



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 8th November 2024

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Go, shine in
the world



Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our **Equality Studies curriculum**, the children enjoyed learning about many of the important issues surrounding Racial equality including Black history, Gender equality and tolerance of others. Children learnt about important people who made a difference to racial equality such as Nelson Mandela, Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King. They learnt about Malala Yousafzhi's message of religious tolerance as well as challenging gender stereotypes and the struggle for women's voting rights. Children developed their understanding of fundamental British values of mutual respect and tolerance of others as well as democracy.

We are looking forward to seeing you for our Family Fancy Dress Disco from 6pm this evening.

With best wishes, Ms O'Donovan (Head of School) and Ms Richardson (Executive Headteacher)

Equality Studies



I have received and read the St Joseph's Catholic Primary School newsletter on **08.11.24**

Name of child _____ Class _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND YOUR CHILD MIGHT WIN A PRIZE :)

Applications for Nursery and Reception class for September 2024...

Do you have a child looking for a place in Nursery or Reception class for September 2025 or do you know anyone that has?

Applications for both classes need to be completed by **15th January**. An application form can be picked up from the school office or downloaded from our website. Parents applying for Reception need to also apply online via eadmissions.org.uk and should select 6 schools in order of preference.

A reminder that parents of children already in our Nursery class still **must apply** for Reception. You are not automatically guaranteed a place in Reception.

Ms O'Donovan is running parent tours, which can be booked via the office, to talk to prospective parents about the school and to answer questions about applications.

Do spread the word to your friends and families about our wonderful school!

Important Dates for your Diary...

Monday 11th November

Remembrance Day Assembly

Anti-bullying week

Tuesday 12th November

Partnership Football Tournament

Thursday 14th November

Parents Working Alongside Children in Year 1

Thursday 21st November

Parents Working Alongside Children in Reception

Friday 29th November

Non uniform Day- bring in £1 for charity

Monday 9th December

Pantomime in school

Wednesday 11th December at 10am

Nativity performance for parents of Reception and Year 1 children

Thursday 12th December at 10am

Nativity performance for parents of Year 2



The winner of the Friday newsletter slip prize this week is **James in Year 2**. James has won a £10 gift voucher to spend at Waterstones.



Attendance...

Congratulations to Year 1 who were celebrated in assembly and received our attendance trophy for having the **best attendance in the school this week. The class attendance was 97.14%**. Please make sure your child is in school every single day unless they are very unwell.



Work of the Week...

Year 6 have been learning about a range of people throughout history who have fought for **equality**. We learnt about Nelson Mandela's fight against apartheid in South Africa and about Mahatma Gandhi's fight for freedom and equality in India. We then discussed the similarities and differences between Mandela, Gandhi and Jesus, looking at how each person believed in peace and forgiveness. Joshua researched and recorded information about each individual, and discussed how they showed tolerance, determination, peace and forgiveness. He wrote an interesting poem about things that once seemed impossible and about his hopes for the future.

Joshua demonstrated deep thinking, neat bookwork and a passion for equality.

Well done Joshua!



Our Prayer for Equality

Dear God,

Thank you for making each of us unique and special. Help us to remember that everyone deserves to be treated with kindness and respect, just like the brave people we've learned about.

We think of the suffragettes who fought for women's rights, Nelson Mandela who stood up for freedom, and Rosa Parks who showed courage by sitting for justice.

Please give us the strength to stand up for what is right, just like they did. Help us to see the good in everyone and to treat others the way we want to be treated. **Amen**



Don't let a little worry turn into a big one...

If you or your child are worried about something or have any questions, please phone the school office and book an appointment to see their class teacher, Mrs Stewart or Ms O'Donovan.

