Friday Flyer

Friday 14th March 2025

Headteacher Awards



Compassion: Enoch (Year 6) for showing compassion to others each morning at the school gate.

Kindness: George (Reception) for being kind to others.

Headteacher Weekly Message

This week, Year 5 had a Road Safety workshop which has made them think more when they are out and about and crossing roads. In school, the children have enjoyed the use of the playground and field at lunchtimes – thank you for the welly boots! Some of our Year 5 and 6 pupils have been skiing in Italy – we are very proud of them as they have all mastered the slopes and have impressed the instructors with their behaviour.

Today, we say goodbye and good luck to Ms Moyce. Ms Moyce is a dedicated LSA who has a variety of skills including signing which she will be using in her new job. We are pleased to have Mrs Young and Mrs Camplin joining our team. Mrs Young will be working in Year 1, supporting all the children and in Breakfast Club and as a Midday Assistant. Mrs Camplin will be working in Reception Class 1:1 with a child.

As you know, the Christ the King Federation devolved on 31st January 2025. I am pleased to let you know our new governing body for St Joseph's:-

Chair of Governors – Ms Carroll, Vice Chair – Mr Farrugia, Foundation Governors – Fr Matthais, Mrs Thomas, Mrs Read, Mr Johnston and Mr Rodrigues, Parent Governor – Mrs Palmer, Associate Members – Mrs Spooner and Mr Blackman. We are thankful for all our governors who give so much time to the school. We do have a vacancy for an additional parent governor (this has been emailed separately to you). Please do consider if you have the time and skills to be the second parent governor. Have a lovely weekend, Miss North.



Wonder Questions

How do you think Peter felt as he looked at Jesus shining?

Why did Jesus choose to show just three of his friends this moment?

Catholic Life and Mission

This week the children learnt about the Transfiguration - (Luke 9:28-36). The children were able to discuss what a momentous experience this was for Jesus' friends. We are encouraged during this time of Lent to fast and give service.



This week we continue to pray for Pope Francis.



Pre-School: All Children

for having such fun doing lots of experiments and learning new things for British Science week.

Reception: Primrose

Primrose is working really hard with her listening skills and is joining in with all of our class activities!

She is always kind to others and shares her games and ideas.



- **Year 1**: **Sofia,** for coming into school and working hard, creating a detailed booklet on the special people Jesus met using Luke's Gospel.
- **Year 2**: **Eliza,** for consistently being a very positive and ambitious learner. Her determination to master new calculations and letter joins has led to great progress this week. Very well done, Eliza!
- **Year 3: Sonny,** for participating in our singing practices with such enthusiasm and singing so beautifully. Well done!
- **Year 4**: **Amelie,** for her dedication to learn all her lines and solo songs for our upcoming performance so efficiently and beautifully. We're very proud!
- Year 5: Isabella, for being extremely helpful in class.
- **Year 6: Amiyah**, for being a fantastic role model for others.

William de Ferrers School Sports Partnership Cross Country Partnership Finals

On Tuesday, 11 pupils represented St. Joseph's at the William de Ferrers Cross Country Partnership finals. The team of; Megan, Finley, Alfie, Mila, Freddie, Jacob P, Jack, Brody, Ethan, Gracie and Joe again ran brilliantly in this much larger, more competitive event.

Most of the children ran as individual runners in their events and achieved the following positions; Alfie – 36th out of 59 runners, Finley – 38th out of 59 runners, Megan – 37th out of 54 runners, Mila – 8th out of 47 runners, Jacob P – 26th out of 55 runners, Freddie- 44th out of 55 runners, Jack – 16th out of 49 runners, Ethan – 35th out of 49 runners, Brody- 40th out of 49 runners, Gracie- 29th out of 49 runners and Joe- 33rd out of 51 runners. Very well done to all of you, it was a fantastic achievement to qualify for the Partnership Finals, we are very proud of you all.

A big thank you to Miss North, Mrs Newman and Mrs McSweeney for helping me manage the team and warm the children up for their races. Thank you also to all the parents who came to support the team. Very well done to all!

Mrs Hillier



St Joseph's Science Week

We have all participated in British Science Week throughout the week! Activities have ranged from making rainbows in Pre - School to investigations with the transference of energy in Year 6. We celebrated our science successes in a whole school assembly on Friday morning where children presented their findings and explorations.

Thank you to everyone who has prepared and celebrated first hand science!

Mrs Alison Huish Science Coordinator.

Road Safety session

Year 5 have had a visit from the Safer Essex Road Partnership. The students learnt about the sort of dangers they will face as pedestrians, cyclists or as a passenger and how they can keep themselves safe.

Year 5 took part in a practical roadside session where they put the Green Cross Code into practice and were all Road Safety superstars crossing the road.

Early Years children and parents learnt together how to stay safe, hold a grown-up's hand and use the Green Cross Code.

Encouraging your children to share what they have learnt, and your repetition of the Green Cross Code can help their road safety.

Remember Think, Stop, Look, Listen!

For more information, please visit www.saferessexroads.org



PTA News

Total raised this academic year: £1915.22

We appreciate all your support. Thank you!

We are currently fundraising for:

- 1) A bank of 6 ipads for each class. £329 per ipad, £1,316 per class.
 - 2) A greater range of books for more able readers £500

Attendance

Reception Class	94%
Year 1 Class	93%
Year 2 Class	94%
Year 3 Class	92%
Year 4 Class	97%
Year 5 Class	95%
Year 6 Class	99%

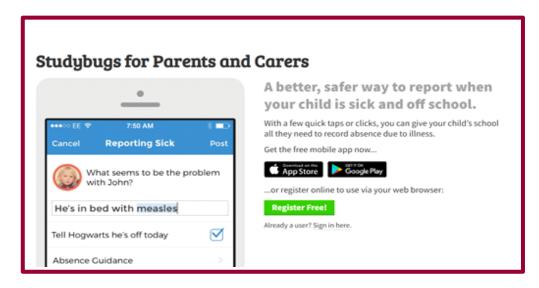
The whole school aims for 96% attendance.

Notices

Should I send my child to school, if they are ill?

During the winter months we are seeing an increase in children being off school because they are unwell. We support you, as parents to decide what is best for your child, but the guidance below is useful. Alongside this guidance, please support your child's health, by ensuring that they are getting all the vitamins and minerals they need to stay healthy. Where appropriate, consider whether your child could come back to school a day or so earlier when they have been off with a cold/cough.

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Diary Dates:				
2:00pm 4 th March	Year 3 Library visit			
10:00am 5 th March	Ash Wednesday Mass in Church – parents welcome.			
9:30am 5 th March	Year 2 Library visit			
Thursday 7 th March	World Book Day			
10:00am 18 th March	St Joseph's Feast Day Mass in the Church – parents welcome.			
9:15am 27 th March	Come and Celebrate KS2 – Year of the Jubilee focus.			
9:15am 25 th March	Year 5 Class Assembly			
9:15am 1st April	Year 3 & 4 Easter Play to parents			
9:15am 29 th April	Year 1 Class Assembly			
9:15am 20 th May	Year 4 Class Assembly			
9:15am 25 th June	Year 2 Class Assembly			
9:15am 2 nd July	Year 3 Class Assembly			
9:15am 15 th July	Reception Class Assembly			

SNAP Information Network

Remember to take a look at our Information Network to find out what else is happening across Essex for families with children and young people with additional needs and disabilities.





St Joseph's After School Club



Children will be able to access a range of age appropriate activities and crafts. A healthy snack and drink will also be offered.

Session timings and cost

3:20 -4:15pm - £5.00

3:20-5:00pm - £7.00

3:20-5:30pm - £9.00

3:20-6:00pm - £12.00

If you would like your child to attend, please contact the school office,