



# St Joseph's Junior School News



St Joseph's Junior School Newsletter  
Issue 3 – November 2022

## MESSAGE FROM MRS HARDY

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope this newsletter finds you well having had a restful and enjoyable half term break. The pupils have come back in great spirits ready and looking forward to the half term ahead.

You may well be aware from the letter that went out to all parents last week that we had a visit from 2 Ofsted Inspectors. This was a visit that the school were due as part of the 3 year monitoring cycle undertaken by all schools. The children and staff did themselves proud and I look forward to sharing the report with you when it is published in usually 20 to 30 days' time.

There is lots going on this term and as always, I do urge you to make a note of the different events coming up.

In the next couple of weeks, we will begin rehearsals for our Christmas Carol concert, and once I start hearing carols sung in school, Christmas comes very quickly. Instead of the traditional Christmas fayre we will be having a Christmas craft market on the last afternoon of the term. Each class will be preparing or making something Christmassy for parents to purchase.

Next week is National anti-bullying week and at St Joseph's we will be having a kindness day on Monday, celebrating kindness across the school. Children can come to school wearing odd socks to celebrate what makes us all unique.

We introduced a house points system at St Joseph's at the end of last term. The pupils voted for the house names (which are linked to their house colours). Mr Gayle updates us each Friday on how the houses are doing with a running total of the house points, please see the table further in the newsletter.

As always, we very much welcome parents and carers in school to volunteer and support. If you would like to come in either regularly or to help with a trip, please speak to your class teacher.

Mrs Hardy  
Executive Headteacher

## EVENTS AND REMINDERS

10 <sup>th</sup> November	Flu vaccinations
18 <sup>th</sup> November	Children in Need
24 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 6 cinema trip
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas jumper day
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Christmas lunch – book through Chartwells



Wear odd socks on **Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November** to celebrate what makes us unique.

## NEWS AND UPDATES

Job  
Vacancy  
Join our Team!

Job Vacancy – we have a vacancy at St Joseph’s Infant School for a Middy Meals Supervisor.

The hours are 11.45am-1.15pm, Monday to Friday.

Please contact the school office on 01243 782818 if you are interested.

In light of the announcement of His Majesty’s coronation on Saturday 6 May 2023, an additional bank holiday has been announced on Monday 8 May 2023.



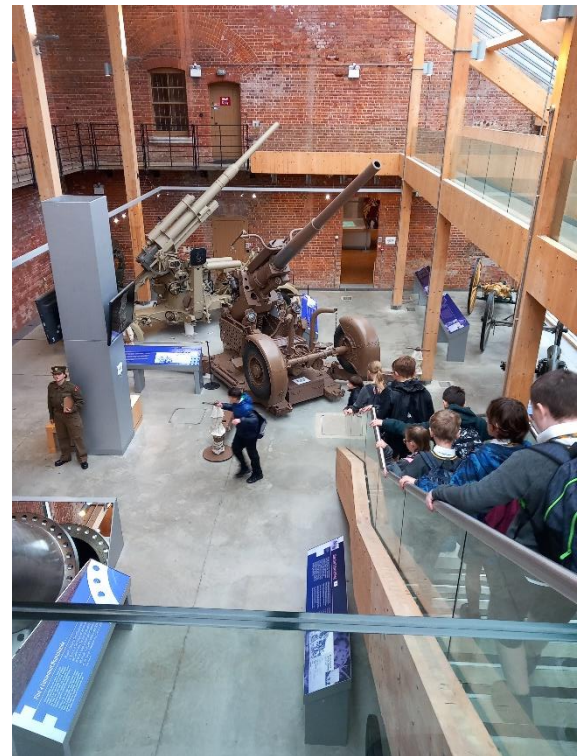
Please note that parking in the school car park is not permitted unless you hold a blue badge, are volunteering or this has been previously agreed. You are not able to park on site if you are dropping your child into school. Please also do not block the double gates on the main road as these are used for emergency access.



Every other week, we welcome pupils and staff from Bishop Luffa School to lead our Collective Worship. It is always great to welcome back some familiar faces.



Year 6 enjoyed a trip to Fort Nelson where they learnt what it would have been like to be a soldier in the home guard during WWI.



# House Points Update

Oaklands House	Pallant House	Novium House	Goodwood House
<u>POINTS</u>			
<b>343</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>290</b>
<u>POSITION</u>			
<b>3RD</b>	<b>1ST</b>	<b>2ND</b>	<b>4TH</b>

## INTERNET SAFETY

The following information is taken  
from internet matters



## Making the most of screen time

### Assess how and where they use devices

- Based on your child's routine, think about when and where they are using their device to establish when it would be better for them to unplug and focus on other activities. Generally, it is best not to be on devices right before bed or keep them in bedrooms at night.

### Examine what they are doing online

- Not all online activities are created equal – take the time to assess how particular activities that your child is doing can help or hinder their development as they grow.
- Ask yourself – Is this activity helping my child achieve a goal, improve their development in a certain area, promote their sense of self, or build-up skills that will help them make smart choices as they grow?

### Look at your relationship with screens

- Review your own relationship with screens to address how this may be affecting your digital use.
- Is there anything that you can do in your interactions that will give them the confidence to build a healthier relationship with tech?

## FRIENDS OF ST JOSEPH'S

The Junior School will be having a Christmas craft market on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December from 2pm. Come along and purchase our wonderful Christmas crafts.

**Date of the next meeting is Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November at 3.30pm in the Junior school. We always welcome new members.**

## STAR OF THE WEEK

<b>Week Ending</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> November
<b>St Wilfrid</b>	Arthur, Albie
<b>St Anne</b>	Lana, Sophia
<b>St Pancras</b>	Jacob, Joel
<b>St Richard</b>	Adam J, Lola
<b>St Olave</b>	Amelia, Omar
<b>St Bartholomew</b>	Adrijus, Nikola
<b>St Paul</b>	Albert, Helan

**Well done to those pupils who have been recognised by their teachers in our Friday Celebration Assembly.**

### Autumn T1 pupil excellence awards

Each 1st half term, St Joseph's will be giving excellence awards to pupils chosen by their teacher.

Here are the pupils who were awarded our first Excellence awards:

<b>St Wilfrid</b>	<b>Daisy, Antonio, Amari</b>
<b>St Anne</b>	<b>Poppy, Jessica, Joann</b>
<b>St Pancras</b>	<b>Freya, Evie, George S</b>
<b>St Richard</b>	<b>Nasif, Rachel, Dante</b>
<b>St Olave</b>	<b>Amelia, Harley G, Omari</b>
<b>St Bartholomew</b>	<b>Daniel, Jake, Tilly M</b>
<b>St Paul</b>	<b>Isabella, Ruby S, Keagan</b>

A **BIG well done** to these pupils

Attendance for all our pupils is vitally important. St Joseph's take pupil's attendance seriously and attendance is monitored weekly. Understandably pupils can be ill and be unable to come to school. I urge you to consider carefully if your child is too unwell to attend school. In our weekly assembly's we encourage all the pupils to be an attendance HERO. **H**ere **E**veryday **R**eady **O**n time



Attendance is mandatory and Government guidance states that “it is a parent’s duty to ensure their child regularly attends school”

The school and local authorities have the ability to issue sanctions including fixed penalty notices, for poor attendance.

**Our school day starts at 8.40am, it is important that your child be here for the start of the school day. Unauthorised absences due to lateness can also be referred to the Pupil Entitlement Investigation team for a Fixed Penalty Notice**

Attendance Matters!



Every Student, Every School, Every Day

## CLUBS

	Club	Lead	Year groups	Number of spaces	Times
<b>Monday</b>	Drama Club	Mr Ginns	3-4	FULL	3.15pm-4pm
	Performance Poetry	Mr Gayle	5-6	12	3.15pm-4pm
	Boxercise	Ellie Wright	3-6	FULL	3.15pm-4pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Football	Mr Smigielski Mr Lehmann	3-6	FULL	3.15pm-4pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Dance	Hellcats Cheerleading Dance teacher	3-6	FULL	3.15pm-4.15pm
	Tennis	Ellie Wright	3-6	15	3.15pm-4pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Performance Poetry	Miss Margetson	3-4	12	3.15pm-4pm
	Choir	Chris Larley	3-6	20	3.15pm-4pm
<b>Friday</b>	Forest School	Jen Keel, Chichester Forest School <i>This will be on the Infant school site</i>	3-6	FULL	3.15pm-5pm
	Badminton	Mr Gayle	3-6	FULL	3.15pm-4pm

**All spaces are allocated on a first come first served basis.**

To register your child for a club please email the school office: [office@stjosephscejunior.school](mailto:office@stjosephscejunior.school), you will receive an email confirming if your child has a place.

- *Cheerleading club on a Monday has been cancelled.*

# TERM DATES

## School Year Dates 2022/2023

<b>Autumn Term 2022</b> Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2022	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> December 2022
<b>Half Term</b> Monday 24 <sup>th</sup> October 2022	Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October 2022
<b>Spring Term</b> Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup> January 2023	Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> March 2023
<b>Half Term</b> Monday 13 <sup>th</sup> February 2023	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February 2023
<b>Summer Term</b> Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> July 2023
<b>Half Term</b> Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May 2023	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> June 2023



**Inset Days:** Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022, Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2022

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> January 2023, Monday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2023,

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023, Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023

**Bank Holidays:** Monday 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023, Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023

*We would like to remind you that St Joseph's Junior School is a nut free school*