St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Weekly Newsletter Friday 16th October 2020



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Welcome back

On Thursday, we were glad to welcome back to school class 3AR and isolating staff members. I have no doubt that the two weeks spent in isolation has been difficult, but now a brisk return to school routines is required.





Sunday 18th October 2020 29th Sunday of The Year

Gospel Matthew 22: 15 - 21

"Give therefore to the emperor the things that belong to him, and to God what belongs to God."

School Entry

I have been able to do a few morning patrols of the lining up procedures we have in place. I would like to thank the children



and parents for their co-operation in trying to maintain social distancing and wearing face coverings. I would just like to remind everyone of our collective responsibility to maintain the effort, even when it is hard to do so. Please do not queue jump your child at the gates.



Parent Consultations

The upcoming virtual meetings, Tuesday 20th October 2020 3.30pm – 6.00pm and Thursday



22nd October 2020 4.30pm – 7.00pm, are more formal than usual at this time of year to give the teachers a chance to give you an academic update and areas to work on for your child. The virtual meetings will be held on Microsoft Teams and teachers will email you a link to join the meeting. Please join the meeting close to your allotted time and you will be put into a waiting room. The teachers will then admit you when it is roughly your time. Let us pray the technology works! If any issues arise as a result of technology, don't worry, the teachers will give you a phone update after half-term.

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'Laudato Si' project – Caring for our common home

Friday 16th October is World Food Day: Building a Zero Hunger Generation. On this day millions of people around the world will do their bit to help reduce World Hunger. Over 2 billion people in the world do not have access to safe, nutritious and sufficient food. Approximately 14% of food produced for human consumption is lost each year between the stages where it is grown or raised up to when it reaches the wholesale market. More food is wasted at the retail food and consumer stages. We can play our part by:

- Only buying healthy food that will genuinely satisfy our hunger and feed our bodies.
- Buying local produce which does not need to be shipped internationally.
- Saving our leftovers and not throwing away food needlessly.

Challenge: Ask mummy and daddy to do an audit of their weekly shop. Are there any food items that are thrown away regularly e.g. lettuce, bread? Can you change your shopping habits to reduce this waste? Perhaps you are able to donate some food to a food bank for the hungry and, if not, try hard to ensure that you only take as much food as you can eat and don't waste any. By serving meals from dishes in the middle of the table, rather than dividing it up amongst plates, it will be easier to save leftovers.

Why not take a photo and send it in with your child to their class teacher to encourage others to play their part too?

Let's make a difference – together!

In the event...

In the event that your child 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 them to school. Immediately book your child in for a test and the whole household has to isolate for 14 days. If the child tests positive, they have to stay off school for at least 10 days. If the test is negative, the child can return to school and the household no longer needs to self-isolate.



Tier 2

From Saturday, we will be at Tier 2 level on the new coronavirus grading system and this brings with it more responsibilities, especially at morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up if you are responsible for children outside of your family. If you walk with children outside, then you are within the guidelines. If you are dropping off/picking up in a car or actually going into each at each other's houses, then you are breaking the rules. Please be mindful of your responsibilities to the community.



Lower Phase Parent presentations

If you have not had a chance to view the Reception Reading presentation or the Year 1 Phonics presentation, I will leave them up for a little longer. Please click on the links below to view, they're worth it!

https://us02web.zoom.us/rec/share/

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and

https://www.stjosephshanwell.org.uk/year-1/



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Fr Cristiano Primary School Signing dates

Father Cristiano is available to sign Primary School forms during the times below. Please book an appointment through the Parish Office by phoning (0208 567 4056) between 10am and 2pm Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday.

Date	Time
Tuesday 3rd November 2020	11am until 1pm 3pm until 6pm
Monday 9th November 2020	11am until 1pm 3pm until 6pm
Tuesday 10th November 2020	11am until 1pm 3pm until 6pm



Former Pupils

Congratulations to all our former pupils who have celebrated their Confirmation Masses recently, and to the last group tomorrow when they will all have been sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Cauliflower Cards

We are taking part in the Cauliflower Christmas project raising much needed money for our school. Your child will have brought home a letter and a form on which your child can do their artwork. Please follow the artwork guidelines carefully as there are certain pencils and materials that the children cannot use. Once the artwork is complete, please place your order and make payment online. Return the artwork to your class teacher or to the school office. The closing date to return the artwork is Wednesday 4th November. Late artwork cannot be accepted after this date as they will not be returned in time for Christmas.

School Meals

Please be reminded that school meals provided by Harrison Catering should be paid for in advance.



There is currently £450 of outstanding meals to be paid for, which if left unpaid, will have to be covered from the school budget. Children from Year 3 and above should be registered with Harrisons if you have not done this already, please go to the school website where you will find the

Harrison icon, and be directed to their website.



