



The Federated Schools of St Joseph's Catholic
Nursery, Infants and Juniors



Weekly Newsletter

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Friday 28th January 2022

Upcoming Dates

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we have taken a moment to reflect on the 'Wednesday Word' from Dom Henry Wansbrough on God's Love:

God's love is without limits. In this Sunday's Gospel, we are reminded that God's chosen people were not chosen just to enjoy God's love for themselves. They were called to be the starting point from which God's love would spread to all people. But when Jesus told people about God's love, he did not always receive a warm welcome. God loves each one of us equally and unconditionally. His love for us is unlimited and God is forever searching out people to whom he can show his love. If we are willing to turn to God, to accept and experience his love, the happier we become. Enjoy a very special time together this evening, hearing your child's thoughts about this Sunday's Gospel and this Wednesday's words, which are GOD'S LOVE.

This week, I have attached a copy of the 'Wednesday Word' for you to share with your children at home. As both a parent and Headteacher, the idea that God loves us all unconditionally and equally is very close to my heart. When my own children make a mistake, before issuing any reprimand or consequence, the first thing I do is remind them that I love them. We will then talk through what has happened, consequences and reasons for any misbehaviour and this often reflects similar conversations that I and staff have with children in school. We all make mistakes, but knowing that we are loved and wanted, makes children feel safe knowing that we are loved beyond our mistakes is important to building self-esteem, confidence and having the ability to learn from these mistakes and grow.

Have a wonderful weekend,

God bless

Mrs D'Souza and all the staff at St Joseph's

PE Days

Reception: Thursday

Bridges: Wednesday & Thursday

Attenborough: Wednesday & Friday

Mandela: Wednesday & Thursday

Year 3: Wednesday & Friday

Year 4: Tuesday & Friday

Year 5: Tuesday & Friday

Year 6: Wednesday & Friday

Nurse Drop in sessions at infants

8th February 2022

Non Uniform Day

25th February 2022

25th March 2022

29th April 2022

27th May 2022

Bank Holidays

Friday 15th April 2022

Monday 18th April 2022

Monday 2nd May 2022

Monday 30th May 2022

National Storytelling Week

Week beginning Monday 31st January 2022

Chinese New Year

Tuesday 1st February

The year of the Tiger!

Safer Internet Day

8th February 2022

Half Term Break

Monday 14th February – Friday 18th

February 2022

Science Week

11th March – 20th March 2022

Easter Holidays

4th April – 18th April 2022

Feast Days

1st February – St Brigid

2nd February - Candlemass

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London, E10 7BL (020 8539 3000)

St Joseph's Catholic Junior School, Vicarage Road, Leyton, London,
E10 5DX (020b 8539 5971)

Recent Updates

Infant School After School Club Activities

Please take note that you can continue to book a place for your child on the after school club activities on ParentMail. All clubs started on Tuesday 11th January 2022 and continue this week. Please ensure you pick up your child on time on the playground.

Junior School After School Club Activities

We started our After School Club Activities this week which were:

Monday – Year 3/4 Mixed Football, year 3/4 Book Club, year 3/4 Computing

Tuesday – Year 5/6 Boys Football, Year 3/4 Book Club, Year 5/6 Computing

Wednesday – Year 5/6 Book Club

Thursday – Year 5/6 Netball, Year 5/6 Book Club, Year 3/4 Arts and Crafts

Friday – Year 5/6 Girls Football, Year 3/4 Italian club

Junior Redecoration Project

We are pleased to say that you will begin to see some developments to the entrance to our junior school parent waiting room and corridors in the oncoming weeks as we begin the first phase of our redecoration schedule. Thank you to our new caretaker, Mr Smart, who has been working diligently to help give the office reception area a little bit of a face lift. We cannot wait to see what it looks like in a few weeks' time!

Sickness and Absence

Please call the school office **every day** that your child is sick or absent from school. Messages can be left on the answer machine or you can also log your child's absence on ParentMail. If you do not contact the school when your child is absent, you will receive a phone call from the school office in line with our safeguarding procedures. If your child has tested positive for Covid-19, please make the school aware as soon as possible.

Nurse Drop-in Session at Infants

The next drop-in session with the school nurse will be on Tuesday 8th February 2022 from 2pm-3pm. If you or your child would like an appointment to see the nurse, please pick up a registration form from the school's office. The nurse can only see a limited number of people so please book by 2pm on Monday 7th February. Appointments will be given on a first come basis.

Please be reminded that the Drop-in sessions are held every second Tuesday monthly (term time only).

Birthdays

Happy birthday to Bohdan, Olivia, Blake, Ivan, who celebrated his birthday this week!



Attendance

Well done to 3RC for having the highest attendance this week- 97% Keep it up!



Office Hours

Please be aware that the school office opening hours are now from:

8:15 am to 3:15 pm

If you need to report an absence, please contact the school office on 020 8539 5971.

Safeguarding

Please remember that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility and schools have a responsibility to promote and protect the welfare of our children. If you have a concern regarding the safety of any child, please speak immediately to a member of our school safeguarding team. Any discussions are treated in confidence.

The designated Safeguarding Team at **St. Joseph's Infant School** is:

Mrs Subebe	Assistant Headteacher
Ms Lykoura	Key Stage 1 Phase Leader
Mrs Nogales	EYFS Phase Leader

The designated Safeguarding Team at **St. Joseph's Junior School** is:

Mrs Le	Year 3 & 4 Leader
Mrs Carmody	Year 5 & 6 Phase Leader
Mrs Poku	Year 5 class teacher

In the event of a safeguarding emergency, please contact the MASH team at Waltham Forest.

Telephone: 020 8496 2310
Email: MASHrequests@walthamforest.gov.uk

Holy Communion

Please collect a Holy Communion form from the Junior school office if you would like your child to make their Holy Communion this year. You need to supply a copy of your child's baptismal certificate with your application even if they were baptised at St Joseph's. The first parents meeting for this year's programme will be held on Saturday 29th January 2022 at 12noon in the church. Please bring along the £15 subscription fee. Registration is still open up until 11th February 2022.

Junior School Hall Letting

We are able to let of our junior school hall on a Saturday morning for anyone who is interested in using the space for a club or for a children's party. If you are interested in hiring the hall, please contact the junior school office on 0208 539 5971.

Key Stage Two Library Visits

KS2 will continue with their library visits this term. The children have thoroughly enjoyed going to the library so please remember to send your children into school with their books and library cards on their allocated days:

Monday	Year 5 Seacole at 9:30am
Monday	Year 5 Angelou at 2:00pm
Tuesday	Year 6 Matisse at 9:30am
Tuesday	Year 6 Tubman at 2:00pm
Wednesday	Year 4 Class 1 at 9:30am
Wednesday	Year 4 Class 2 at 2:00pm
Thursday	Year 3 at 9:30am

Updated Parent and Carers Details

If you have recently moved or changed any of the contact details that we have on file for you (telephone and or email address), please ensure that you update these with us.

Star Pupils

Congratulations to those children who have gone above and beyond in their learning this week. Great job and keep up the good work!

3RC : Marivic, Azarni

4T : Matthew, Zofia

4K : Oscar, Scarlett

5A: Adriyel, Gracee

5S: Jakub, Oliwia

6H: Erel, Julia

6T: Loderya, Bohden

