

St Joseph the Worker Catholic Primary School NEWSLETTER Friday 24th June 2022

'A loving Christian family, striving to achieve excellence'

Dear Parents.

This week saw the return of our Kirkby Collaborative Celebration of Achievement – I was incredibly proud of Elsie, Archie, Amelia, Leo, Halle, Maliyah, and Luka who all won awards, they were wonderful ambassadors for our school, and it was



amazing to celebrate their achievements. Our Kirkby Child Award winner was Dean, the pride on his face when he came up to receive this prestigious award was lovely to see - a huge well done to this outstanding pupil.



Happy Birthday to Elsie & Thea from Y1

who are now 6! Happy 8th Birthday to Isabella, Lilly Mae & Erin from Y3. Happy Birthday Luke from Year 4 who is 9, Alyssia from Y5 who is 10 and Cerys from Year 6 who is 11. And finally, Happy Birthday to Alice from Reception who is 5 on Sunday

Next Weeks Lunches 27th June 2022

| Monday | Tuesday | Wed | Thurs | Friday |
|---------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| Choice 1: | Choice 1: | Choice 1: | Choice 1: | Choice 1: |
| Tuna & | Chicken | All Day | Roast | Fish |
| Sweetcorn | Korma & | Breakfast | Chicken | Fingers, |
| or Cheese | Rice | | Dinner & | Chips & |
| Pasta | | | Vegetables | Peas |
| Choice 2: | Choice 2: | Choice 2: | Choice 2: | Choice 2: |
| Jacket | Jacket | Jacket | Jacket | Jacket |
| Potato | Potato | Potato | Potato | Potato |
| Choice 3: | Choice 3: | Choice 3: | Choice 3: | Choice 3: |
| Sandwich | Sandwich | Sandwich | Sandwich | Sandwich |
| Dessert: Chocolate Mousse | Dessert: Jelly & fruit | Dessert: Cupcake | Dessert: Arctic Roll | Dessert: Flapjack |

Breakfast Club

Breakfast club will be available DAILY from 8am. Please contact school by telephone to reserve a place, it will be given on a first come first served basis. We are fortunate to have been given another donation from the Parish that will enable us to offer the club for free to all parents until the end of the summer term.

Class Shout out!

YEAR 4 HAVE HAD A VERY BUSY WEEK (MORE ABOUT THAT LATER) BUT DESPITE THIS THEY HAVE BEEN COMPLETING THEIR MULTIPLICATION CHECKS. THEY HAVE WORKED EXTREMELY HARD AND DESERVED THE DAY OF CELEBRATION THEY HAD TODAY!

Attendance & punctuality

For the week beginning 20th June

| CLASS | ATTENDANCE | |
|--------------|------------|--------|
| Rec | 86% | Red |
| Y1 | 94% | Yellow |
| Y2 | 97% | Green |
| Y3 | 96% | Green |
| Y4 | 86% | Red |
| Y5 | 95% | Yellow |
| Y6B | 97% | Green |
| Y6P | 88% | Red |
| Whole school | 92% | Amber |

Although our attendance this week is still a concern it has improved from last week. For two of our red classes the dip has been caused by genuine illness. Our attendance this week has been impacted by holidays, please note we cannot authorise holidays within term time and you can see from all of the events on this newsletter how much classwork and enrichment the children will miss if they are absent.

Recycling Clothes

As a school we are trying to have a positive impact on the environment by changing the way we do things at home and in school. Knowing what you can do to make a difference and where to start can be tricky, especially when we are bombarded with so much jargon and abstract information in the news; it can sometimes feel like everything has a bad impact! What can we do to live more 'sustainably' and what does that really mean? How can we do more for the planet and reduce the environmental impact.

We aim to start in these 2 ways:

- We are recycling clothes; we have a drop box in our hall for families to bring old clothes in good condition which we will exchange for funds for school resources. If you have any clothes you want to donate, please bring them to the school office.
- 2) At the end of the summer term, we plan to hold a uniform swap shop. If your child has grown out of their school uniform and it is still in good condition, please consider donating it to school. We will open the school hall before we finish for summer for parents to come and choose what they need. Please drop off any preloved uniform at the school office as soon as you can. This will not only help our environmental plan but also all families in our community who are struggling due to the pressures of rising costs.

Community Thanks to OneCall taxis for the donation of bottles of water to support our sports day!

Curriculum Enrichment

Year 4 Tackling the Blues

On Monday, Year 4 visited Goodison Park for a celebration of their Tackling the Blues programme. They had a session focusing on wellbeing and mental health. But the highlight of the visit was a stadium tour and pitch side visit.

Bully Busters

For the past two weeks Year 4 and Year 5 have had sessions with Bully Busters team, the children have had focussed sessions on how to deal with friendships and social issues in school, in the wider community and on social media. The team will return in the Autumn term to complete some more targeted work around social media.

LFC Well-being programmes

Year 2 and Year 5 have been taking part in workshops with the LfC Foundation.

Year 2 Mighty Minds – the concept focuses on the power of the Mind and Emotions, teaching children the importance of having a positive mental attitude and the tools they need to attain this through classroom lessons.

Year 5 PSHE and ME – a weekly workshop with each following weeks lesson being selected by the class. Exploring themes such as resilience, racism, LGBT, self-esteem and more.

Halle orchestra visit

On Thursday Year 4 visited the Bridgewater Hall in Manchester to watch a performance of the Halle Orchestra. Year 4 have been working with the Camerata all year, the community side of the Halle so it was a fantastic culmination to a wonderful project.

CAFOD Assembly

Today Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 had a visit from CAFOD to learn about how food is grown and shared – and how we need to call on the government to keep the poorest communities at the heart of its decisions.

Tale of the unexpected

A free exhibition of larger-than-life stories created by Knowsley young people. Our story in the exhibition is called 'Sven's visit to the Townie' created by Year 4.

Come and see our school story and the whole exhibition at Kirkby Gallery from 1st August to 17th September

Platinum Jubilee Celebration Book

Your child has brought home a special book gifted to them by the UK Government. Every child in primary education has received this commemorative book to mark Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee. It has been designed as an official once-in-a-lifetime commemoration of the Platinum Jubilee and written in collaboration with royal experts and historians.

Don't forget!

This year Knowsley are the LCC Borough of Culture. A dedicated website www.cultureknowsley.co.uk has been launched. Updates and information are being added to the website as events are announced and new attractions confirmed - so please do keep an eye on it. Please follow @cultureknowsley on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

Uniform Reminders

Our PE kit is Yellow or White t shirt, Navy or Black shorts and pumps or trainers. Please ensure your child comes into school in the correct PE kit – not their own clothes. Girls should not be wearing hooped earrings, please remove any hoops before your child comes into school.

Dates for your Diary

| <u>Dates for your Diary</u> | | | |
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| Date | Event | | |
| Monday 27 th June | Y2 CLC Day | | |
| Tuesday 28 th June | Sports Day | | |
| | Infants 9:15am | | |
| | Juniors 1:30pm | | |
| Wednesday 29 th | Y6 Bully Busters | | |
| June | | | |
| Wednesday 29 th | Y6 Primary Rounders | | |
| June | Competition | | |
| Thursday 30 th | Year 4 SEND Reviews | | |
| June | | | |
| Friday 1 st July | Kirkby Transition Day | | |
| Tuesday 5 th July | New Reception transition | | |
| | meetings | | |
| Tuesday 5 th July | Year 3 SEND Reviews | | |
| Wednesday 6 th | New Reception transition | | |
| July | meetings | | |
| Wednesday 6 th July | Y3 Tate Gallery Visit | | |
| Wednesday 6 th July | Y4 Gallery Visit | | |
| Thursday 7 th July | Y5 Gallery Visit | | |
| Thursday 7 th July | Year 2 SEND Reviews | | |
| Friday 8 th July | Nursery Sports Day | | |
| Friday 8 th July | Y5 Fun Day All Saints | | |
| Monday 11 th July | Year 1 SEND Reviews | | |
| Tuesday 12 th July | Y6 / Reception Height and Weight | | |
| Tuesday 12 th July | Year 6 Apprentice Task | | |
| Wednesday 13 th July | Nursery Graduation | | |
| Wednesday 13 th July | Parents Evening | | |
| Thursday 14 th July | Junior Prize Day 9:10am | | |
| Friday 15 th July | Infant Prize Day 9:10am | | |
| Friday 15 th July | Year 6 Leaver's Disco | | |
| | 3:30pm | | |
| Monday 18 th July | Leaver's Mass 11am | | |
| Monday 18 th July | Year 6 Leaver's Assembly | | |
| | 2pm | | |
| Tuesday 19 th July | Children finish at 12pm | | |