

SUMMER TERM - KEY DATES

Sunday 14th May

Please join us at 11am in St Joseph's Church for a Family Mass led by our Year 3 and F2 pupils

Tuesday 16th May at 5.00 pm

Holy Communion Meeting for parents and children

Saturday 10th June at 10.00am

First Holy Communion Thanksgiving Mass

Wednesday 14th June - pm

Sports day – Foundation Stage (Nursery and Reception) time to be confirmed

Friday 16th June at 3.30 pm

School Summer Fair ~ please see notice on page 4!

Thursday 22nd June:

Sports Day – KS2 am; KS1 pm

Friday 30th June

Year 6 London trip

Wednesday 19th July:

Year 6 Leavers Mass

SPORTS UPDATE

@StJosephsW (please tweet us with any sporting achievements your child makes outside



Y3/4 Cricket Festival

On Wednesday Miss Davies and Miss Finnigan's class went to Old Parkonians cricket club to experience a festival of diamond cricket.

Diamond cricket is an exciting new version of cricket, with 4 wickets instead of 2.

The children had some coaching and then played friendly matches against 9 other schools. The children's behaviour was exceptional and they had a lovely day in the sun!

There are cricket sessions on at New Brighton cricket club, Wallasey cricket club and Central Park on Friday nights if your child has

developed an interest for the game. Please go to this link for more details on local clubs, and how to get involved. www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars

Sport's Day

Sport's day dates have now been set.

Foundation Stage:

Wed 14th June

(pm -Time to be confirmed)

KS1:

Thursday 22nd June

(1.15-3.15pm)

KS2:

Thursday 22nd June

(10:00-12:00)

Events will be a mixture of competitive and inclusive activities. We hope to see you there supporting your

Y3-4 Rugby

One of our parents, Mark Quinn has very generously offered some of his time to run a morning Tag-Rugby club from 8:15am on Mondays.

Mark is a coach for under 8s rugby at Anselmians RUFC in Eastham, and is looking to recruit new Rugby Players for his team.

The club is aimed at Y3-4 but anyone who is interested is welcome.

Please register your interest with Mrs Douglass at the school office, or if your child is signed up for breakfast club they will be able to attend. The club starts on Monday 8th May.

PE

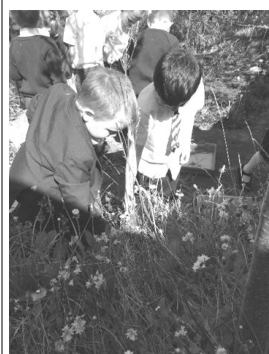
Don't forget to return your child's PE kit to school if you have not already done so. Thank you

Power of Reading in Year One!



We have had lots of fun this week in our Literacy lessons. For our Power of Reading books: *The Bog Baby* and *The Robot and the Bluebird* we have been getting creative. For the children reading *The Bog Baby*, we have created our own

habitats for the Bog Baby to live in, just like the sisters do in the story. To do this we explored the school grounds and collected bluebells, leaves,



sticks, twigs, mud, shells and pebbles. We made sure our homes were really comfortable so that the Bog Baby would feel happy. The children really enjoyed being creative and the outdoor learning. We are



now focusing in our lessons on writing a set of instructions for how to make a Bog Baby home, using our Pi Corbett techniques to support us.

For the children reading *The Robot and the Bluebird*, the children painted pictures of

Robots for display. The children had some fantastic ideas for what a Robot should look like and were very inventive. The children are now focusing on letter writing and learning about the

features of a letter.



The children are really enjoying exploring their Power of Reading books and engaging in all of the activities.

Year 3/4



In English we have been using the Iron man text to explore different types of literature.

We used descriptive words and phrases from the text to create our own images of how we think the Iron Man may have looked.

We used chalk and charcoal to create our wonderful pictures.



We then used lots of similes to describe the Iron man.

- 'as big as a bedroom'
- 'as wide as the ocean'
- 'taller than a giraffe'

A special mention to Alfie who was so interested and excited by our Iron man topic that he went home and made his own iron man using old Easter egg boxes and tin foil – what a great idea!



School Attendance

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

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

Attendance overall including Foundation Stage: 92%

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.

Attendance Panels will take place on 25th May

CLASS	LAST WEEK	THIS WEEK
Foundation 1 (am): Miss Salisbury	90%	86%
Foundation 1 (pm): Miss Salisbury	81%	75%
Foundation 2: Miss Howard	86%	94%
Foundation 2: Mrs Hollis	83%	93%
Year 1: Miss L Turner	91%	89%
Year 1: Miss J Turner	93%	93%
Year 2: Miss Last	88%	95%
Year 3: Miss Davies	92%	95%
Year 3:/4 Miss Finnigan	96%	100%
Year 4: Morgan	96%	97%
Year 5 Mr Clare	92%	91%
Year 5: Mr Morris	96%	94%
Year 6: Miss Lewtas	99%	99%
Year 6:Mr McCann	90%	93%




SUMMER FAIR
3.30pm
FRIDAY 16th JUNE

In preparation for the Summer Fair we are having non-uniform days on

12th and 26th May
 9th and 16th June

When we will be asking the children to bring items for the stalls
 Toiletries ~ Bottles
 Food ~ Chocolate
 and Cakes on the day of the Fair!!



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”

Headteacher Mrs K Vernon
School Office 12th May 2017



Dear Parents and Carers

Year 6

Congratulations to Year 6 on their fantastic attitude this week in their SATs tests. We are so proud of their effort and commitment, not just this week but throughout the year. They always give of their best and they should all feel very proud of themselves. I am sure they will enjoy their well-earned celebration next week. Thank you to you all for the many ways in which you have supported your child.



I want also to say a huge thank you to the Year 6 staff and all the teachers who have worked so hard to support the children and help them prepare. They have been so generous in both their time and commitment.

First Holy Communion Meeting

Our final preparation meeting will take place on Tuesday 16th May at 5.00 at Church. We are also looking forward to our Family Mass on Sunday 14th May at 11.00 which will be an opportunity for all the children to take part alongside the parish. The children will be supported by our Foundation 2 class and we would also love the rest of the Year 3 children to join us. Children should arrive at church at 10.50. We look forward to seeing you there.



Staying safe in the sun

Now the weather is getting warmer please could we advise that you provide a cap or hat and sunscreen for your child during summer days for use on the playground and school trips. Although staff can supervise the application of sun screen we cannot apply it if it has not been provided by the child's parent; this is due to the risk of an allergic reaction. We are currently looking into purchasing caps for all our children in the Foundation Stage and into the availability of caps with a school logo that parents can buy from our school uniform suppliers. More information will follow in due course.



Collecting your child

Please could we ask that you inform school staff if someone different is collecting your child from school. For safeguarding reasons staff will not let a child go with an adult unless we have received information to that effect from the child's parent or carer. Thank you for your cooperation.

Have a lovely weekend

God bless

Mrs Vernon

Golden Assembly 12th May 2017

Miss Salisbury	Amelia
Miss Howard	Darcie
Mrs Hollis	George
Miss L Turner	Jayden
Miss J Turner	Olivia
Miss Last	Rhian
Miss Davies	Rhys
Miss Finnigan	Alfie
Mrs Morgan	Simeon
Mr Clare	Shannon
Mr Morris	Nicole
Miss Lewtas	Whole Class
Mr McCann	Whole Class