



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

Friday 10th January 2025

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the world



Dear Parents and Carers,

Following the letter sent out on Monday, we remind you that our beloved Parish Priest, Fr. David, passed away over the Christmas break. **His funeral service will be held next Thursday at 11am.** We invite all members of the community to join us in honouring his memory and celebrating his life.

Best wishes, Ms O'Donovan (Head of School) and Ms Richardson (Executive Head of School)

Parents Working Alongside Children Throughout this half-term, we are inviting parents in to join their children in **Geography** lessons. It's a wonderful opportunity to see first hand what your child is learning. A special thank you to the Year 6 parents who joined us this week. Your involvement is greatly appreciated!



ATTENDANCE EVERY DAY COUNTS!



Expected attendance means having no more than seven days off this school year!

As you know, regular attendance at school is crucial for your child's academic success and overall development.

Ms O'Donovan and Ms Stewart will be meeting with parents again this term about attendance.

We encourage all parents to prioritize their child's attendance and ensure they come to school every day, ready to learn. Your support in this matter is greatly appreciated and makes a significant difference in your child's educational journey.

Spring Term Learning Update

Today, you will have received information about what your child will be learning during the Spring term. This guide is designed to help you stay informed and engage with your child about their school activities as the term progresses.

Be sure to check out the section at the end, which provides valuable tips on how you can support your child's learning at home. A strong partnership between home and school truly makes a difference!

As always, reading with your child daily remains the most important activity you can do to support their education.



I have received and read the St Joseph's Catholic Primary School newsletter on **10.01.25**

Name of child _____ Class _____

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

Exciting News: Our New School Website is Live! www.stjosephs.camden.sch.uk

We are thrilled to announce that our new school website is now live! The updated site features a fresh design, improved navigation and a wealth of information to keep you informed and engaged with our school community.

We encourage you to explore the new website and take advantage of all the resources available. Your feedback is important to us, so please let us know if you have any suggestions or comments.

Important Dates for your Diary...



Monday 13th January

After School Enrichment

Clubs and Booster Sessions start this week

Thursday 23rd January

Parents Working Alongside Children– Year 4

Thursday 30th January

Parents Working Alongside Children– Year 1

Friday 31st January

Non-uniform day. Bring in £1 for charity

Thursday 6th February

Parents Working Alongside Children– Year 2

Thursday 13th February

Parents Working Alongside Children– Year 4

Monday 17th February– Half –term

The winner of the Friday newsletter slip prize this week is **Arabella in Year 5**. Arabella has won a £10 gift voucher to spend at Waterstones.

Attendance...



Congratulations to Year 3 who were celebrated in assembly and received our attendance trophy for having the **best attendance in the school this week**. The class attendance was **99%**

Please make sure your child is in school every single day unless they are very unwell.

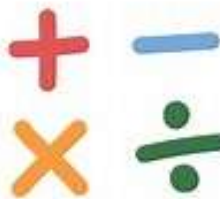
Work of the Week...

Every week a brilliant piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office). This week's brilliant piece of work is by Kian in Year 6.

In Maths, Year 6 have been learning how to add, subtract, multiply and divide fractions. We learnt that there are two ways to divide fractions, by dividing the numerator by the whole number or by multiplying the denominator by the whole number. Kian demonstrated a clear understanding of both methods and completed a range of questions. Kian worked hard to ensure his calculations were both accurate and neat.

What excellent work-

Well done Kian!



Prayers for Father David



This week pupils have been writing their own beautiful prayers for Father David. Here is just one of them:

Lord God,

We are all so truly thankful for Father David and all the love, care and comfort he provided to each person who came his way.

We pray with a heavy heart knowing that he was a gold-hearted man whose teaching helped those who needed to find the right path which was once cloaked in darkness.

His stories touched all of our hearts and we are more than certain that someone like Father David will never be forgotten; he will always have a place in the parish community's heart.

Please give strength to his family, friends and anyone who is experiencing deep sorrow during this time.

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.

