

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newsletter

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Go, shine in
the world



Dear Parents and Carers,

At St Joseph's we take every opportunity to encourage and promote a healthy lifestyle and improve children's levels of physical activity. One of the ways in which we do this is our annual **Healthy Heart Day**.

On **Thursday 3rd October, Year 1 to Year 6** will be taking part in their Healthy Heart Day! This is a sponsored event involving the children joining in with Healthy Heart activities throughout the day including **circuit training, Bollywood dancing, Zumba, skipping** and **making a healthy snack**. We are all really looking forward to it. Thank you for sponsoring your child.

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

Year 1 History: A Visit to the Transport Museum

Year 1 were thrilled to see a wide range of vehicles— from old-fashioned trains to futuristic cars, gaining a deeper understanding of how transport has changed over the years.

The workshop 'Finding Our Way Home' brought their learning to life, sparking curiosity and excitement about the world of travel.

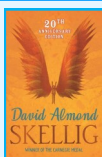


Reading Lessons: Parents Working Alongside Children

Reading is the most important lesson of the day and we are inviting parents in to see these lessons in action this term.

This week Year 6 parents joined us for a 'Destination Reader' lesson where they focused on making inferences from the text *Skellig* by David Almond.

Parents always find these sessions really informative and helpful so do keep an eye out for your invitation to this coming up this term.



Year 5 History: Experiencing a Viking Community and Excavating Artefacts



I have received and read the St Joseph's Catholic Primary School newsletter on **27.09.24**

Name of child _____ Class _____

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

Attendance...

Congratulations to **Nursery** who were celebrated in assembly and received our attendance trophy for having the **best attendance in the school this week**.
The class attendance was 100%
Please make sure your child is in school every single day unless they are very unwell.



The winner of the Friday newsletter slip prize this week is **Jingwen in Year 3**.
Jingwen has won a £10 gift voucher to spend at **Waterstones**.



After School Childcare Providers...

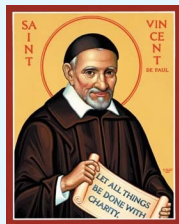
We continue to work with **Dragon Hall** –our after school childcare provider. They can collect children from school at 3.30pm and provide childcare in a play setting until 6pm.
Please ring Dragon Hall on **020 7404 7274** for more information.

A message from Coram's Fields Play Centre...

We offer care during term time for children aged 4 years (who are in reception class) up to 12 years. We collect children from school, bring them back to the centre, offer a light snack and then they have opportunities to play inside or outside in our 7 acre park! During term time the service closes at 6pm **If this is something you would be interested in, please do let the office know and we can begin to arrange this for after half term.**

Prayer

O Lord my God, Teach our hearts where and how to find you. You have made us and re-made us, and you have given us all the good things we have. Teach us to seek you. Let us find you by loving you and loving others.
Amen



Important Dates for your Diary...

Thursday 3rd October
Healthy Heart Day
Thursday 10th October
Parents working alongside children in Year 5
Tuesday 15th October
Governor visit day
Thursday 17th October
Parents working alongside children in Year 4
Thursday 24th October
Parents working alongside children in Year 3
Friday 25th October
Non uniform day– bring in £1 for charity
Monday 28th October– Friday 1st November
Half Term



Work of the Week...

In Year 4, students have been thoroughly engaged in reading and analysing the book **Wolves in the Walls**. This text has provided a rich platform for exploring descriptive language and developing writing skills. Children have been creating diary entries inspired by the book, using the "show, don't tell" strategy to make their writing more engaging and vivid. They have focused on choosing thoughtful vocabulary and crafting sentences that paint a picture for the reader. **One student who has particularly shone in this area is Betsy.**

Throughout the week, Betsy has shown excellent listening and participation, always engaging thoughtfully in class discussions and contributing her ideas. She demonstrated a keen ability to explain her understanding of the text and carefully selected descriptive words to bring her diary entries to life. For example, her use of words like "squabbling," "howling," and "dwelling" added depth to her writing, helping readers visualise the tension and emotion of the scenes.

Well done, Betsy!
Keep up the fantastic work!



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.

We are always really pleased to meet with you and chat things through.

