

# St Joseph's Journal

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TH HUGE EASTER EGG FOR WINNER & PRIZES FOR RUNNERS UP!

EASTER EGG HUNT (WITH GUARANTEED

EGG PRIZE!)

HOOK

# Attendance

**Target 96.1%** 

Attendance this week

Reception	100%
Class 1	97.5%
Class 2	98.1%
Class 3	99.6%
Class 4	<b>97.6</b> %



As well as meeting your child(ren)'s teacher there will be stands in the hall to stop and take a look at so please feel free to come earlier or stop for a while after you have seen your children's books. If you have not done so already, please return your appointment slips to the main office.



Scholastic Book Fair in school all next week

Come and take a

magnificent variety of books on display after 3:30pm from Monday to Thursday next week. We are having a big focus at reading at the moment throughout the school, including the purchase of new reading books for the children to take home. Supporting the book fair is just one way that you can help the school to add new books to our current stock because the more books we sell, the greater the commission we receive to spend on new purchases!

## End of term Date: Thursday 18th April 3:30pm

A few parents have mentioned that they thought we were breaking up this week - this is just to confirm our school is open until Thursday 18th April when we will break up for Easter. We return back to school on Monday 29th April. Please help us to continue to build on our attendance figures and keep your child in school until the end of term. Thank you.

#### Netball Tournament

Well done to our amazing Netball team who took part in yesterday's tournament at Todmorden High School. Despite adverse weather



conditions (very cold and rainy), they played with team spirit, enthusiasm and secured 2nd place! Well done to you all, we are very proud.

Whole School Attendance this week

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Reception	Rayhaan Khan	Doing amazingly well in his Maths and Phonic assessments
Class 1	Mariam Ali	Working hard to improve her writing
Class 2	Oskar Hillock	Showing enthusiasm for learning with hands up for questions in English
Class 2	Kate Whitehead	Showing enthusiasm for learning with hands up for questions in English
Class 3	Musab Umair	Good Science work and going a bit further
Class 3	Natalia Opalinska and Rose Taylor	For their Picasso images in Art
Class 4	Junior-Paul Fawcett, Rhys Earnshaw, Louka-May Payne and Phoebe Fielden	
	For putting great effort in to learning to dance the Charleston with Coach Eleanor	

#### Sugar Swap Assembly

Staff from Calderdale's Better Living Team joined us for a 'sugar swap' assembly this morning where they spoke to children throughout the school about the importance of healthy life styles including drinking water and taking regular exercise. The main focus however was on how much sugar we should be limiting ourselves to every day, depending on our age. Even as adults we should have no more than the equivalent of 7 teaspoons a day and for our youngest children this should be as low as 4. The children looked at food and drink items and learnt how much sugar was in them - some of these results were shocking! They also then learnt about what they could enjoy and would taste very similar but would have so much less sugar - swapping a brand of milkshake for eg or swapping a chocolate muffin for a 2 finger kit kat, were just some suggestions. If you are interested in finding out more please take a look at Change 4 Life sugar swaps at <u>https://www.nhs.uk/change4life/cutting-back-sugar</u>





#### **Healthy Lunchboxes**

School meals made here at school are created to ensure your child gets a balance of all the essential nutrition and are a great choice, but if you do make a packed lunch for your child you may want to take a look at <u>www.nhs.uk/</u> <u>change4life/recipes/</u> <u>healthier-lunchboxes</u> to get fresh ideas on what a healthy lunchbox should contain, as well as lots of easy-to-prepare choices.



Class 2 Mass

Children in Class 2 attended Mass on Thursday and listened to Father Peter explaining how we should try to keep God at the centre of our lives, always trying our best to live a good and honest life.

The children were very respectful in their listening and particularly enjoyed the hot chocolate and biscuits that they shared with the parishioners afterwards. Father Peter also

took on a few of our children for an 'arm wrestle' before they had to come back to school for their usual lessons! It was a beautiful celebration and will be repeated with other classes over the final term.



### Riot Act - Year 5

Year 5 have been treated to a comedy performance by **The Riot Act** theatre company in conjunction with schools GoSmarter programme. The performance aims to educate its audience on the benefits of sustainable travel,



including independence, brain stimulation, reduction in traffic on the roads and saving money.



We are one of 14 schools in Calderdale who have entered the SAFE (Sustainable, Active, Fun and Environmental) travel cup competition to encourage pupils to walk to school. Watch this space...!