



FEBRUARY 2017

# NEWSLETTER

## Visit to Berwick



41 Year 3 and 4 children and 5 staff are off to Berwick on a Residential Visit from 14th-16th February, 2017.

The programme of activities includes team building and problem solving activities on the beach and a visit to the Grace Darling Museum at Bamburgh.

Let's hope the sun puts in an appearance!



## Twitter Feed



We now have a school Twitter feed. Please log onto the school website and follow the link to receive the latest news from St. Joseph's

## School Meals

**A reminder that meals MUST be paid BEFORE they are taken, therefore we expect payments by Monday for the week ahead.**

You are able to pay larger sums of dinner money at any time to cover longer periods.

Each family should now have their log in details for School Money. Should you require a PayPoint slip, please inform the office.

**CHILDREN MUST FOLLOW THE SAME MEAL PATTERN FOR ONE WHOLE WEEK AT A TIME.**

If your child changes their meal pattern they must inform their class teacher during Monday registration.



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**Attendance** ★ **WOW!**

## 100% Attendance

More than 170 children with 100% attendance have been entered into a prize draw at Celebration Assembly each week to win a £5 book voucher.



Grand prize draw after half term (3th March) for all children who have achieved the school attendance target of at least 96% from 9th January - 17th February 2017.

£25 book voucher prize.

Our current attendance for this year is 95.99%

## Reporting an Absence

Thank you for continuing to use the school's answerphone service to report a pupil absence. This saves important parent/office time. However, please ensure you speak slowly and clearly stating name, class and reason.

## Contact Numbers

**PLEASE ENSURE WE HAVE UP TO DATE PHONE NUMBERS FOR CONTACTS.**



Unfortunately, we are still finding that, when a child is poorly, we can not contact some parents.

## Building Works to Main Entrance

The main entrance will be out of use from Wednesday 15th February. Whilst work is being done, the school office can be accessed from 8.45am-9.15am and 2.45pm-3.20pm via the doors from the playground used by Year 1 and 5.

If families need access to school during the school day, please contact the school office and a member of staff will open the doors from the playground. We would appreciate such requests only in the event of an emergency.

Thank you in anticipation of your patience and co-operation at this time.



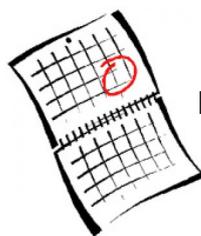
School Website

[www.stjosephsrcprimary.co.uk](http://www.stjosephsrcprimary.co.uk)

## Parent Governor

The term of office of Mr Michael Keller, one of our Parent Governors, has come to an end. Mr Keller is happy to continue in this role and serve another 4 year term of office as Parent Governor unless another Parent/Carer would like to come forward to be Parent Governor, in which case an election would be held.

Please let the school office know by **Friday 3rd March** if you would like to be considered for Parent Governor.



## Half-Term Holiday

Reminder: school closed for half term holiday 20th - 24th February.

School re-opens on **Monday 27th February, 2017**

Our next Training day: Thursday 13th April, 2017

## Safeguarding

Mrs Noble delivered an assembly to children at KS1 and KS2 to mark 'Safer Internet Day - 7th February, 2017'.

Parents/Carers of children in school attended an 'Anti-Bullying' presentation delivered by Mrs S Clennell, Safeguarding Consultant, on 7th February.

There will be a further assembly for parents/carers on Tuesday 21st March, delivered by Mr J Hughes on behalf of Clennell Education Solutions.

This assembly will focus on e-safety and will also showcase some of the work children do within the Computing Curriculum.



**St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School**  
has been rated - **GOOD**



"Pupils enjoy their learning, want to succeed and are proud of their school."

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together with Christ.

