



St Joseph's St Edmund's and Catholic Primary Schools



St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School- Newsletter 1- 17th September 2021

Dear Parents,
Welcome back to a new school year at St Joseph's School. The children have returned eager and happy, quickly settling back into routines and the rhythm of the school day. I am impressed how calmly they accept any adaptations to the school day, seating or playtimes. As I walk around the school there is a purposeful and focussed atmosphere.

I have been particularly impressed with the year 6 children, who have grown in confidence and maturity since last term and have been leading the singing in assemblies and setting high standards of behaviour and conduct as they walk around the school and go about their tasks.

The adorable reception children have settled in so quickly; they have attended assemblies and played alongside the other classes at playtimes. They have adapted to focussed learning and in just two weeks are so much more independent.

We are a vibrant learning community and I know that Covid has been so challenging for school and parents but if we continue to support one another we will thrive and grow stronger. Please don't hesitate to contact me via the school office if you need advice or help.
Thank you for your adaptability and kindness. Mrs Price



The Feast of the Our Lady of Walsingham 24th September

In 1061, an Anglo-Saxon noblewoman, Richeldis de Faverches, had a vision of the Virgin Mary in which she was instructed to build a replica of the house of the Holy Family in Nazareth in honour of the Annunciation. Richeldis had a shrine built to remind everyone of the Annunciation. Today, this is known as the 'Slipper Chapel'. In medieval England many pilgrims travelled to this site and it was known as England's Nazareth. It remains a deeply spiritual place for contemplation and prayer to Our Lady Mary.

**Blessed Mary, as a young woman you became a mother and supported your son Jesus throughout his life. Your life inspires us as we face our own challenges in life. Help us to support and care for others as we journey together.
Amen**

- **Friday- 17th September- Non-uniform day to celebrate reaching our reading targets.**
- **Friday- 24th September- Wear something Green for Cafod and bring 50p to show our support and help countries in the developing world adopt more sustainable ways of living.**
- **Friday 1st October- Family Fast Day/ Harvest Celebration - Bring a tin for the local foodbank to support those in our community who are in need and are struggling financially.**

Sports Clubs in school

We welcome back Maxim sports on Tuesday and Friday. Sudbury Gymnastics Club on Wednesday and Thursday. The children will change after school for these clubs.

Extra- Curricular Activities

- Starting 30th September 3.20-4.00pm KS2- School Choir with Miss Mortimer in Samson Class.
- Starting 27th Monday lunchtimes KS2- 12.10-12.35 Mini Vinnies- -Mrs Price in Solomon Class
- Starting 28th Tuesday lunchtimes KS2 12.10-12.35 Mini Medics- Mrs Gudgin in Samson Class

Be humble, be simple and bring joy to others. Sister Madeleine Barat

Mass Attendance 10am Mass in Church either Tuesday or Thursday

- Tuesday October 5th Y4
- Thursday October 14th Y3
- Thursday October 21st Y6
- Thursday 4th November Y5
- Tuesday 9th November Y4
- Thursday 18th November Y3
- Thursday 25th November Y6
- Thursday 2nd December Y5
- Tuesday 7th December Y4
- Thursday 16th December Y5

A full risk assessment has been carried out. The children arrive and leave after parishioners and sanitise on arrival and departure, they sit upstairs away from parishioners.

This Year's Class Representatives for School Council voted for by the children in their class

Noah Class



Jude and Evalyn

Moses Class



Oscar and Beatrice

Elijah Class



River and Beatrice

Abraham Class



Lexi and Noah

Solomon Class



Adam and Florence

Jonah Class



Katie and Joel

Samson Class



Orla and Dillan



Well done Evan Y4 for being awarded a football trophy.

Requests

Please check your child's hair regularly for NITs! We have had one case so far this term and don't want anymore!

Please remove earring on PE days.

Please don't park irresponsibly, on paths or curbs and not over drive ways. Some of the residents have informed school that an area that has been set aside for a 'Captain Tom' community garden on the corner of Beaconsfield Close is being parked on. I have reassured them that parents from this school would not do this!

Please send in Data collection sheets so we have up to date information.

Reading Challenge Children

Each year libraries in the area organise a summer challenge, this year the challenge was to borrow six books over the holidays. There were lots of children who participate across the school, but these children brought in their certificates and medals to share with the school community.



Class Teacher's Introduction Presentations

We were hoping that we could hold this meeting face to face in school this year, but in order to keep our community safe instead they will be available online. In the presentation the teachers will explain routines and procedures, curriculum expectations, homework and assessment. It is really important that these are watched and digested by parents and if any questions contact the school office. These will be available on the Federation site from **Thursday 23rd September.**

More Important Deadlines and Dates

- **Realise Futures Maths Course- Book by Monday 20th September**
- Check your child's **Learning Intentions-** out this Friday for the following week.
- **Data Collection** sheets completed and returned by at the latest **Wednesday 22nd September**
- Flu Immunisation Consent -latest **Friday 25th September**