St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter

Friday 16th July 2021



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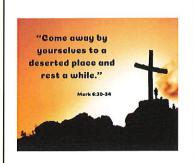
Note from Headteacher

Nationally restrictions end from Monday, but we will continue with the measures we have in place to keep everybody safe until Tuesday afternoon. This means staggered starts and finished will continue. On Tuesday 20th July, children who normally finish at 3pm will finish at 1.30pm. Children who normally finish at 3.15pm will finish at 1.45pm.

We are at the end of the summer term, ready for a very well-deserved break. I am really pleased with the way everyone has coped over the year and the way we have all pulled together to make sure we have all looked after each other — children, parents, staff and governors alike. That is what being connected to St. Joseph's is all about. Enjoy the summer holidays!

God Bless.

Julian Rakowski Headteacher



Sunday 18th July 2021 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gospel Mark 6:30-34

The apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, "Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while."

Note from Chair of Governors

Dear Parents,

I know that this last academic year has been a challenge but I have been very impressed with the way the children, parents and staff have adapted to the changing, challenging circumstances. Throughout the year, the children have continued to learn, and the staff have continued to teach. I commend them all in these unprecedented times.

We are now nearing the end of lockdown and I pray that our community can get back to some sort of normality for the sake of the children. The Leadership team is quietly confident that 'normality' will return in September but we still have to be vigilant and look out for directives.

On behalf of the Governors of St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, I wish you all a safe and restful summer holiday.

Maggie Jones

Contacting the school office

If you have a general office related enquiry please use ask@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk. Please do not use the Admin domain for correspondence as it will not be picked up.



Early Morning Drop-Off Club

As mentioned in last week's newsletter, Our Early Morning Drop-Off club had been running in deficit for a few years. It is a 'loss leader' in that the pricing is not profitable but the vital and helpful service is attractive to our parents. In September, the price will need to increase to £1 per day per child. I am sure that you would still agree that it is incredibly cheap for childcare.

Food Bank

On behalf of all of the staff at St Joseph's, Mrs. Baran would like to thank you for your kind donations for our local food bank. The donations were delivered yesterday and the volunteers at the food bank were overwhelmed by the generosity of everyone at our school. I thank Mrs. Baran on behalf of all the people who the donations will help and all our community who were able to make a difference for families in need.



Looking ahead - School lunches

Please find attached to this newsletter the menu for September. Please note that as our school opens for children on 2nd September, our menu will start on week 3. Week 1 begins from 6th September.

All school lunches will need to be ordered in advance, including Free School Meals. Please see the email sent today with further details.

African Drumming

On Tuesday, Year 5 were extremely lucky to have Dave from Ealing Music Service come in for an African Djembe session. The children learned the history of the Djembe drum and what materials it was made from. They were surprised to find out that goat skin was used to make the top of the drum. They also got the opportunity to play the Djembe drum and learn simple rhythms and patterns. All children and adults had a fantastic time and it put us all in a great mood for the day! (Everyone except for Mrs. Sargeant and Mrs. McNee who were sitting in the room next door!)



Maths Factor

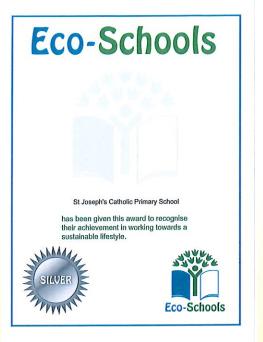
On her way home the other evening, Mrs. Ingham was listening to Carol Vorderman on Radio 2 talking about her 'Maths Factor' website having a subscription-free 'Maths Adventure' over the summer holidays. It looks great for any child whose report reads, 'lacks confidence,' or 'Needs to practise.'

The Maths Factor Summer adventure with Carol Vorderman

Thank you, Mrs. Ingham

Eco-Worriers

St. Joseph's Eco-Worriers (along with the rest of the school) have been working really hard over the last year to raise awareness about how important it is to look after our environment. Recycling was a huge goal this year and we are delighted that every classroom now has their own recycling box for both children and adults to use. Back in April, we also had our Eco-Week where children enjoyed ecolessons linked to the curriculum, an eco-friendly fashion show as well as many other activities. We submitted all of our evidence to the head of the eco-school committee and we have been awarded a bronze and silver award for all of our efforts. Our next step to try and go a step further and apply for a green flag for St. Joseph's in the next academic year! Well done to all and also to Miss Barry for leading the way.



The Saint

Please look out for your final copy of this academic year of the 'The Saint'. Our paper produced by the children for the children and parents. A special thank you to all the contributors, authors and to the editors - Miss Bobbin and Miss Bertorelli.

In the event...

In the event that somebody in your household wakes up with a fever (>37.8°C), or a new, continuous cough or a loss of the sense of smell or taste do not send your child to school. Immediately inform the school via email or phone and then book a test for the person. If this were to happen at the weekend, email head@stjosephs.ealing.sch.uk. The whole household must then self-isolate. If the test returns negative and nobody has any ongoing symptoms, the child can return to school and the household no longer needs to self-isolate. If a positive result is returned, the household must self-isolate for 10 days and resume normal activity after 10 days as long as they have been symptom free for 48 hours.

If your child has a sniffle, runny nose or is sneezing, they are not coronavirus symptoms and your child should come to school if well enough.



School Meals payment portal

The current online meals payment portal will no longer be available to make payments for meals beyond the 31st of July 2021. If you are paying for your child's meal online please do not make any payments beyond the 23rd of July 2021. The current online payment portal is being replaced with the ISS new online payment portal, details of which will be sent to you at a later date.



Sports Ambassador

Congratulations to Victoria who received a Gold Award as a Young Ambassador. She did all the paperwork and worked online to achieve this award. Due to the pandemic, she has not been able to do her proper role this year but luckily for her, the Sports Partnership have said that Ambassadors will roll over to the next year so that they can do the activities they were supposed to have done this past year.



Careers Fair 2021

On Wednesday, the Upper Phase took part in a Careers Fair organized by Mr Buckfield on Teams but hosted by Mrs Ingham. The children had two guest speakers in the morning – Samantha Ike, a GP and Sanjeev Baga, a sales director for Vodafone. The children heard about how the speakers got into these jobs; their education and training; what the job involves and how much they enjoy their work. Both speakers also had some great advice for the children about being confident and having determination - if at first they didn't succeed...

Samantha and Sanjeev shared stories about their inspiration as well as the opportunities their jobs have given them. Children then asked questions to further their understanding of these career paths. In the afternoon, we all played a game of 'Guess the Job' with three guest speakers – this time, the children asked questions to try to gain clues about the type of job each person did. We got close before each guest revealed and talked about their job. We heard from Shruthi Sivadasan, a Marine Engineer, who spoke about her university studies and working in different countries. Phil Elston is a manager at Brompton Bikes and he managed to give us a tour of the factory where lots of the workers on the production line gave us a wave and showed us some welding! Did you know it takes only five hours to make one Brompton Bike? Nieves Diaz is a doctor who works in clinical trials – she explained how clinical trials work and used some vocabulary children are familiar with in their Science lessons.

Carnival Day

Year 3 had a wonderful day on Wednesday celebrating Carnival Day. This was a great way to end their Geography topic on Rio de Janeiro and Brazil. We started the day learning about the importance of carnival in Brazil and the traditions that are celebrated each year. Throughout the day, we had mask making, a samba lesson and some carnival themed mindfulness. The best part of the day was when we came together outside for a some Brazilian themed treats; the children got to try some Brazilian cheese bread, Brazilian chocolate truffles - brigadeiro and of course lots of tropical fruit. A great day had by all! Thank you to all the organisers.





Celebrations

Good Disciple awards are given to children who have shown exceptional love and kindness to fellow pupils and are helping to build God's kingdom here and now. Well done to the children listed below:

Phase	Name	Reason
Lower	Oleg RB	For always being kind to his friends.
Upper	Eryk 6J	For always letting others join in his games and spreading happiness.

Headteacher awards are presented each week to children who the staff think have put that little bit of extra into their work. Well done to the children listed below:

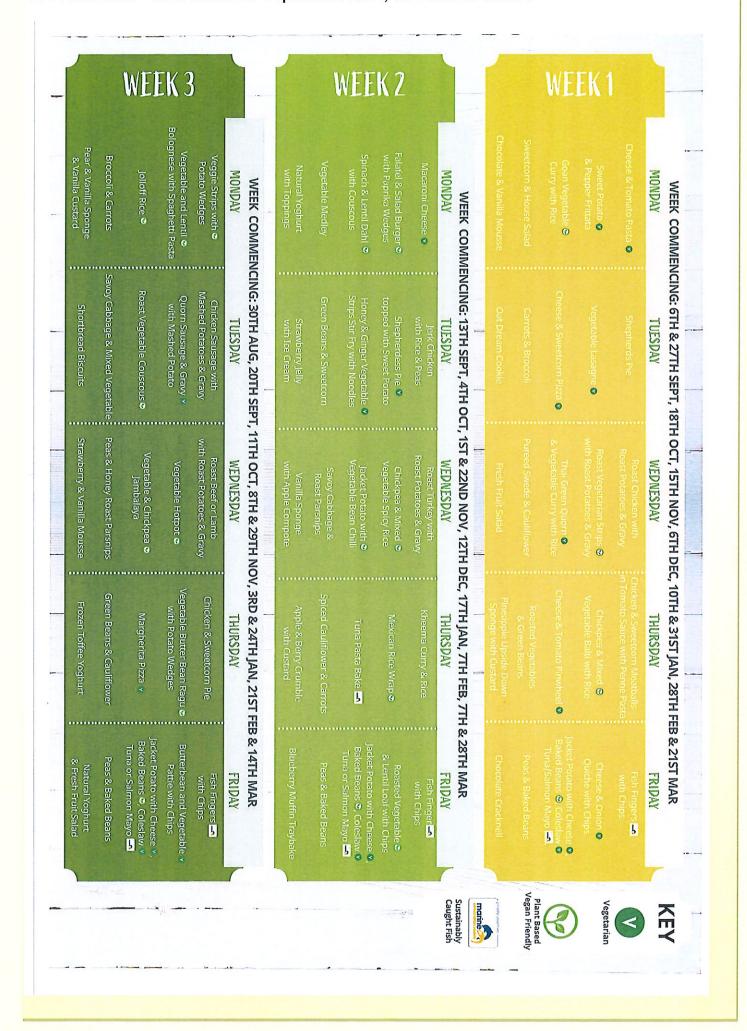
Class	Name	Reason
1B	Celinka	For always trying her best, working hard and being a wonderful classmate.
1 S	Zina	For great improvement in speaking up in class and sharing super ideas.
1SW	Oliver	For an excellent re-telling of Owl Babies.
2AL	Olivier	For having a very focused day last week.
2B	Lidia	For your detailed explanations of why objects are made from certain materials.
2SL	Vanessa	For a fantastic improvement in all areas of your work. Well done!
3AR	Bianca	For her wonderful effort when learning Samba during out Rio Carnival Day.
3DS	Alex	For making a tremendous effort during our week of self-isolation and producing high quality, well presented work!
3SR	Mya	For adding great description to her writing through her use of expanded noun phrases.
4B	All of you	For working hard online.
4C	Christina	For superb response to Year 5 writing task!
4S	Suzanne	For displaying outstanding athleticism in our PE lessons.
5B	Jacob	For his fantastic Science investigation that he prepared for the Science Fair.
5S	Mary	For being a kind and helpful learning partner and settling into St. Joseph's extremely well.
5W	Kevin	For settling into St. Joseph's well.
6B	Julia	For always completing work to a high standard.
61	Oscar	For being good company and a super friend to others.
6J	Dylan	For an outstanding effort at the Year 6 5K run.

PTA

The PTA would like to thank you for your continued support this year. Despite the difficult circumstances we raised £550.35 during our pajama day.

Your contributions are very much appreciated and we look forward to more fun in the coming year.





Laudato Si' project - Caring for our common home

This marks the final 'Laudato Si' challenge in the newsletter for this academic year and is a good opportunity to say thank you to you, and your families, for all of the efforts you have made throughout the year to take up our challenges. Your efforts can, and will, make a huge difference to our world.

It would be great to start the next academic year with inspirational ideas of how to care for our common home. What can you do this summer break to make a difference? Take a photo for your new class teacher and we will publish them in the newsletter or The Saint to inspire others to make a different too.

Let's make a difference - together!

Pop-Up Vaccination sites

Please can schools promote the following pop-up vaccination sites to staff and families (flyer attached):

- o Saturday 17th July, Greenford Hall, 9am to 6pm
- Wednesday 21st July, St Mary's Church Acton, 5pm to 8pm
- o Thursday 22nd July, St Mary's Church Acton, 10am to 8pm
- o Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th July, Ark Acton Academy, 9am to 6pm

Summer Cycle Training

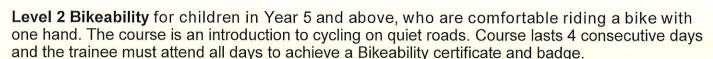
Here is a great opportunity to learn how to use your bicycles properly during the summer holidays. Please read information below.

Summer holiday cycle training courses are taking place in Gunnersbury Park.

Learn to Ride for children who cannot ride a bike and would like to learn how to - 2 hours for 2 consecutive days.

- 29th & 30th July, 10.00-12.00
- 29th & 30th July, 12.45-14.45
- 5th & 6th August, 10.00-12.00
- 5th & 6th August, 12.45-14.45
- 12th & 13th August, 10.00-12.00

12th & 13th August, 12.45-14.45



- 27th 30th July, 9.30 11.30
- 27th 30th July, 12.15 14.15
- 24th 27th August, 09.30 11.30

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LOCATION

Gunnersbury Park (Old Tennis Courts) Click to see exact location

BOOKING

Please book places here Ealing Holiday CD form (formsite.com)





COVID-19 VACCINATION





18 OR OVER?

THIS SATURDAY

- Greenford Hall, Ruislip Rd, Greenford, UB6 9QN
- **Saturday 17 July**
- 9am 6pm No appointment, no ID, no NHS number needed

SAY YES TO THE VACCINE



COVID-19 VACCINATION





18 OR OVER?

FOR TWO DAYS ONLY!

- St Mary's Church, The Mount, High St, Acton, W3 9NW
- **Wednesday 21 July**
- 5 8pm
- Thursday 22 July
- (1) 10am 8pm No appointment, no ID, no NHS number needed

SAY YES TO THE VACCINE



COVID-19 **VACCINATION** CENTRE





18 OR OVER? FOR TWO DAYS ONLY!

- Ark Acton Academy, Gunnersbury Lane, Acton, W3 8EY
- **Saturday 24 July**
- 9am 6pm
- Sunday 25 July
- **9am 6pm** No appointment, no ID, no **NHS** number needed

SAY YES TO THE VACCINE



Hanwell Sports Academy SUMMER CAMP

26th July – 30th July 2021 2nd August – 6th August 2021

COST £70 per week or £20 per week

I WISH TO APPLY FOR THE FOLLOWING CHILD (REN)
TO ATTEND THE SUMMER CAMP

PARENTS -NAME: SURNAME: CONTACT NUMBER EMAIL

DETAILS OF ANY MEDICAL CONDITIONS

PARENT/ GUARDIAN DECLARATION: "I hereby give permission for my child/ren to be giving emergency treatment as necessary in my absence". Signed______

I wish to enrol my above named son/daughter in the Hanwell Sports Academy. Cheque for the term,

HANWELL SPORTS ACADEMY

Santander Account 15871082 Sort Code 09-01-29

We Required Payment in Full before we accept any children for the sessions NO REFUNDS

After school Club

SIGNED: (Father/Mother/Guardian) DATED:_

Please submit form and payment on line to Hanwell Sport Academy.
All protocols followed with the COVID guidelines

Terms & conditions: we will not be respectable for the loss or misplacement of childrens' kit, footwear, jawellery or valuables in any circumstances. All children must be collected by a responsible adult or the head coach know that a child may make their own way brones. No fixed does to inclement weather or missed days.

