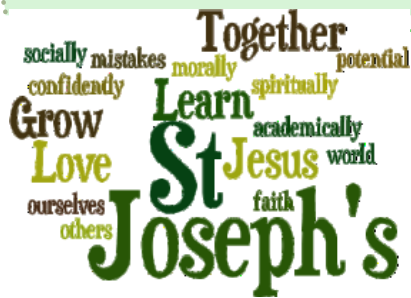


5th July 2024

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newsletter



Gospel Reading for
Sunday 7th June
Fourteenth in Ordinary Time
Mark 6: 1-6



Headteacher Message

Monday was different. We had a new headteacher for the day- Miss Blacha. The day started with a Rocksteady Concert which was very loud. Parents were invited. They took videos and pictures of all the bands performing on the stage. Year 6 were on a school trip so they did not do the Rocksteady Concert, but it was an amazing concert. After the concert, Mrs Lovegrove and myself went on a Learning Walk to check the learning in school.

First, we went to Preschool and they were playing with sea animals! Some of the children were listening to a story that a teacher was reading. Then we went to Year 1. They were discussing a story that they were going to act out in front of the whole class. Both classes were acting out the story. Year 2 were rehearsing in the hall so we did not visit them. Year 3, 4 and 5 were all learning about different maths topics. They were very quiet and focused on their learning. We also went to the library with some of the Year 1 children to help them chose books at the correct Accelerated Reader level.

*They were good readers! In the afternoon, I met with the office staff to discuss the upcoming events in the school. They are very organised. I had a great day!
(written by the new Headteacher)*



As part of our on-going self-evaluation, we welcome the views of parents and carers. Please take a few moments to click on the link below and complete the annual parental questionnaire. All responses must be submitted by the 12th July 2024.

[Parental Survey 2024](#)

Attendance

Attendance—Week Ending 5th July 2024

CLASS	%	CLASS	%
RA	93.1	RB	98.0
1JB	98.8	1EB	95.2
2E	92.8	2F	96.7
3GS	93.1	3D	90.9
4D	99.2	4H	96.0
5G	98.5	5C	98.0
6W	90.1	6MT	91.5

*The highest class attendance this week was
4D with 99.2% Well done!*

HOUSEPOINTS THIS WEEK (RUNNING TOTALS)

St David 103 (554)	St George 79 (510)
St Andrew 111 (724)	St Patrick 126 (618)

Thursday 18th—St Andrew's house to wear own clothes (something blue) as a reward.

Read Write Inc

The final RWInc group sessions of the year took place today. The final scheme books have been sent home (for this year) and are due back in school on Tuesday 9th July.

For the next two weeks the children will continue to have daily phonics sessions in their year groups which will focus on sound knowledge, letter formation and spelling.

If you have RWInc books at home that should have been sent in during the year please can you send these back to school next week as we will be carrying out an audit of our resources and ensuring that we have the appropriate materials ready to make a prompt start in September.

Over the course of the next few weeks Mrs Barugh will be carrying out final assessments for all the children so that they are appropriately grouped for September.

The Year 1 phonics screening results will be issued alongside the end of year report and Year 2 pupils who re-took the test will also have their results issued at this time.

As we have said on many occasions reading is the absolute key to academic success and we firmly believe that children need to keep up rather than catch up! To this end we would recommend that over the summer it would be really beneficial to keep up some practice with phonics. Please refer to the website—children tab—subject areas—RWInc where you will find lots of resources to support you.

Olympics Themed Days

A reminder to everyone that we will be having Olympic themed days on 16th—17th July.

All curriculum subjects taught on these two days will relate to the up coming Olympics.

The children can come to school in their PE kits on both days. Please ensure that you refer to the school uniform policy for PE and that your child(ren) are in the correct sports kit.

End of Year Reports

We are just doing the final checks of our end of year school reports.

As you will appreciate the sending out of these is a huge administrative task. To this end, the office will stagger the sending out of reports over the next week and a half and they will be sent out one year group at a time.

Year 2—Trip to Discovery Centre

Last Thursday, Year 2 went on their school trip to The Lookout Discovery Centre. They enjoyed a fun packed day of Science and a workshop all about bugs before heading off into the woodland to find their own bugs and identify what they were. Finished off with a lovely play in the outdoor park. A fun day was had by all!



Year 2 Moving On Liturgy



Year 2 have had a wonderful time practising their songs and words for their Moving On Liturgy. They enjoyed showing off things that they have made in Year 2 and reminiscing on their time in Reception and Year 1. Well done on a lovely liturgy and we wish you luck as you move into Year 3.



Reception Trip—Hertfordshire Zoo

On Wednesday, Reception got packed and ready and headed off to Hertfordshire Zoo! The children were very excited and started their day in the World of Dinosaurs section where they saw Triceratops, Velociraptors & the mighty T-Rex! We then stopped for lunch and made our way over to the animals. Although the weather was wet, the animals still came out to say hello! The children were so well behaved and had the best day!



CAFOD Workshops



This week St Joseph's was joined by two volunteers from CAFOD. The children learnt all about those who are in need all around the world and Catholic Social Teaching. It was wonderful to hear how CAFOD help in different ways.



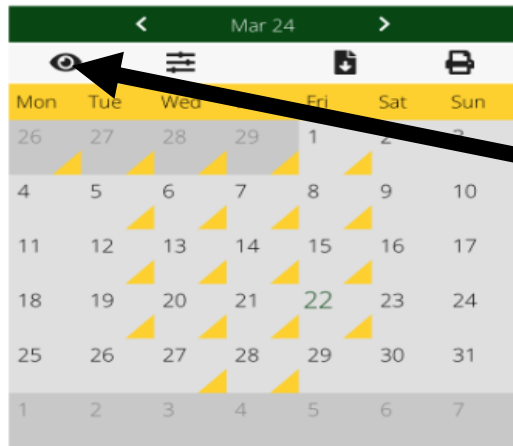
Reception Trip—Hertfordshire Zoo

Reception performed their end of year assembly to parents this week. They delivered their lines with such confidence and really showcased the wonderful journey they have been on in Reception. The growth we have seen from them throughout this year has been wonderful and they are so ready and very excited to start Year 1.



SCHOOL KEY INFORMATION

Calendar



Following feedback regarding the calendar view on the School App, we have adjusted the capability to view events.

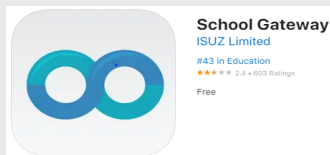
Please click on the eye symbol above the calendar and events will open up for you.

Please be aware that the calendar is being constantly updated—so keep an eye on it for events.

Email communications are sent to you via

Schoolcomms

To ensure **text messages** are received, please visit the [App Store](#) to download



Enter your email address and mobile phone number that you have set up for school.

A PIN number will be sent to you and text messages will appear via this App.

**WITHOUT THE APP YOU WILL NOT
RECEIVE TEXT MESSAGES**

Social Media

Make sure that you keep up to date with all the wonderful and interesting things we are doing in school by regularly checking in to

facebook / twitter (X).

There is now so much information on our social media platforms and Miss Minoli is adding new things all the time.

FOLLOW US



Have a lovely weekend

St. Joseph's School

