Clubs – FREE				
Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	Chess	Wednesday	Mr Spalding	14
Years 3, 4, 5 & 6	Homework	Thursday	Mr Bray	15