

St. Joseph's Home-School-Parish

Weekly Newsletter

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It's been a very calm week this week. Children have really focussed on their work and produced some really good pieces.

The after school clubs have been published please have a look. Spaces are going quickly.

We are starting to think about school trips for the Spring term for each class. It may be local or further afield. Please ensure the school office has your correct email address so that you can receive all correspondence. Please also ensure that you are able to log in to ParentPay.

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 – John 1:29-34



John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. He is the one of whom I said, 'A man is coming after me who ranks ahead of me because he existed before me.' I did not know him, but the reason why I came baptizing with water was that he might be made known to Israel." John testified further, saying, "I saw the Spirit come down like a dove from heaven and remain upon him. I did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water told me, 'On whomever you see the Spirit come down and remain, he is the one who will baptize with the Holy Spirit.' Now I have seen and testified that he is the Son of God."

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.

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

Day	Time	Teacher
	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

Jersiah – Y3

Xavier – Y1

Elsee – Y2

Miss Martin



Rainbow Awards

13th January 2023



Rec – Dennis, Dilay

Year 1 – Kyron, Phoebe

Year 2 – Ryley, Elsee

Year 3 – Muhammed, Jersiah

Year 4 – Abu, Lola Y

Year 5 – Freya, Francis

Year 6 – Frankie-Jay, Bradley

WELL DONE TO YOU ALL!

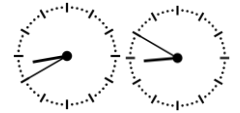
Good time keeping at our school means...



Poor punctuality – less chance of success

Very poor punctuality – serious impact on education and reduced life chances

DID YOU KNOW? If you are 15 minutes late each day you will have missed 2 full weeks of school in one year?



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.

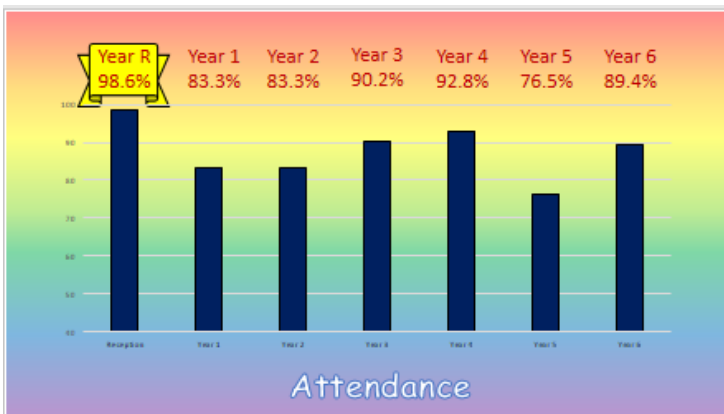
Last week's Whole School attendance: 87.6%

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

Last week's highest attendance:

Year YR – 98.6%

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



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.



YEAR THREE

Theo

YEAR FOUR

Carolina

YEAR FIVE

Katerine

YEAR SIX

Precious

This week's House Points total:

St George

218 244 305 203 315

St David St Bernadette St Francis St Andrew St George

Spring Term Total:

472 554 591 508 628

St David St Bernadette St Francis St Andrew St George

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

Rainbow Tea Party

This week the following children enjoyed a tea party for being chosen to go on the Rainbow bench.

Sienna – enjoyed doing drawing. Francis - enjoyed eating all the food. Phoebe – enjoyed colouring in. Jaiden B – enjoyed drinking the juice and playing in the tent. Jeneyah – enjoyed the tea party because there is lots to do.

All the child enjoyed being able to do drawing and eating with children from other classes.



SAT's Meeting for Year 6 Parents/Carers

Year 6 SAT's meeting for parents/carers will be held on Tuesday 17th January at 5pm in the school hall.