



Dear Parents

Welcome back after the half-term break. We are looking forward to a busy half term. Please look at key dates to save in your calendar on the other side of this newsletter. This week was Equality Week at St. Joseph's. The children had a fantastic time learning about many of the important issues surrounding Racial and Gender Equality, Social Justice (including votes for women and the Suffragette movement) and British Values.

Equality week is about getting the children to think and talk about these issues and about inspirational people who 'live, love and learn through Jesus', including Rosa Parks, Malala Yousafzal, Martin Luther King, Mother Teresa of Calcutta and Nelson Mandela.

With best wishes Mrs. O'Reilly and Mrs. Jackson

We live,
love and
learn
through Jesus.



Restoring St Joseph...

In September, we moved our beautiful statue of St Joseph to the front entrance, so that he can be seen every day. This statue has been at our school for over 30 years, but as you can see from the photograph below he has sustained some damage over the years.

In order to get St Joseph restored to his former glory, we would like to hold a Christmas Jumper Day on Wednesday 16th December. The children can donate £1 to wear their Christmas Jumper and raise funds towards this restoration. This donation, and others, will be very welcome. Thank you



Dear parents, it would be very helpful if you wore face coverings when you drop off and collect your children. Although we cannot enforce this, we would very much appreciate it.

Current government guidance still states that Primary teachers and support staff are advised not to wear face coverings. We have received complaints from some parents and the general public that some parents are not social distancing by 2 metres at the beginning and end of the school day. Please ensure that you collect your children and leave the local area quickly.



Our school website address is www.stjosephs.camden.sch.uk

I have received and read the St Joseph's Primary School newsletter of 06.11.2020

Signed _____ Name of child _____ Class _____

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

Important dates for your diary...

WB 16th November - Anti-bullying week
Friday 27th November - Non uniform Day
Tuesday 24th November - School photograph day
Monday 7th December - Reception and Nursery Christmas Party
Tuesday 8th December - Y1 Christmas Party
Wednesday 9th December - Y4 Christmas Party
Thursday 10th December - Y3 Christmas Party
Friday 11th December - Y2 Christmas Party
Monday 14th December - Y5 Christmas Party
Tuesday 15th December - Y6 Christmas Party
Wednesday 16th December - Christmas Jumper day

The winner of the Friday Newsletter slip prize this week is **Harrison** in **Year 2**.

Harrison has won a £5 gift voucher to spend at Waterstones.



What to do if your child develops symptoms of coronavirus...

If your child is displaying symptoms of coronavirus at home or is sent home by the Head of School with coronavirus symptoms, you must arrange a test for them immediately and inform the school of the result. Children displaying symptoms will not be able to return to school without being tested.

1. To arrange a test you should visit [nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test](https://www.nhs.uk/ask-for-a-coronavirus-test)
2. **DO NOT WAIT!** Your child should be tested on the same day they are showing symptoms, or the next day at the latest.
3. Please let the Head of School (Mrs O'Reilly) know immediately when you receive the result of your child's coronavirus test by calling the school office on **020 7242 7712**
4. If your child tests positive for coronavirus, you will receive a text, email or phone call from NHS that explains what your result is and what you need to do next.
5. If your child tests negative for coronavirus, your child can return to school.

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19)



new and continuous cough

or



high temperature

or



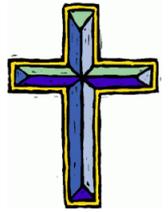
loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

Our Prayer...

Loving Father,
Listen to the prayers of your children and answer them according to your will.

Keep us close to your love, and ever ready to great Christ when he returns in glory.

We ask this in the name of Christ our Lord.
Amen



Non-uniform Day - money raised

On October 23rd the children had their first non-uniform day and donated very generously to Plan International.

They raised £123!

The two children we are now sponsoring are Zeddy, who lives in Kenya with his parents and two brothers, and Francisca, who lives with her mother, brother and grandmother in Brazil.

We will share more information about these two children in school and our children will also have the opportunity of writing and receiving letters from them.

Thank you again for your kind generosity.

Work of the week...

Every week a great piece of children's work is showcased in the school lobby (next to the office).

This week, **Edom** from **Year 6** has been chosen for his writing about unity and equality focusing particularly on Nelson Mandela, Mahatma Ghandi and Jesus.



Edom was able to link these key figures to the qualities of tolerance, determination and forgiveness, whilst using high level vocab.

Well done, Edom!

