



World Book Day

We will celebrate a belated World Book Day on Tuesday 13th March. All children (and staff) are invited to wear book related costumes to school tomorrow. The children will enjoy a range of activities throughout the day to enhance their knowledge and love of books and reading.

Free Books

If you, or your child, are not yet members of the library World Book Day is a good reminder of the ease with which you can pop in and join up. It only takes a couple of minutes to register and then a lifetime of free books awaits you. Later in the year we plan to have a library card day where everybody who brings their library membership card in to school will qualify for a treat.

Raglan Rd Parking

Unfortunately on Friday after school I received a visit from one of our neighbours who lives in the flats on Raglan Rd just opposite the school. He, very politely, pointed out the problems that residents are facing when our parents use their parking spaces. The residents there have to pay for the reserved parking spaces and are understandably annoyed when they return home to find their parking space occupied by one of our parents waiting to collect their child from school. The parking bays are on private land and even residents have been known to get fines if they do not display their parking permits. I understand that the rain on Friday meant that more people than normal brought a car to collect their child rather than to walk, however can you please at all times treat our neighbours with respect. We depend on our neighbours to 'keep an eye' on the school when we are closed and, of course, want them to have a positive view of the high standards of respect and consideration that we try to instil in the children at St Joseph's. We encourage as many families as possible to make their journey to and from school on foot, bike or scooter. If you do need to use a car on your journey please do not park in the residents' bays. Brickfields car park is only a short walk away.

Half Marathon

The weather has not been kind to us as far as preparing for the half marathon is concerned. We had hoped that the children would have totted up five or six miles by running at lunchtimes by now. Due to the weather nobody has yet started accumulating any miles at all. To avoid having to try to cram twelve miles into a short space of time when the weather allows in school, we will give each child a personal record card where you can verify any running that they have done at home. This can count towards their overall total. Most children who registered for the half marathon have paid the £11 entry costs. If you have not paid yours yet, please do so through School Money.

Treasure Island

The Friends of St Joseph's have very generously offered to pay for the whole school to be treated to a production of M&M Theatre Company's Treasure Island. The performance will be in the school hall on Wednesday 21st March.

Tempest Photos

The photographer from Tempest Photos will be in school on Tuesday 20th March to take individual and family group photos. If you would like any pre-schoolers to have their photos taken, either on their own, or with their elder sibling(s) please come through the main entrance to the school and wait in the hall from 8.30 onwards.

Also Next Week

Thur 22nd-Whole School Mass & Friends Cake Festival. Fri 23rd Sport Relief Inter-House Football.

Polish Translation

The only feedback we had from the Polish translation of the last newsletter was that it was not very good and for us not to trust Google Translate. If you have a differing view please let us know.