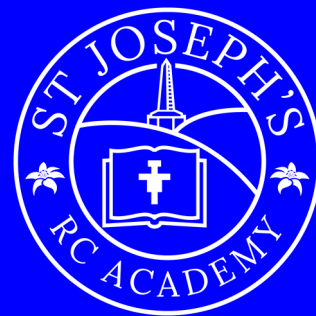


St Joseph's Journal

6TH NOVEMBER 2020



By 'everyone' staying Covid Safe and following government guidelines, we are enabling schools to remain open

As COVID case numbers have rapidly risen across the UK we must all act now to control the spread of the virus

When we reduce our day-to-day contact with other people, we reduce the spread of the infection. By avoiding meeting people who you do not live with and by staying at home, except for specific purposes such as going to work, school, daily exercise or food shopping, we are continuing to help save lives and protect our NHS

These new measures will reduce the growth rate of the virus which will enable schools to remain open. The government have taken the very tough decision to close businesses and hospitality once more and this is all in the hope that by doing so we will keep schools open and have something that resembles a normal Christmas

School staff continue to work really hard to keep themselves and your children safe while in school but unfortunately this can be compromised by people outside of school by not following the guidelines.

We would like to remind all parents that the following activities are breaking UK law and the police have the authority to issue fines and break up gatherings.

- ♦ Children going to each others houses for tea,
- ♦ children going to each others houses for sleep overs
- ♦ parents arranging children's birthday parties
- ♦ children who have been told to self isolate playing out with other children, going shopping, going out for meals with parents.
- ♦ Household members where there is a positive case being seen in public places such as supermarkets
- ♦ Parents meeting and socialising indoors and outdoors

Please avoid all of these activities. By everyone doing their bit, we help to keep our friends and family safe, our children, school staff and wider community safe.

Remember - Hands. Face. Space - Thank you



ROTARY CLUB SHOE BOX APPEAL

OUR SCHOOL WITH THE HELP OF THE 'MINI VINNIES' ARE TO JOIN IN AND HELP THE ROTARY CLUB IN THEIR SHOEBOX APPEAL THIS YEAR.



PLEASE CAN YOU HELP? WE NEED...

TOYS – dolls, cars, trucks, skipping ropes, yo-yo's, stuffed animals with CE label), balls and small puzzles.

STATIONARY ITEMS – colouring books, pencils, crayons and felt tips etc

HYGIENE ITEMS – toothbrush, toothpaste, bars of wrapped soap, bath bombs. Bubble bath, face flannels, hairbrush, combs and accessories

OTHER ITEMS – child hat, scarf and gloves OR DONATION OF MONEY TO BUY ITEMS

Any queries please see Mrs Green - we will start collecting **NOW** until **23rd November**.





Beech Scarlett - Always being a good role model

Cedar Musa - Working hard all week with a cheerful smile

Elm Summer - Always finishing her challenges in class

Larch Kian - Making a big improvement in focus & behaviour

Oak Alfi WP - For his participation in Science



Beech Colby-Jay - For his work on remembrance day

Cedar Lloyd - Learning his number bonds to 10

Elm Alicia - Superb Phonics work

Larch Fatimah - Fantastic RE work

Oak Yunus - Super work in both Maths and PE this week

Remembrance



Some of the Mini Vinnies made a short video to share with other classes for Remembrance Day. Whilst whole school assemblies are unable to be carried out they wanted to make a short video to remind other classes about remembering those who have not only fought in WW1 and WW2 but to also remember those soldiers and families who are still caught up in conflicts across the world. The pupils offered their own prayers along with a minutes silence.

Harvest Gifts

The Mini Vinnies handed over our 'Harvest Gifts' to Hannah from the food bank. We were unable to deliver them so they kindly sent Hannah to collect them adhering to social distancing, she kindly collected them outside school



off the pavement. Hannah told us that sadly at the moment donations have dropped due to COVID but there were still families struggling and asking for help. We have agreed to once again during December carry out our Reverse Advent Calendar and each class can collect certain items on set days. Hannah thanked the children for their care and commitment in helping the food bank and asked them to pass on her thanks from the food bank for supporting them and reminded the children about keeping themselves safe.

Friday 20th November 2020
£1 per team
(payment through School Gateway)
Login from 6.30 for a 7pm start
including a chance to see baby pictures of your teachers!
Prize hamper for the winners!!!

Children in Need



Friday 13th November

Non-uniform day in exchange for £1

Raffle tickets will also be on sale next week for 20p each

After School Clubs

Unfortunately at this time we have had to postpone all after school clubs for the duration of the national restrictions.
Watch this space for a return date.

Thank you for your understanding

ATTENDANCE

This week's attendance: 96.2%

This week's top class: Beech 100%

Attendance YTD: 94.2%