

Term 6 24th May 2019 - 19th July 2019

ST. JOSEPH'S
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Newsletter



Dear Parents & Carers,

We have had a very full and productive year with much to celebrate. Two of the highlights for me are the visit of Archbishop Bernard Longley to confirm our Year 6 children and the wonderful occasions that our Mothers' and Fathers' Day lunches were this year. We welcomed so many more of you into school and there was a wonderful, family atmosphere in school on those days. Our Year 6 pupils have performed very well in their SATs tests again this year and we are in line with national averages in all three areas of Reading, Writing and Maths. Our whole school book study on "The Promise" was also a hugely rewarding enterprise and proved a powerful tool in promoting the creative arts in school. The UKS2 performance of "Hagbane's Doom" was excellent and the solo performances breathtaking in their confidence and talent. It was great to see the children simply enjoying themselves so much and bonding together over a big joint project like this in their final weeks at St Joseph's.

Other key events are covered in the termly newspaper which our team of committed journalists have put together for you.

I am delighted that we are all staying together as a team for another year. I am very proud of my colleagues at St Joseph's and of the calm, purposeful, nurturing classrooms that they foster. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their dedication and boundless energy, their professionalism and good humour. There is always a sense of fun and excitement about our learning and your children are 'catching' this love for learning and communicating this to you too in their conversations at home. We hope that they will continue to 'grow their brains' over the summer; engaging in the Reading Challenge at the local libraries, practising their times tables and taking an interest in the world around them, even if that is just a trip to the park!

On a more mundane note, please read all the housekeeping notices in the newsletter. Please ensure that the children have all necessary uniform for the fresh start in September. In particular, I would like to draw your attention to the PE kit list as this is an area that we could improve upon. The children's shorts must be navy and the tops plain white. If jogging bottoms are worn these also must be navy only. Next year we will not allow children to compete in out of school festivals and activities if they are not wearing proper kit. It is really important for them to look like a team and to feel like a team. We are also going to investigate navy hoodies for children to wear for PE in the colder months and will communicate more about this in the new academic year.

I would like to wish you all a happy and safe holiday and we look forward to seeing you all again on Wednesday 4th September.

Best wishes,

Clare Smith



DATES FOR THE DIARY

September

Wed 4th—Start of Term 1

Tues 17th—Parents meeting about Learning Compass

Thur 26th—Cross Country event year 1-6

October

Tues 8th—Year 6 visit to St Chads Cathedral

Thur 10th—Year 3 and 4 football tournament

Tues 15th—Flu vaccinations Reception to year 6

Thurs 17th—Tag rugby session at Banbury RFC for years 5 and 6

Fri 25th—End of Term 1

Mon 4th Nov—Start of Term 2

Attendance and Punctuality

Attendance for Term 6

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| Term 6 Overall Attendance | 95.65 |
| Number of lates | 53 |
| Reception | 95.42 |
| Year 1 | 96.05 |
| Year 2 | 94.08 |
| Year 3 | 96.87 |
| Year 4 | 96.39 |
| Year 5 | 94.68 |
| Year 6 | 96.03 |

Attendance for the year—96.38%

FUNdraising News~

The FUNdraising Team would like to share with you that the Summer Fete raised a grand total of £724.70.

With these funds we are going to be purchasing books from the Jelly and Bean phonics scheme to help promote the children's language and reading skills. The books will be used in EYFS (Reception Class) and KS1 (Yr1 and Yr2). An outside storage unit will be bought for the EYFS garden. We will also be funding the Yr 6 leavers gifts.

We would like to say a really big thankyou for your continued support throughout this school year. We hope you really enjoyed the fete and if you were lucky enough to win one of our many top prizes, we hope you thoroughly enjoy it! We had great response from many local businesses that donated prizes for us.

We would really appreciate your feedback and suggestions for future events. We have received some feedback and ideas already which we value and take on board. Please don't hesitate in approaching us when you see us about; just stop us for a chit-chat. I hope we can put on some more fun events in the new school year so please come and join us.

Keep a look out on the FUNdraising Team notice board by the school gate.

The FUNdraising team has raised a running total of £2,310.30 this year. A massive thanks to you all in helping us make a difference.

We hope you all have a lovely summer break and hope the sun will shine for you all.

We look forward to seeing you all in September.

Best Wishes

The Fundraising Team

UNIFORM

School uniform is available to purchase from: Cross Embroidery,
Units 5 & 6 Lower Cherwell Street, Banbury, Oxfordshire, OX16 5AY
Opening Times for Cross Embroidery; Monday- Friday - 9.00am - 5.00pm Saturday - 9.30am
- 1.30pm

<https://www.crossembroidery.com/schoolwear/8-st-josephs-catholic-primary-school>

EYFS/KS1 GIRLS:

- Round neck sweatshirt/sweat cardigan with school logo
- White polo shirt
- Grey skirt or grey tailored school trousers- grey tights or knee length white socks
- A blue and white checked dress can be worn in the summer term



KS2 GIRLS:

- V neck sweatshirt/sweat cardigan with school logo
- White, reverse collar blouse or white shirt and school tie
- Grey skirt or grey tailored school trousers- grey tights or knee length white socks
- A blue and white checked dress can be worn in the summer term

EYFS/KS1 BOYS:

- Round neck school sweatshirt with school logo
- White polo shirt
- Grey or charcoal trousers and Grey socks



KS2 BOYS:

- V Neck sweatshirt with school logo
- White collared shirt and school tie
- Grey or charcoal trousers and Grey socks

P.E. KIT Reception—Year 6

- T-shirt and shorts
- Trainers must be worn for outdoor PE.



Children must have black plimsolls for indoor use. Carpet slippers are not considered to be safe in school and are not permitted.

ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR SHOULD BE CLEARLY MARKED WITH A PERMANENT MARKER.

Nail varnish is not permitted in school. Where worn, varnish will be removed by a member of staff.

Jewellery—It is school policy that no jewellery is worn in school for Health and Safety reasons. In Early Years' settings it is too dangerous for your child to wear any jewellery as it can get caught, especially earrings.

Please see below the term dates for the next academic year.

Academic year 2019-2020

| | September 2019 | October 2019 | November 2019 |
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| Sunday | 1 8 15 22 29 | 6 13 20 27 | 3 10 17 24 |
| Monday | 2 9 16 23 30 | 7 14 21 28 | 4 11 18 25 |
| Tuesday | 3 10 17 24 | 1 8 15 22 29 | 5 12 19 26 |
| Wednesday | 4 11 18 25 | 2 9 16 23 30 | 6 13 20 27 |
| Thursday | 5 12 19 26 | 3 10 17 24 31 | 7 14 21 28 |
| Friday | 6 13 20 27 | 4 11 18 25 | 1 8 15 22 29 |
| Saturday | 7 14 21 28 | 5 12 19 26 | 2 9 16 23 30 |
| | December 2019 | January 2020 | February 2020 |
| Sunday | 1 8 15 22 29 | 5 12 19 26 | 2 9 16 23 |
| Monday | 2 9 16 23 30 | 6 13 20 27 | 3 10 17 24 |
| Tuesday | 3 10 17 24 31 | 7 14 21 28 | 4 11 18 25 |
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| Friday | 6 13 20 27 | 3 10 17 24 31 | 7 14 21 28 |
| Saturday | 7 14 21 28 | 4 11 18 25 | 1 8 15 22 29 |
| | March 2020 | April 2020 | May 2020 |
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| Friday | 6 13 20 27 | 3 10 17 24 | 1 8 15 22 29 |
| Saturday | 7 14 21 28 | 4 11 18 25 | 2 9 16 23 30 |
| | June 2020 | July 2020 | August 2020 |
| Sunday | 7 14 21 28 | 5 12 19 26 | 2 9 16 23 30 |
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Bank holidays

Dec 25th

Dec 26th

Jan 1st

April 10th and 13th

May 8th and 25th

Inset Days

Sep 2nd

Sep 3rd

Jul 20th

Jul 21st

Jan 6th 2020