



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



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Friday 12th May 2022

Dear Parents and Carers,

The last two weeks have been a whirlwind of activity across the schools and it is lovely to see the achievements the children are making on a daily basis no matter how big or small.

In Year 1 and 2, the children have thoroughly enjoyed learning all about the artist and his work as one of their new art projects in the new curriculum introduced this term. Looking at style and technique, they have produced some humorous and colourful artwork and were able to talk enthusiastically about their work.

Today, we clapped our Year 6 children as they entered the hall in recognition of their hard work and commitment to completing their SAT's this week. We are very proud of all they have achieved in quite a challenging two years. Tests are never a true measure of a person's worth but a snapshot taken in time as this poem so beautifully explains:

*SAT's do not measure sports
SAT's do not measure art,
SAT's do not measure music,
Or the kindness in your heart.
SAT's do not see your beauty,
SAT's do not know your worth,
SAT's do not see the reason
You were placed upon this Earth.*

*SATs do not see your magic,
How you make others smile,
SAT's don't time how quickly, You can run a mile.
SAT's do not hear your laughter,
Or see you've come this far,
SAT's are just a tiny glimpse,
Of who you really are.
So now that SAT's are over,
And you have sat the test
Remember SAT's aren't who you are,
Remember you're the best!*

Thank you to all the class teachers and staff who supported the children throughout the week, especially Ms Menske who had the majority Year 6 in breakfast club this week!

Thank you to all the staff and parents who continue to make our schools such a wonderful place to be.

God bless,

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

Upcoming Dates

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

27th May 2022

Cakes and Drinks Sale

20th May 2022
27th May 2022

Bank Holidays

Monday 30th May 2022

KS2 SATS Week

Week commencing Monday 9th May 2022

Half Term Break

Monday 30th May 2022- Friday 3rd June 2022

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Week Commencing Monday 6th June

Year 4 Multiplication Tables Check

Week Commencing Monday 6th June

Nursery New Parent Meeting

Monday 13th June 2022

Reception New Parent Meeting

Wednesday 15th June 2022

Year 3 New Parent Meeting

Thursday 16th June 2022

Recent Updates

Year 6

A huge Well done to all the year 6's for completing their SAT's this week!

School Nurse Drop-in Session (juniors)

The next drop in session takes place on Tuesday 14th June 2022 from 2:15pm- 3:15pm. If you or your child would like to see the nurse, please book an appointment with the office.

Holy Communion

If you have registered your child for the 2022 First Holy Communion Programme, the next class will take place on Saturday 14th May 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 15th May 2022.

Census Day

Parents please note that Census Day will be on Thursday 19th May 2022. Please ensure that your child is at school and on time.

Italian Day

On 27th May 2022, The Junior School will be holding its Italian Day. Parents please take note that the children are encouraged to dress in the Italian flag colours or in any Italian traditional clothing.

Month of May

This Month is the Month of May where we commemorate our Lady. In the Junior school we have a Rosary group who volunteer to pray the rosary each week. You might like to join in at home using the link below:

CAFOD Pray the Rosary : <https://cafod.org.uk/Pray/Pray-the-rosary>

Uniform

We would like to remind you of our school uniform policy. 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.

Junior School Summer Uniform

Please remember that all children should now be in their summer uniform. This will be the blue polo shirt with the school logo for boys and blue and white summer dress for the girls. Boys should not come to school in shirts with their tie loosened as previous years. We pride ourselves in how we present ourselves for school as well as allowing comfort for the children. The boy's polo shirt is much more comfortable to wear in the summer than a shirt and tie in hot weather. School uniform can be purchased at the school's office.

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.

Birthdays

Happy birthday to Nathan E who celebrated his birthday this week! And a Happy birthday to Amelia P and Kacper N, who will be celebrating over the weekend!



Attendance

Well done to Tubman for having the highest attendance this week - 98.0% 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

Donations for Ukraine

Please can you continue to send in any donations of nappies, medical supplies and baby formula for Ukraine after half term. We continue to keep all those affected in our thoughts and prayers.

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!

Star Pupils

Thunberg: Angela & Matteo

Teresa: Nel & Jake

King: Alexandra & Victor

Angelou: Krishnan & D'Julina

Seacole: Aleksander & Faith

Matisse: Leon & Thomas

Tubman: Emelia & Kayo

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Golden Book

Thunberg: Roza, Camilla, Kevin

King: Oscar Victor, Misbah

Teresa: Alex, Ameerah, Daryna, Mirabel

Angelou: Jaiden, Naomi, Grace

Seacole: Tyler, Michelle, Jack

Matisse: Whole class

Tubman: Whole class

Photos

This week, Class 4K participated in some role-play based on some of the scenes, from the book they're reading, called the saga of Erik the Viking!



Thank you King for sharing your learning with us this week!