

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

## Weekly Newsletter

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Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2022

#### Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have been continuing with our theme of kindness in the build up to Lent with the motto 'actions speak louder than words'. Showing people that we care is much more valuable than telling them. Next week we will begin our Lenten Project to show how our acts of kindness are 'growing' around the school and at home

Kindness is so important in our world today and sharing acts of kindness go far beyond the walls of our schools and homes. This week we pray for all those affected in Ukraine and Russia. We pray for peace and harmony in the hearts and minds for all those in positions of power and that conflict will cease. If you or members of your family have been affected in any way through these turbulent times, please do not hesitate to speak to a member of staff

Parent consultations begin week commencing March 7th 2022. We want to have face to face meetings this term but kindly ask you not arrive any earlier that your allocated time as you will not be allowed into the school.

- Juniors- Please look out for an email inviting you to book a 10 minute slot.
- Infants Please book your 10 minute slot on Parentmail

I have been having ongoing meetings with the borough and the Diocese to continue to plan renovations to the Junior school site which I look forward to sharing with you in the oncoming weeks. Teachers and TA's have also been working hard to revamp their classrooms. Next week, the school councillors will be visiting classes to judge the new book reading corners. A prize will be awarded to the best reading corner in Infants and Juniors.

Next week is Book Week! Please remember that children need to dress up in their book themed costume on Thursday 3rd March. Please bring in a £1 donation on Thursday 3rd which will contribute towards buying books for the school.

We wish you a peaceful weekend,

God bless,

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

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#### **Upcoming Dates**

#### **PE Days**

Reception: Thursday
Bridges: Wednesday & Thursday
Attenborough: Wednesday & Friday
Mandela: Wednesday & Thursday
Year 3: Wednesday & Thursday
Year 4: Tuesday & Friday
Year 5: Tuesday & Friday
Year 6: Wednesday & Friday

#### **Non Uniform Day**

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

### Science Week

11th March – 20th March 2022

#### **Easter Holidays**

4th April – 18th April 2022

#### **National Book Day**

Thursday 3rd March

#### **Sponsored Read-a-Thon**

Monday 17th January- Thursday 31st March

#### **World Book Day Dance Workshop-Infants**

Monday 7th March 2022 (please pay £2.12 on Pay+)

#### Recent Updates

#### **World Book Day Dance Workshop-Infants**

Please note there will be a whole school world book day dance workshop on Monday 7th March 2022. Please pay £2.12 on Pay+ by Monday. If you have yet to do so.

#### **Infant School After School Club Activities**

Please take note that there are still some places available to book on some of the clubs. Please do so on ParentMail. All clubs will continue after the half term break.

#### **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 Arts and Crafts Friday – Year 5/6 Girls Football, Year 3/4 Italian club Clubs will continue after the half term break.

#### **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.

#### **Sponsored Read-A Thon**

Please be reminded of the sponsored read- a- thon that is running up until Thursday 31st March 2022 for the Infant and Junior schools. The children who raise and/or read the most books in each Phase Group will receive prizes.

#### **Birthdays**

Happy birthday to Malgorzata, Leila Nevaeh and Tomas who celebrated their birthday this week!



#### **Attendance**

Well done to 4T for having the highest attendance this week- 98.7% 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

#### **Recent Updates**

#### 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 020 8539 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 & Golden Book

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

3RC : Jamie-Lea, Martyn

4T: Elina, Jake

4K: Jabari, Sloan

5A: Gracee, Neddy

5S: Maison, Goda

6H: Elisha, Julia

6T: Loderya, Kacper

**3RC**: Dhurvan, Candice, Alex

4K: D'Andre, Michelle, Amber, Lorenzo

4T: Nel, Daryna, Alexandra, Ivan

5A: Nadia

5S: Michelle, Tyler, Jack, Amelia, Aleksander,

Salvijus

6H: Erel, Ronan, Anna, Acacia, Julia, Axel.

6T: Bohdan, Michael, Zephan, Emilia.