



Sport's Update



@StJosephsW

(please tweet us with any sporting achievements your child makes outside school)

Wirral Hockey Champions

Our hockey team produced an incredible performance last week to win the Wirral Games Hockey Tournament.

We won 5 games, without conceding a single goal, beating off the challenge of Rock Ferry, Leasowe, Woodchurch Road, St Michaels and St Joseph's Birkenhead in the process.

Our team will now go forward to the Merseyside Youth Games to represent Wirral against the best schools across the region in our first ever Level 3 competition.

PE Kit

Don't forget to return your child's PE kit to school if you have not already done so.

Thank you

Congratulations to Melissa, Kaitlyn, Kyle and Joseph for this stunning result.

F2/KS1 Cheerleading

There is going to be a cheerleading club starting in school on the first Thursday back after Easter (20th April). The club is aimed at Foundation stage, Year 1 and 2 children.

Cheerleading is a combination of dance and gymnastics and requires a lot of fitness and energy.

If you are interested in your child taking part please fill in the permission slip that has been sent home, or alternatively see Miss Douglas at the office who will put your name of the list.

**Only 30 spaces -
so first come first served!**

Low Bank Ground



The residential for next year's Year 6 has been confirmed as Low Bank Ground. After feedback from last year we have decided to go for a full week (15th January 2018).

The cost is £250 however we will be working with the PTA to reduce this cost as much as possible using fundraising. There will be a letter to confirm your child's place, however you can start paying the money as soon as you like at the office. You can pay as much or as little as you want in instalments, with the final payment due the first week of December 2017. Thank you in advance for your support.

The Friends of Seacombe Library invite you

a FREE Easter Hopper Arty event on Tuesday 4th April from 2.30pm to 4.30pm including 'Easter Card Making' and an 'Easter Hopper' craft plus a Colouring Competition with prizes and FREE refreshments. Adults can also join in with the card making if they're feeling creative at no charge. There'll be storytelling and songs for the younger children and we're hoping to create a fantastic community event.

ALSO on Tuesday 4th April from 10.00am to 11.00am, There will be an 'Easter Bouncing Babies' session with songs and rhymes for babies aged from birth to two years old. (Older siblings welcome). Musical instruments and toys will be provided and free refreshments for all who take part. Hope to see you there

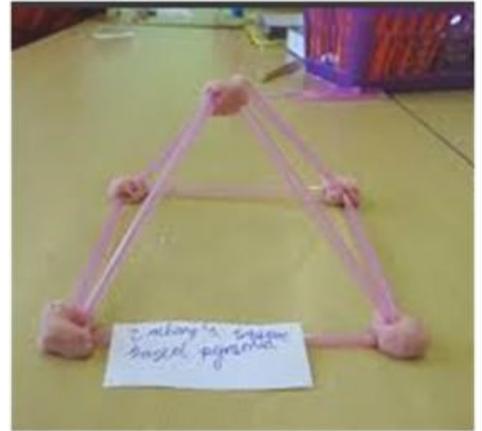
Another busy week for Year 2



This week Year 2 have had a fantastic time at the West Kirby Concourse taking part in an inter-schools sports event. The children took part in cheerleading, karate and multi-skills sessions. They particularly enjoyed learning self-defence and learning to count in Japanese. The children were a credit to the school, and worked hard on their fitness in each of the sessions.

In English Year 2 have been using their work on recounts to write about their sports trip. They are working hard to include adjectives and adverbs to make their writing more exciting.

Recently in maths we have been learning about the properties of 3d shapes. They made models of 3d shapes using straws and blue tack, then described their properties on an app on the ipads.



PTA NEWS



EASTER BONNET COMPETITION

Children's Easter Bonnet
competition £1 to enter



Easter Egg Hamper
for the winner
Judging will be on
Friday 31st March



The PTA held 2 craft sessions this week to make cards and gifts for Mother's Day. This was a huge success attended by over 70 children and parents.
A BIG thank you to both Emma Nicholas and Alicia Stark. Thank you girls!

School Attendance

Attendance is good at present, well done to all who have still got 100%!

It is a key priority for us to ensure that attendance remains at **95% or above**.

And to everyone who has made such an effort this week to be in school every day

Attendance overall including Foundation Stage: 91%

Attendance overall without Foundation Stage: 94%

Those who have already fallen below national average will be invited into Attendance Panel or receive a home visit from our Education Social Worker, Steve Clayton.

CLASS	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
Foundation 1 (am): Miss Salisbury	88%	71%
Foundation 1 (pm): Miss Salisbury	73%	78%
Foundation 2: Miss Howard	92%	97%
Foundation 2: Mrs Hollis	87%	89%
Year 1: Miss L Turner	98%	94%
Year 1: Miss J Turner	96%	93%
Year 2: Miss Last	90%	93%
Year 3: Miss Davies	96%	94%
Year 3:/4 Miss Finnigan	98%	95%
Year 4: Miss Morgan	98%	95%
Year 5 Mr Clare	98%	88%
Year 5: Mr Morris	95%	97%
Year 6 Miss Lewtas	99%	99%
Year 6:Mr McCann	92%	89%

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Seacombe Library
Presents*



Easter Hopper Free Arty Event

Tuesday 4th April
2:30pm - 4:30pm

Easter Card Making & Easter Hopper Craft
plus Easter colourings,
Storytelling and songs (for younger children)

Free refreshments for all
taking part.

Adults are welcome to join in
and make Easter cards too.
A wonderful community event.



Baptismal Preparation

If you wish to have your child baptised at
St Joseph's church you will need to attend a
Baptism Preparation Meeting

The next meeting is 2pm

Sunday 14th May

in

St Alban's Parish Hall

You don't need to book a place,
just come along for an informal hour
of information and to collect
an application form

Completed forms should be returned to the
Parish Office to arrange a date



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

“Together in faith we nurture, encourage and inspire each other to achieve excellence and become all that Jesus calls us to be”



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23rd March 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Easter Assemblies

Next week our children will be leading our preparations for Easter through a series of special assemblies to recall the events of Holy Week. We would love you to come and join us at these special celebrations which will take place next week beginning at 9.20am. The themes and dates of the assemblies are given below:

Monday 27th March:

Palm Sunday assembly led by Year 3 Miss Davies

Tuesday 28th March:

**Maundy Thursday assembly led by Year 5
Mr Clare/Mr Morris**

Wednesday 29th March:

Good Friday Assembly led by Year 4 Miss Morgan

Thursday 30th March:

**Easter Sunday assembly led by Year 3/4F
Miss Finnigan**

Golden Assembly 23rd March 2017

Miss Salisbury	Zac McNamara-Marsden
Miss Howard	Luke Donnelly
Mrs Hollis	Dylan O'Quigley
Miss L Turner	Miya Boyd
Miss J Turner	Luke McNamara-Marsden
Miss Last	Tallulah Cleary
Miss Davies	Jake Cullimore
Miss Finnigan	Andrew Bell
Mrs Morgan	Connor Costello
Mr Clare	Kaitlin Murphy
Mr Morris	Robbie Keelan
Miss Lewtas	Callum Cowderoy
Mr McCann	Charlie Mitchell

First Forgiveness

Our First Forgiveness Service for all children enrolled on the sacramental programme will take place on Thursday 30th March at 5.00pm in church. All children should wear school uniform and will need to be in church no later than 4.50pm. We look forward to celebrating with you and your child this very important sacrament on their faith journey.

Reading Challenge

It is so wonderful to see the children's enthusiasm for, and participation in the Reading Challenge already in week 1. They have been so excited to share their progress with their class and their teachers. The challenge given to the children is to aim to read as many of our Reading Challenge books as possible before the end of the year. Above all we want to promote a real love of books and we hope this will inspire them to read many more books of their choice. Please continue to support us in encouraging your child to rise to the Reading Challenge. Rewards will be presented to children in our weekly Golden Assembly.

Easter Bonnet Competition

Following on from their very popular Mothers' Day craft activities the PTA have organised an Easter Bonnet competition for the last day of term. It's time to get creative with your child in designing and making their very own Easter Bonnet. There will be rewards for all children who enter, together with winning prizes for the best entries in the Foundation Stage, Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. We will have a special Easter Bonnet Parade on Friday 31st March at 11am. It will be a lovely way to finish our Easter Week celebrations and we look forward to seeing you there.

School will close for the Easter break on Friday 31st March with school finishing at the earlier time of 2.00pm.

Children return to school on Monday 17th April.

Every blessing

Mrs Vernon