St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 8th September 2023



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Welcome back!

I warmly welcome everyone back to school. I hope your child is well rested and ready for a fantastic year of LOVING, LEARNING AND BELIEVING. I also welcome new members of staff who are beginning their careers at St. Joseph's. Over the summer holidays we had two building projects central heating upgrade in the Upper Phase buildings and new roof and toilets in the Nursery. Both overran and one is still ongoing as you can see by the scaffolding. Both projects have meant a huge amount of pressure on the premises staff and I extend my gratitude to Mr. Brophy, Mr O'Rourke and the premises team for their 'unseen' work. The school looks fabulous compared to a couple of weeks ago.

Chair of Governors

Welcome back and a warm welcome to children and staff who are joining us this term. I hope you have all had a restful summer holiday and are ready for the new school year. We are looking forward to working with our school community and to another successful year at St Joseph's.

Anita Marshall, Chair of Governors on behalf of the Governing Body

Meet the Teacher

Apologies again for the late notification by letter. The date was on the website calendar so I hope that you were not too inconvenienced. In any case, the teachers whom I spoke with said that their sessions went well. It is always important to hear our expectations for your children. If you were unable to attend the meetings, the information is/will be available on the class pages on the website.

Sunday 18th July 2023

Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20



Fraternal correction within the Christian family

Jesus said to his disciples, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of vou are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church: and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector.

"Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

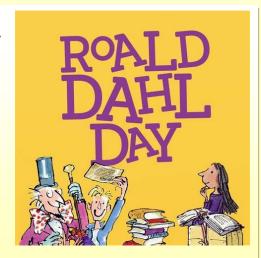
Mass and Liturgy for the start of the school year

Years 3 to 6 attended Mass to celebrate the beginning of the school year. Fr. Cristiano welcomed us to the Church and reminded us about how special Our Lady is. The readers did very well and the singing of the hymns was lovely. Children in Year 1 and Year 2 stayed in school to celebrate their liturgy and that was also lovely. Thank you to all who made the mass and liturgy extra special.



Upcoming Roald Dahl Day

As per the calendar, and like in previous years, we will be celebrating Roald Dahl's birthday on Wednesday 13th September. Children (and staff) may come into school dressed as a Roald Dahl character from the book the children are focusing on or any another Roald Dahl book character. See the flyer at the back for more information or look on the class pages.



Safer Streets

Although we are a 'Safer Street' with fewer vehicles allowed in the mornings and afternoons, I am horrified by the amount of parents and children walking along the middle of the road. Please use the pavements.

Secondary School Visits

Parents of children in Year 5 would do well to note the open day/evening times that are taking place in the fourth/fifth week of September as their child will be away next year on the PGL school trip. It would be useful to attend the open days/evenings this year to get a view of the school/s. I attach the schedule to the back of this newsletter and will give permission for your child to be out of school for the duration of the open morning/afternoon that you wish to attend. You will still need to let us know the reason for the absence.

Laudato Si' project – Caring for our common home





Welcome back St. Joseph's families. As we return from enjoying the delights that the UK and other destinations have to offer, our focus at St. Josephs will be on engaging the wider St. Joseph's community in committing to caring for our common home. We will continue to publish our Laudato Si' challenge in the newsletter each week, and we will also be setting a half-termly whole-school Catholic Social Teaching tasks which will help guide our young people to follow the key Catholic principles outlined for all of us by the Church. It only takes one action to cause a ripple effect and we have every faith that the pupils, and families, of St. Joseph's can collectively make a big difference.

Let's make a difference together!

Holy Communion at Our Lady and St. Joseph's Catholic Church

If your child is in Year 3 and above and you would like them to make their First Holy Communion at Our Lady and St. Josephs Church.

Registration is being held on Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th September between 10am and 1pm in the parish office. You will need your child's baptism certificate and a passport photo/school photo. Cost £15.00.

The closing date for registration is Tuesday 26th September. Please note you must be a registered parishioner for your child to make their communion at Our Lady and St. Joseph's Catholic Church.

Please contact the parish office on 0208 567 4056 if you have any queries. More details in the parish newsletter.

School Uniform

These are the combinations of uniform allowed presently.



Girls may wear: a brown pinafore with a white shirt and tie, a summer dress, brown trousers with a white shirt and tie, a brown skirt/skort with a white shirt and tie, a brown skirt/skort with a polo shirt.

Boys may wear: Grey trousers with a white shirt and tie, grey shorts with a white shirt and tie, grey shorts with a polo shirt, grey trousers with a polo shirt.

Girls may wear brown tights, white or brown socks. Boys may wear grey socks. Shoes must be black with toes and heels fully enclosed.

Hair clips/bands/ties need to be yellow, brown or black.

PE kit: Yellow T-Shirt, black shorts, plimsolls (stay in school) trainers, grey tracksuit (with St. Joseph's logo or unbranded) and optional waterproof tracksuit.

Contact Details

If you have moved house or changed your phone over the summer, please don't forget to come to the office and complete a change of details form. It is imperative we have contact numbers for emergency purposes.

If your child is unwell and absent from school please email: **absent@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk**, giving details of the illness.

If you need to contact the school office please email ask@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk.

If you need to contact your child's class teacher please use the year group email and put your child's name in the subject header:

nursery@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk

reception@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk

year1@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk

year2@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk

year3@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk

year4@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk

year5@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk

year6@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk

Catholic High School Open Morning/Evening dates 2023

For all venues, you may have to book your visit so please check websites for most up to date information.

Ealing High Schools

The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School -

https://www.wiseman.ealing.sch.uk/page/?title=Year+7+Admissions+From+Primary+School+2024%2D25&pid=168

Thursday 14th September 5.30pm to 8pm. Headteacher talks 6pm and 7pm

Out of Borough High Schools

Douay Martyr's - https://www.douaymartyrs.co.uk/59/admissions-1

Open Evening: Thursday 21st September from 5:00 – 8:00pm

Headteacher talks at 5:15pm, 6:00pm and 7:00pm

Open Mornings: Tuesday 26th September from 8:45 – 10:45am

Tuesday 3rd October 2022 from 8:45 – 10:45am

Gumley House - https://www.gumleyhouse.com/Open-Events/

Open Morning: Thursday 5th October (9am-11am). Headteacher talk from

10:20am.

Wednesday 11th October (9am-11am). Headteacher talk from

10:20am.

Open Evening: Wednesday 11th October (5pm-8pm). Headteacher talk from

7:15pm.

Gunnersbury School -

https://www.gunnersbury.com/page/?title=Open+Days+for+September+2024+A dmissions&pid=244

Open morning: Wednesday 4th October 10.30-11.30am

Open afternoons: Wednesday 27th September 1.30-3pm with Headteacher

address at 2.30pm

Monday 2nd October 1.30-3pm with Headteacher talk at 2.30pm

Open evenings: Wednesday 27th September 5pm-7.30pm with Headteacher

talks at 6.00pm and 6.45pm

Sacred Heart High School -

https://www.sacredhearthigh.org.uk/page/?title=Secondary+Transfer+Admissions+for+September+2024%2F25&pid=399

Thursday 14th September Morning 9:30am - 11am

Evening 4pm-6pm

Wednesday 20th September Morning 9:30 - 11am

Evening 4pm - 6pm

St Mark's - https://www.st-

marks.hounslow.sch.uk/page/?title=Admissions&pid=7

Open Mornings: Wednesday 20th September 9am - 10.30am (Head's talk -

10:10am)

Tuesday 26th September 9am - 10.30am (Head's talk -

10:10am)

Open Evenings: Wednesday 20th September 5pm - 9pm (Head's talks - 5:10,

6:40, 8:10pm)

The Cardinal Vaughan Memorial School -

https://www.cvms.co.uk/Admissions/index.asp

Open Evenings: Thursday 14th September 2023 & Tuesday 19th September 2023. The Headmaster will speak at 4.30pm and 6.00pm.

Parents and prospective pupils may arrive to hear the Headmaster speak at 4:30pm and then undertake a tour, or, if more convenient, arrive at 5.00pm for a tour of the school and then hear the Headmaster speak afterwards.

Please note that the final tour, which will follow the Headmaster's 6.00pm speech, will be only brief and may not include all departments.

There is no need to book for our Open Evenings.

The Oratory – https://www.london-oratory.org/admissions/open-evenings

Advance booking is required for the first three dates. Booking will open on 4th September

Tuesday 12th September, 5.30 and 6.30pm

Tuesday 19th September, 5.30 and 6.30pm

Thursday 21st September, 5.30 and 6.30pm

Monday 25th September 2023, 2.00pm - no booking required

OPEN EVENINGS				
School	Date	Time	Head Teacher Talk	
Elthorne Park High School	Wed 13 Sep	5:15pm to 8:30pm	5:30, 6:45, 7:45	
Northolt High School	Thu 14 Sep	5:30pm to 7pm	6	
The Cardinal Wiseman Catholic School	Thu 14 Sep	5:30pm to 8:30pm	6 & 7	
The Ellen Wilkinson School for Girls	Thu 21 Sep	6pm to 8:30pm	6:15 & 7:30	
Twyford Ce High School	Thu 21 Sep	5pm to 8pm	5:30, 6:30, 7:30	
Villiers High School	Thu 21 Sep	5pm to 7:30pm	6:15	
Alec Reed Academy	Tue 26 Sep	5:30pm to 7:30pm	5:45, 7	
Ada Lovelace CofE High School	Wed 27 Sep	5pm to 8pm	5:15, 6:15, 7:15	
Dormers Wells High School	Wed 27 Sep	5pm to 7:30pm	5:15, 6:15	
Ark Soane Academy	Thu 28 Sep	5pm to 7pm	6	
Brentside High School	Thu 28 Sep	5:30pm to 8:30pm	5:45, 6:45	
Drayton Manor High School	Thu 28 Sep	5pm to 8pm	5:15, 6:30	
Featherstone High School	Thu 28 Sep	5pm to 7:30pm	5:15, 6, 6:45	
William Perkin Church of England High School	Thu 28 Sep	5pm to 8pm	5, 6, 7	
Ark Acton Academy	Wed 4 Oct	5:30pm to 8pm	6, 7	
Ealing Fields High School	Thu 5 Oct	5pm to 8:pm	5, 6, 7	
Greenford High School	Thu 5 Oct	5pm to 7pm	5, 6, 7	

OPEN MORNINGS			
School	Dates	Time	
Alec Reed Academy	28 Sept, 3 Oct, 5 Oct	9am to 10:30am	
Ark Acton Academy	15 Sept, 22 Sept, 29 Sept	9:15am to 10:30am	
Ark Soane Academy	25 Sept, 26 Sept, 27 Sept, 28 Sept, 29 Sept	9:30am to 11am	
Brentside High School	2 Oct, 3 Oct, 4 Oct	9:35am to 10:40am	
Dormers Wells High School	28 Sept, 29 Sept	10am to 12:30pm	
Northolt High School	2 Oct, 3 Oct, 4 Oct, 5 Oct, 6 Oct	9am to 10am	
The Ellen Wilkinson School for Girls	12 Sept, 18 Sept, 21 Sept, 25 Sept	10am to 11am	
Villiers High School	22 Sept	10am to 12:30pm	

Roald Dahl Day – Wednesday 13th September 2023



Dear parents,

Monday is Roald Dahl Day and we're inviting children and staff to wear a costume related to a Roald Dahl character that day. In classes, we will be carrying out activities related to the books we are reading in class:

Year 1 - The Enormous Crocodile

Year 2 - The Giraffe And The Pelly And Me

Year 3 - Fantastic Mr Fox

Year 4 - Matilda

Year 5 - The Twits

Year 6 - The Witches

See below for some costume ideas but please try to use what you already have at home; there is no need to buy a costume from Amazon (or similar) — also, the character does not need to be from the book your child is reading in class. Many thanks for your support with the day.









- **AVAILABLE FACE TO FACE OR ONLINE!**
- **KEYBOARD PROVIDED at every lesson where every child** learns to Read, Write and Play Music.
- All children given the opportunity to sit INTERNATIONALLY **RECOGNISED EXAMS and PERFORM AT LIVE EVENTS!**

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FREE TASTER SESSIONS available in and around **Ealing and Online!**

Pitshanger Lane Methodist Church - Linfield Road, W5 1QP Wednesday 20th and 27th of September at 5.30pm Thursday 21st and 28th of September at 4pm and 6pm Saturday 23rd and 30th of September at 11am and 1pm

Hanwell Methodist Church - 16 Church Rd, London W7 1DJ Tuesday 19th and 26th of September at 4.15pm and 5pm Friday 22nd and 29th of September at 4.15pm and 5pm

Greenford Methodist Church - Ruslip Road, Greenford UB6 9QN Wednesday 20th of September 4.15pm and 5pm Saturday 23rd of September 10.15am and 11am Wednesday 27th of September 5.15pm and 6pm Saturday 30th of September 9.15am and 10am

Holy Trinity Church - Parish Hall Park View Road Southall UB1 3HJ Thursday 21st and 28th of September 4pm, 5pm and 6pm Saturday 23rd and 30th of September at 10am and 12pm

Heston Community Centre - Vicarage Farm Road, TW5 0EE Monday 18th and 25th of September at 4pm Thursday 21st and 28th of September at 4pm and 6pm

Online Lessons via Zoom

Monday 5pm, Tuesday 6pm, Wednesday 5.30pm, Thursday 4pm, Friday 6.30pm

Please contact us to arrange a FREE TRIAL at your preferred location or to enquire about any of our other locations in surrounding areas!

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Disclaimer St Joseph's School is happy to use the newsletter to support activities and events. However, we have not vetted these services and are not specifically recommending them.