



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

Weekly Newsletter



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Upcoming Dates

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, we were delighted to extend our 'Book Week' with our dance workshops across the infants and juniors. Each class took part in a fantastic dance workshop based on popular books and stories. The children thoroughly enjoyed the day and even the teachers joined in the fun!

During assembly on Monday, we continued with our theme on kindness and talked about how we are 'anti bullying' schools. We discussed how bullying can include name calling, purposefully excluding others and is the ongoing verbal and physical abuse of another person which can take place online, as well as in person. As a Catholic school, we follow the guiding principles of love, trust and respect, and our children show great kindness to one another. If you do however have any concerns regarding your child, please do not hesitate to contact the school and speak to your class teacher in the first instance. Likewise, we will always contact parents if we feel we have any concerns about your child's behaviour in school. We closely record and monitor any instances of bullying in the school and want our schools to stay a 'bully free zone'.

Finally, a very big thank you for all your donations for our Ukraine crisis appeal. Each day we are hearing more devastating news and your donations will go a long way to helping those most in need. We have been overwhelmed by your kindness and generosity in the last few days. We are fortunate to have some volunteers within our own parent community who are working hard to collect, box and transport all the donated items to those in need both close to home and in Ukraine. We continue to keep all those affected in our thoughts and prayers during this turbulent time.

Have a restful weekend, God Bless.

Mrs D'Souza, Mrs Subebe 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

Non Uniform Day

25th March 2022 - CAFOD
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

Inset Day

19th April 2022 – school closed to pupils

Sponsored Read-a-Thon

Monday 17th January- Thursday 31st
March

Spring Term Consultations

Monday 14th March – Rosen/King
Tuesday 15th March – Thunberg

St Patricks Day

Thursday 17th March

St Joseph's Day

Saturday 19th March

World Poetry Day

Monday 21st March

Birthdays

Happy birthday to Adam, Nicolas and Dijon 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

Leaving Soon

After many years at St Joseph's, we would like to inform you that Mrs Rosemarie and Mr Couch will both be retiring from the juniors at the end of this term. Mrs Rosemarie has been a Teaching Assistant and Playleader at the school for 15 years and has always been on hand to support when and where needed. She is a familiar face to many children and families throughout the years. We would like to thank her for all her hard work and commitment to the school and wish her the very best for her retirement. Many of you will also know Mr Couch, our Systems Manager, who also wears many different hats across the school. He works tirelessly behind the scenes ensuring the smooth running of the school and his support has certainly been invaluable since I was appointed as head of the Junior's. Mr Couch's commitment to the school has been unwavering and we will be sad to see him leave at the end of March. Although both Mrs Rosemarie and Mr Couch have a few weeks left in school, we would like to take this opportunity to notify parents as they are both long established staff who have worked in the school.

Junior School After School Club Activities

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 4 Arts and Crafts

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

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.

Uniform

We would like to remind you of our school uniform policy. This uniform list is attached to this newsletter. As well as looking smart and presentable, studies show that wearing a uniform improves pupils' behaviour both inside and outside school. It also aids concentration in class. We are all happy and proud to be part of our St Joseph's family and we want to make sure we are all wearing our school uniform with pride and unity. If you or your family are having any difficulties with purchasing school uniform, please do not hesitate to see speak to a member of staff.

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 next week. 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.

Holy Communion

If you have registered your child for the 2022 First Holy Communion Programme, the next class will take place on Saturday 12th March 2022 at **10am-11:30am for Group A** and **12pm-1:30pm for Group B (in the Jubilee Centre)**. The children are to attend the 12 O'clock Mass on the 13th March 2022.

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 : Angela, Malachi

4T : Daryna, Ivan

4K : Jabari, Sloan

5A: Gracee, Neddy

5S: Maison, Goda

6H: Billion, Michaela Tyron, Aisosa

6T: Billion, Michaela

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.

