

ST JOSEPH'S CE JUNIOR SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



8th September 2023 - 1

MESSAGE FROM MRS KOISTON

What a wonderful few days we have had so far! It is lovely to be back together in our school community. The children have done really well with all the changes to classrooms, outside areas and where to go to find things. I'm really proud at how well they have adapted. Please remember that you are invited into school on 19th September at 3.30 for our new 'Three weeks in' meeting. This is an opportunity to meet the teacher, find out about the curriculum and understand the expectations in your child's new year group. Please do come along.

The clubs list will go out on Monday 11th September. Information on how to sign up will be included in the letter. We added a wider range of clubs in the summer term last year, including football and create club. This was in response to parental feedback. Please do get in touch if there is something that your child might be interested in doing and we will see if we can add it to our club choices in the future.

Mathematics is an area we are focusing on as a school team this year. We would appreciate your support by ensuring your child complete their mathematics homework every week and encouraging them to log onto times table rock stars to practice their multiplication tables. More information about homework will be given at the 'Three Weeks In' meeting.

As always, please do get in touch with myself or a member of the team if you have any questions, or anything that we can help with.

Kind regards,

Mrs Koiston

School Uniform Reminder

Grey trousers, pinafore
dresses or skirts

White collared shirt

School tie

Grey with gold band school
jumper or cardigan

Grey or white socks

Black shoes (not trainers)

Gold/yellow or grey
headband



Do you need support?

For children who are not FSM eligible but who's families need urgent support with food here in West Sussex there is a Community Hub operating.

The Community Hub can be contacted on 0330 222 7980 and is open 09:00 – 17:00 seven days a week. Further information can be found via the West Sussex County Council website.



As you are aware the ordering system for school meals including free school meal children has changed. All children that have a hot meal including free school meal children have to have a meal ordered via Parentpay. If you do not order your child a hot meal by the cut off day of each Thursday at midday and they normally have a hot meal, the school will order them a jacket potato. If you require any assistance, please contact the school office immediately.

Please note you are able to order in advance rather than weekly.

HOT MEALS INFORMATION

REGULAR ATTENDANCE MEANS PUNCTUAL ATTENDANCE

Please remember in September:

- Gates open at 8.25am
- Classroom doors open at 8.30am
- Gates close at 8.45am

School attendance is important because the law requires it. As a parent you are legally responsible for making sure your child gets a full-time education. This means registering your child at school and making sure they attend regularly.



Ready, Respectful and Safe at St Joseph's CE Junior School

Be Ready to learn:



Be on time

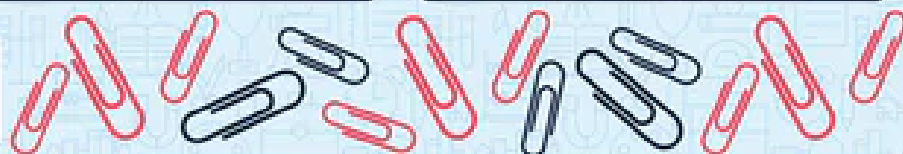


**Have all my
equipment**



**Enter the
classroom
calmly**

Be Respectful:



Show wonderful walking in the corridors

**Look after
all school
property**



**Stop and
listen when
an adult
raises
their hand**



**Show pride
in my
learning
and
presentation**



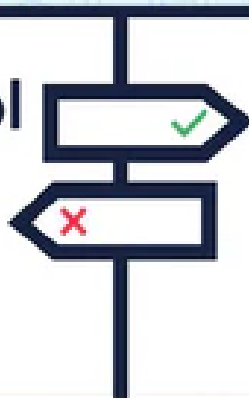
Be Safe:



Be polite to all others



**Follow school
rules for
health
and safety**



**Play safely
at break
and lunch
times**





STARS OF THE WEEK

St Teresa - Declan and Ava-Mai

St Francis - Sophia, Imogen and Vince

St Paul - Harriet, Dexter and Osman

St Cecilia - Zach and Sophia

St Martin - Lacey and all the class

St Bernadette - Isabelle and Aitana

St Richard - Jamie and Olivia

Well done to all pupils who received an award this week. We are so proud of you.



Dates List 2023/24

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| 6th September | First day of Autumn Term |
| 11th September | Y5 Planetarium Trip |
| 19th September | 3.30pm - Three Weeks in Meeting Talk for parents from classes teachers about life in their new class, curriculum overviews and expectations |
| 2nd October | 9.30 - Harvest Festival at St Paul's Church |
| 3rd October | Flu Vaccinations |
| 4th and 5th October | Bookfest – Letter to follow |
| 20th October | Learning plans sent to parents of children on the SEND register |
| w/c 23rd October | HALF TERM |
| 30th October | First day back after half term |
| 31st October | Light Party – Disco in the hall. Tickets £3 per child. More details to follow. |
| 7th and 9th November | Parent Consultation Evenings. Appointments available to book from 30th October |
| w/c 13th November | Anti-Bullying Week |
| 12th December | Christmas Service at St Paul's Church |
| 13th December | Christmas Fair - 3.30 - 5pm |
| 15th December | Last day of term |
| w/c 18th December | CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS |
| w/c 25th December | CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS |

All dates are subject to change and will be added to as we go through the term.