

# St Joseph the Worker Catholic Primary School NEWSLETTER

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> January, 2023

'A loving Christian family, striving to achieve excellence'

## Dear Parents,

It is wonderful to see how well the children have started the new term, we had a great start to the week with a fantastic performance of the Grinch from our talented junior children, our Year 4 children and parents began their First Holy Communion Preparation and some of our children represented the school at a Sport Festival at Kirkby High School.



A Big Happy Birthday this month to.....  
Bradley from Year 2 who is 7, Harleigh from Year 3 who is 8, Mia and Jonathon from Year 4 who are 9, Joseph from Year 5 who is 10 and Lewis and Mason from Y6 who are 11 😊

## Next Weeks Lunches 16<sup>th</sup> January

| Monday   | Tuesday   | Wed  | Thurs  | Friday                                    |
|--|---|--|--|---|
| Choice 1:<br>Chicken Burger, Crisps, chips and beans | Choice 1:<br>Spaghetti Bolognese & garlic bread | Choice 1:<br>Chicken Curry & Boiled or Fried Rice with Fortune Cookies | Choice 1:<br>Special Meal! Chicken Nuggets and fries | Choice 1:<br>Fish fingers, Chips and Peas |
| Choice 2:<br>Jacket Potato                           | Choice 2:<br>Jacket Potato                      | Choice 2:<br>Jacket Potato   | Choice 2:<br>Jacket Potato                           | Choice 2:<br>Jacket Potato                |
| Choice 3:<br>Sandwich                                | Choice 3:<br>Sandwich                           | Choice 3:<br>Sandwich  | Choice 3:<br>Sandwich                                | Choice 3:<br>Sandwich                     |
| Dessert:<br>Mousse                                   | Dessert:<br>Frozen Yoghurt                      | Dessert:<br>Fortune Cookies  | Dessert:<br>Butterfly Cake                           | Dessert:<br>Cookie and Milkshake          |

## Breakfast / After School Club

There is a Breakfast Club from 8.00am each morning. This club is available for pupils from Reception – Year 6 and must be booked in advance. We are also providing an After School Provision 3.00-5.00pm, £6.00 per session Monday to Wednesday, if the club becomes popular and there is need we will consider extending the provision.

## Star Pupils

Our Star Pupils this week were:

- Y1 Bella
- Y2 Savannah
- Y3 Valentina
- Y4 Sadie
- Y5 Riley
- Y6B Chloe
- Y6W Dani





## Attendance & punctuality

### For the Academic Year 2022 – 23

Let's look at our attendance during this week.

Red Below 90% Amber 90% - 92.4%  
Yellow 92.5% - 95.9% Green 96%

| CLASS   | ATTENDANCE |
|---|------------|
| Rec   | 93% Yellow |
| Y1  | 97% Green  |
| Y2   | 97% Green  |
| Y3  | 90% Amber  |
| Y4  | 96% Green  |
| Y5  | 97% Green  |
| Y6B   | 90% Amber  |
| Y6W  | 100% Green |
| Whole school  | 95% Yellow |

Well done to 5 of our classes who have made an excellent start to the new year with Green attendance! A particular special mention to Year 6W who have achieved 100% this week! I wonder how many consecutive weeks they can achieve?

## Applications for Primary places in Knowsley

The deadline for applying for a Reception Class place is this weekend Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January. Pupils applying to St Joseph the Worker or any other Catholic School must also complete a supplementary form available from the school office (EVEN IF IT IS NOT YOUR FIRST CHOICE SCHOOL) if you wish your child to be considered under the faith criteria you must complete this form.

## Term dates for this year

### Spring Term 2023

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> January (school opens) - Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April (school closes)  
Half Term Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February - Friday 17<sup>th</sup> February (inclusive)

### Summer Term 2023

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April (school opens) - Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July (school closes)

Half Term Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June (inclusive)

Please note our Term Dates for 23/24 are now on the website

## Headlice

We have recently been informed about an outbreak of head lice. Please check your child's hair. If you are at all worried, please contact the school for our School Nurse details or, alternatively, your pharmacist or family doctor. Head lice are very good at moving from one host to another therefore it is important that long hair is tied up, this will reduce the spread of lice. Please encourage your child not to take their own / or their friends hair out of the bobble/plait that you put it in, this will stop the spread of lice.

## Curriculum Enrichment

### Chinese New Year

Next week, many of our classes will be learning about Chinese New Year to celebrate the upcoming year of the rabbit. On Wednesday Y1 and Y4 will be having some special visitors from the Confucius Institute at Edge Hill University, the teachers will be leading workshops with these classes linked to the theme of Chinese New Year.

### Science Club

The children had a mind blowing assembly this week to launch our new science club, the Fun Science club will take place on Thursdays for the next 4 weeks after school until 4:10pm it is open to children in KS2. The club is currently full, if it is succesful it is something we can look to repeating for children who haven't got a place this time.

### Shakespeare School Festival

We have copies of the official photographs in school that we will have on display for parents to order prints. The photos will be available after school every day next week via the school office.

### After School Clubs

Please see below for the After School Clubs on offer this term:

| Day       | Club         | Class        |
|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| Monday    | Football     | Year 3 & 4   |
| Tuesday   | Gymnastics   | Year 2       |
|           | Art & Craft  | Year 5       |
|           | Football     | Year 5 & 6   |
|           | Dance        | Year 6       |
| Wednesday | Flexibugs    | Reception    |
|           | Young Voices | KS2          |
| Thursday  | Fun Science  | Whole School |

More details can be obtained via the school office.

### Dates for your Diary

| Date                               | Event                                    |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> January | Y1 & Y4 Chinese New Year Workshops       |
| Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> January    | Reception, Y2 & Y5 Safari Park Roadshows |
| Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> February | Young Voices Concert                     |
| Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February  | Reception Class Assembly 9:15am          |
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> February    | Children's Mental Health Week            |
| Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> February   | Reception CLC day                        |

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|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> February | Year 4 Communion Meeting           |
| Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February  | Break up for half term             |
| Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> February  | Year 5 Swimming Fortnight begins   |
| Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup> February | Y6 Natural History Museum Workshop |
| Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> February  | Whole School Quiddich day          |
| Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March    | World Book Day                     |
| Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> March    | Kirkby Football League Match       |
| Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March      | Year 4 CLC day                     |
| Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> March      | Year 4 Swimming Fortnight begins   |
| Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> March     | KS2 Cross Country Race             |
| Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> March    | Year 3 Class Assembly 9:15am       |
| Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> March    | Year 4 Communion Meeting           |
| Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> March     | Y2 SEN Reviews                     |
| Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> March    | Y3 SEN Reviews                     |
| Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> March  | Y5 SEN Reviews                     |
| Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March   | Y6 SEN Reviews                     |
| Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> March   | Kirkby Football League Match       |
| Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March     | Year 3 Swimming Fortnight begins   |
| Monday 20 <sup>th</sup> March     | Y4 SEN Reviews                     |
| Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March     | Global Learning Week               |
| Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> April     | Year 5 Class Assembly 9:15am       |
| Tuesday 4 <sup>th</sup> April     | Break up for Easter                |
| Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April     | Return to school                   |
| Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> May        | Bank Holiday                       |
| Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> May        | Bank Holiday                       |

Mrs J. Ryan

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