



## YOUR NEWSLETTER

St Joseph the Worker Catholic Primary School  
Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March, 2014

*A loving Christian family striving to achieve excellence.*

Dear Parents,

Year 4 shared a wonderful assembly this week on the theme of Giving & Receiving. It was so good to see all of the children involved and enjoying themselves. They managed to give us some really important messages whilst keeping us entertained. I would like to thank all staff and parents who helped Year 4 prepare for their assembly, particularly Mrs Ormandy who worked tirelessly to ensure they delivered their messages with confidence.



I visited 4 classes this week to see some of the hard work that is going on. I visited **Reception** where they were reading a book called 'Tiddler' and all of their work is based in an underwater theme – they even have an underwater cave. In **Year 2** the children have made their own Spring booklets and they were creating some Spring descriptive writing based on their senses. In **Year 3** the children were using adjectives and adverbs to describe a setting which was part of a longer story they are writing. And finally I visited some of our **Year 6** pupils who were measuring and drawing angles using a protractor. These are just a few examples of the excellent work going on in our school.

### Fair-trade Awards

Mrs Banana joined us in our assembly on Monday to present us with our Certificate of Commitment for supporting Fairtrade in Merseyside. She also presented Year 5, Year 3, Nursery and Reception with Fairtrade Bake-Off Certificates. We were also proud of the following children who won our design a banana competition:



N Ruby  
R Kaden  
Y1 Tryton  
Y2 Cole  
Y3 Sophie  
Y4 Owen  
Y5 Connie  
Y6 Joani

### Star Pupils

We still have some outstanding forms for tea with the head, individual children will be sent a letter; please indicate whether your child is allowed tea. If you do not wish them to have tea they will still be able to come for biscuits and a chat!

Our Star Pupils this week were:

R Ruby  
Y1 Chloe  
Y2 James  
Y3 Dylan  
Y4 Isobel  
Y5 Anika  
Y6 Corey

### Attendance & punctuality

Attendance last week was won by Year 1 in the Infants and Year 6 in the Juniors.

**There were two classes last week with 0 lates, Year 2 and Year 4 were awarded with toast on Tuesday.**



### African Children's Choir

On Monday 31<sup>st</sup> March we our choir will be performing at All Saints Catholic High School with the world famous African Children's Choir. The choir are an inspirational group of children who have toured the world and it will be an incredible experience for all involved.

Family members wishing to watch the concert can buy tickets priced at £3 for adults and £2 for children; these are available from All Saints Catholic High School.



### Mums and Toddlers Group

The Mums and Toddlers group meet Tuesday – Friday in school from 9:00 – 11:00. Please come along, new members always welcome.





### Easter Celebrations

**Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April Children's Bingo, Decorated Egg and Easter Bonnet Parade.** The Friends of St Joseph the Worker will be donating prizes.

### Year 3 Class Assembly

Our Year 3 Class Assembly '**Mothers**' takes place on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 9:30am. Parents are very welcome to attend and stay for a cup of tea afterwards.

### Family Learning

We will be offering some Family Craft sessions on May 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> in the afternoon, details of how to get involved will be sent out shortly.



### All Saints Catholic High School opportunities

All Saints are offering Saturday morning Multisports /Arts clubs for Year 5 and Year 6 pupils, there will be a £2 charge and the sessions will take place 10-2pm.



Everton FC provide free football coaching at All Saints for Year 6 pupils 5-7pm every Monday. For further information about either of these opportunities please call into school.

### Dinner Money

Please can you make sure you send your child's dinner money in an envelope clearly labelled with their name and class.

### NUT Industrial Action

The National Union of Teachers has announced industrial action for all members nationally on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2014 Having carefully reviewed the implications of the strike on our staffing levels; we have taken the decision to close the school on **Wednesday 26 March 2014**. Parents are therefore asked to make alternative arrangements on this day and pupils should **NOT** report to school.

### Summer Inset Day

Our final staff training day will take place on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> July; therefore the children will finish for the summer holidays on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July at 2pm. Please note this is a change of date to the original holiday list given.



### Dates for your diary

26 <sup>th</sup> March	School Closed
28 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 3 Class Assembly (please note this is a change of date)
1 <sup>st</sup> April	Children's Bingo, Decorated Egg and Easter Bonnet Parade.
4 <sup>th</sup> April	Easter Assembly
4 <sup>th</sup> April	Break up for Easter Holiday 2pm
22 <sup>nd</sup> April	Return to school
5 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank Holiday
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Y5 Class Assembly
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Break up for Half term
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Return to school
7 <sup>th</sup> June	First Holy Communion
10 <sup>th</sup> June	First Holy Communion Photographs
11 <sup>th</sup> – 13 <sup>th</sup> June	Kingswood Residential
16 <sup>th</sup> – 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Year 6 Swimming ( <b>please note this is a change of date</b> )
24 <sup>th</sup> June	Y6 Class Assembly
25 <sup>th</sup> June	Kirkby Celebration of Achievement
1 <sup>st</sup> July	Y2 Class Assembly
22 <sup>nd</sup> July	Break up for Summer Holiday 2pm

### Our Lenten Prayer

*Lord*

*We pray for our school and local community,  
That we may use our hands to share our gifts  
and talents to help those in need.*

*We ask that you help us make choices and  
take actions that make our world a better  
place.  
Amen*

*Mrs J. Ryan*