



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 15th November 2024

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Go, shine in
the world



Dear Parents and Carers,

What a busy week of visits and visitors it's been here at St Joseph's! Year 5 and Year 6 took part in a 'Growing against Violence' workshop, Year 1 had some animals visit them as part of their science topic, Year 4 took part in an art workshop led by the National Gallery and on Thursday, Year 5 visited the Francis Crick Institute.

It was also Anti-Bullying Week this week. The children took part in an assembly explaining the different types of bullying and most importantly, what to do if anyone experiences it themselves or sees it happening to someone else. We know that bullying can take place anywhere and that it's how we respond to it that's important. Do talk to your child about this.

Enjoy your weekend, Ms O'Donovan (Head of School) and Ms Richardson (Executive Head of School)

Football tournament

Children from Years 5 and 6 competed in the Autumn combined Catholic School's Partnership football tournament. St Joseph's girls and boys played three other schools throughout the day.

All the students represented the school with excellent sportsmanship, skill and determination. Overall, the girls' team finished fourth and the boys' team finished second.

Ms D and Mr Magill were pleased and hope that our school can participate in more combined schools tournaments in the future. All the children at St Joseph's are encouraged to continue practising their skills.



I have received and read the St Joseph's Catholic Primary School newsletter on **15.11.24**

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...

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 **Olivia Taylor Year 3**. Olivia has won a £10 gift voucher to spend at Waterstones.



Attendance...

Congratulations to Year 5 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%**. Please make sure your child is in school every single day unless they are very unwell.



Our Prayer for Remembrance Day

Lord God,

We remember those who stood for love and truth and thank you for the sacrifice they made.

We pray for other countries where children live in fear and there is war and fighting.

Please help to make things better, and bring peace to them.

Amen



Work of the Week...

This week, Ria in Year 5 has been chosen as our Work of the Week star.

Year 5 have been discussing, building knowledge and learning about diversity during their equality studies. The children learned about the story of Emmeline Pankhurst and her brave ambition for women to have the same right to vote as men. Ria wrote an excellent biography about Emmeline Pankhurst and the suffragettes.

When reading Ria's writing, you will notice the way she uses many questions to provoke thought and includes facts to enhance the reader's experience. Her teachers are very proud of the effort Ria has put into improving her writing this year.

Well done Ria!



What a joy it was to welcome families to our annual Fancy Dress Disco last Friday. It was wonderful to come together for some fun! I've added a special page of photos to this newsletter for you to enjoy...

