St Joseph's Journal



7TH MAY 2021

Parent Governor Elections

Thank you to all of you who took the time to enquire about the position of Parent Governor, even if you decided this was not something you would like to commit to at this time. We have two parents who are willing to stand for the next term of office and they are Mrs Karen Ross and Mr Paul Storah.

We are so grateful for them volunteering to fulfil this essential role in the Governing Board on behalf of you all. As there were just these two nominations, we were not required to send out any ballot papers for voting and they will take up their positions from our next meeting at the end of May.

We must also take this opportunity to thank Mrs Claire Lomax, who will now be stepping down as a parent Governor and thank her for all the support she has given the school, taking a lead role in matters regarding Pupil Premium children and English across the school to name but a few. Her dedication throughout her time on the Governing Body, especially during the numerous Ofsted visits and conversion to Academy Status can not be underestimated. On behalf of us all Claire, thank you.



We apologise that some of the parent meetings scheduled for this week have to be rearranged due to staff illness. Your child's class teacher will be in touch to arrange a mutually convenient time.

Thank you for your understand-

This was today's Year 5 Maths lesson.

Measuring aeroplane throws and adding decimals.







On 30 April 2020 CAFOD launched an emergency appeal for funds to support people who are still suffering greatly due to the Coronavirus. As a country we are far further along in 'returning to normality' than many other countries and as a school we would like to help those in greater need than ourselves.

On Friday next week, 14th May, we are going to hold a non uniform day for any pupils who are willing to donate 50p towards CAFOD's efforts to make this a recovery for all.

CAFOD's development work will ensure that people are able to continue to earn a living, and that children can continue their education in a safe environment.

By working together with local experts, CAFOD are reaching some of the most vulnerable and excluded with food and clean water, reducing suffering and saving lives.



Beech Tyler, A good role model & helpful to others

Cedar Miley, Brilliant work in class all week

Elm Ryley, For supporting his peers in Maths

Larch Jayden, For fantastic spellings progress

Oak Nicola, For her contribution in class



Beech Cassius, For his work on life cycles

Cedar Dexter P, Superb independent writing

Elm Ayat, Thoughtful work & presentation

Larch Liliana, For a brilliant playscript

Oak Kai & Sally, Super work in Maths

Can we please remind all Parents & Carers to give the school office 2 weeks notice for a change to your child's lunch schedule. We are seeing an increasing number of children swapping & changing without prior notification. The kitchen need accurate numbers on a daily basis to make sure that we have the correct number of meals for our pupils in school. In addition this also helps us to reduce any food waste. We thank you for your continued support.

School uniform

When we first returned in March and shops had not reopened we were more lenient with the expectations for children wearing the correct uniform. We would now like to remind all parents of the correct uniform for our school as set out on our school website:

At St. Joseph's we believe that school uniform is important, not only does it contribute to our sense of belonging together as a school family, it also means we look smart and instills a sense of pride of our school. We ask that all children wear our uniform.

Uniform A:

A Navy v-neck jumper to include the school logo A white shirt and school tie

Grey trousers or grey shorts with dark grey or black socks Black School Shoes

Uniform B:

A Navy v-neck jumper or cardigan to include the school logo A white shirt and school tie

A grey skirt with white, grey or navy socks or plain navy tights Black School Shoes

Navy, white or grey hair bobbles, ribbons and clips.

PE Kits:

Navy Shorts (available with logo option) or navy leggings Plain white TShirt (available with logo option)

Optional: Navy Hoodie with school logo

Children should work in bare feet for gymnastics and dance in the Hall.

Trainers for outside

As we mentioned last week, to complement our smart uniform that we are so proud of, for the Summer term, there is also an option to wear navy gingham dresses with the school cardigans, instead of the shirt and tie that is worn for the rest of the year.

The school office now have book bags and tie's back in stock.



Our Independent Reading with Bug Club is back!

This is used with our KS2 Pupils once they have completed their phonics programme and enables children to not only read daily but show their understanding through

comprehension tasks too. Each child has got their own log in details and can progress independently through the books that have been set especially for them.



Tuesday 11th May School Nursing Team in school

Friday 28th May break up for half term

Monday 7th June School reopens

Friday 16th July School closes for the end of term

Please avoid taking children out of school for holidays in term time—they have missed so much already and these absences will not be authorised. Thank you.