



St Joseph the Worker Catholic Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Friday 29th September 2023

'A loving Christian family, striving to achieve excellence'

Dear Parents,

Thankyou to all those who came to and donated for our Macmillan Cake Sale this morning. It was wonderful for our School Council to be able to take part in this very worthwhile charity event. At first count, we have raised £137, but we still have cakes to sell to the children, so this is not our final total!!



A Big Happy Birthday this week to.....
 Ada from Reception who is 5 on Saturday,
 Jacob and Lyla from Year 2 who are 7,
 Lily and Alex from Year 3 who are 8,
 Mia from Y4 who is 9 and
 Quinn from Year 6 who is 11 on Sunday 😊

Next Weeks Lunches 2nd October

Monday	Tuesday	Wed	Thurs	Friday
Choice 1: Meatballs & pasta	Choice 1: Chicken Korma, rice & naan	Choice 1: Chicken Wrap, Wedges & Salad	Choice 1: Roast beef, Potatoes & vegetables	Choice 1: Fish fillet, Chips and Peas
Choice 2: Jacket Potato	Choice 2: Jacket Potato	Choice 2: Jacket Potato	Choice 2: Jacket Potato	Choice 2: Jacket Potato
Choice 3: Sandwich	Choice 3: Sandwich	Choice 3: Sandwich	Choice 3: Sandwich	Choice 3: Sandwich
Dessert: Frozen Yoghurt	Dessert: Brownie	Dessert: Jelly	Dessert: Cake	Dessert: Cookie

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 and costs just £1 per session. 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.

Term dates for this year

	<u>OPEN ON:</u>	<u>CLOSE ON:</u>
Autumn term 2023	4th September 6th November	26th October 20th December
Spring term 2024	4th January 19th February	9th February 26th March
Summer term 2024	8th April 10th June	24th May 19th July

Attendance & punctuality

For the Academic Year 2023-24

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	92%	Amber
Y1	97%	Green
Y2	95%	Yellow
Y3	93%	Yellow
Y4	92%	Amber
Y5	97%	Green
Y6	79%	Red
Whole school	93.6%	Yellow
Whole school for the half term	95%	Yellow

This week we have seen our attendance impacted by sickness and unauthorised holidays! Lets try and return to the strong attendance we saw in the first two weeks and maintain it during the Autumn term!

Applications for Primary places in Knowsley

The application process for September 2024 entry to Reception class of primary school and Year 7 transfer to secondary school will begin this month.

Full information regarding the process will be made available on the council admissions page [Apply for a school place | Knowsley Council](#) no later than 12th September 2023 and will include access to the online application portal which Knowsley residents can use to make an application for September 2024 entry.

The closing date to guarantee your application for Year 7 secondary transfer is considered in the initial allocation is 31st October 2023, Pupils applying to All Saints must also complete a supplementary form available from the school office.

The closing date to guarantee your application for Reception class entry is considered in the initial allocation is 15 January 2024. Pupils applying to a Catholic School must also complete a supplementary form available from the school office. Please note to be considered as a Catholic applicant you must produce evidence that your child was Baptised before 15th January 2024.

Easyfundraising We're now registered with Easy fundraising, which means you can help us for FREE. Over 7,000 brands will donate to us when you use Easy fundraising to shop with them - at no extra cost to yourself! All you need to do is sign up and remember to use Easy fundraising whenever you shop online. It's easy and completely FREE! These donations really mount up, so please sign up to support us and we are taking part in the new #easyfundraising Big September Sign-up giveaway, where we have the chance to win a £500 donation prize! Sign up to support us on easyfundraising and not only will you raise FREE donations for us with your everyday shopping, but it will count as an entry into the giveaway. This prize would make a big impact on our fundraising, so please sign up today:

<https://join.easyfundraising.org.uk/st-joseph-the-worker-cp/gpzhgic2s/3zfwjQxc/CE764/facebook/>

Curriculum Enrichment

PE days

Nursery: Friday

Reception: Wednesday (PE kit only needed after half term)

Year 1: Tuesday

Year 2: Tuesday

Year 3: Monday

Year 4: Thursday

Year 5: Tuesday

Year 6: Tuesday

Faith in Action

This year we will be inviting our Year 6 pupils to be involved in the Faith in Action Award. The award rewards active service in schools and encourages young people to shine the light of faith upon their service experiences. The award will allow us to celebrate, recognise and reward all that active young people of faith already give to the Church; but it also challenges those young people to deepen their relationship with God and change the world in which they live. It is things like Charity collections, CAFOD activities, Christmas Shoebox collections and visiting local community centres such as Care Homes. More information will be given out in the coming weeks.

KS2 Swimming

Well done to our Y5 & Y6 who have spent the last two weeks developing their swimming skills. Their behaviour has been excellent, and we are very proud of them. As mentioned on the newsletter they will receive 2 blocks of swimming this year due to the closures last year. The next block for Year 6 & Year 5 will be Monday 1st July for two weeks.

Year 3 and Year 4 will go swimming on:

Monday 4th March for 2 weeks

Monday 17th June for 2 weeks

Dates for your Diary

Date	Event
Wednesday 4 th October	Walk / roll to school day
Friday 6 th October	Harvest Fast Day
Monday 9 th October	School Space Week
Tuesday 17 th October	Kirkby Celebration of Achievement
Tuesday 17 th October	Year 4 SEN Reviews
Thursday 19 th October	Year 2 SEN Reviews
Friday 20 th October	Year 3 SEN Reviews
Monday 23 rd October	ENRICH Orienteering day
Monday 23 rd October	Science Club Launch Assembly
Monday 23 rd October	Year 5 SEN Reviews
Tuesday 24 th October	Year 6 SEN Reviews
Wednesday 25 th October	Year 3 Come and See Assembly 2pm
Thursday 26 th October	Year 4 CLC
Thursday 26 th October	Break up for half term
Monday 6 th November	Return to school
Friday 10 th November	Year 6 CLC
Monday 13 th November	Anti bullying week
Sunday 3 rd December	First Sunday of Advent
Monday 4 th December	Nursery and Reception Christmas Play am/pm
Wednesday 6 th December	Panto trip R-Y6 St Helens Theatre Royal
Thursday 7 th December	Christmas Jumper Day / Santa Dash
Friday 8 th December	Christmas Fayre
Tuesday 12 th December	Year 3 CLC
Tuesday 12 th December	Year 1 & Year 2 Christmas Play am/pm
Tuesday 19 th December	Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 & Year 6 Christmas Play am/pm
Wednesday 20 th December	Christmas Party Day
Wednesday 20 th December	Break up for Christmas
Thursday 4 th January	Return to school
Friday 19 th January	Shakespeare Cast Workshop

Mrs J. Ryan