

At St Joseph's we Love, Learn and Live by the example of Jesus Christ

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Dear Parents

It was good to see so many of you at our recent Open Evenings. I was glad to hear that you are pleased with the progress your child is making, and that their hard work at school is being supported at home. Please continue to focus on this as it is your interest and encouragement, along with high expectations, that really makes the difference in added school achievement. Research always tells us that a child's desire for learning and their aptitude to work comes first and foremost from us as parents. Keep up the good work – thank you.

The Governors, with the support of the Diocese, have now begun recruitment proceedings to secure my replacement for September 2018. In addition to the usual national adverts, word of mouth often proves to be a successful advertising tool. If you know of anyone who may be interested in this post, please ask them to follow this link:

<https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/headteacher-harrow-1032366>

There is further information on our school website.

Finally – and for the last time – I would like to offer my commiserations to all Spurs fans in advance of their impending defeat on Saturday!

Have a good half term holiday with your children.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'P Sutton', is placed over a light blue rectangular background.

Mr P Sutton
Headteacher

NEWS

CAFOD ASSEMBLY – 29TH JANUARY 2018

At an assembly, Barbara Doherty (a lady from CAFOD) came to join us to tell us all about the way we can transform people's lives during Lent. What we have to do is donate some money-by putting pennies into a triangular box- and then the Government will double our amount. This will go to children in developing countries that don't have enough food or energy to stay happy and healthy.

If we fill our box with 1p and 2p coins, our sum of money will give 10 children vaccinations, so that they don't die from common diseases! If we fill our box up with 10p and 20p coins, we will give a family a goat, so that they can produce milk from it. This will give them enough milk to drink for a very long period of time. If we fill our box with 50p coins and £1.00 coins we will give three families clean water. This will prevent them from catching many diseases and they won't have to travel miles every day to collect dirty water.

By doing this as a school, we're not just helping others, we are showing them the true meaning of life-happiness! The way we are raising money is to give up something we enjoy, like chocolate or sweets for example, and putting the money we have saved in the box. It is important to give alms during Lent.

By Victoria Gawron 6W



The school is committed to promoting the health and welfare of all pupils and if staff see signs which suggest that one of the pupils may have been the victim of abuse, staff will (as is required by law) follow the procedures laid down by the Area Child Protection Committee. N.B. Such action in no way infers that any parent/carer or other individual is being accused of wrong-doing. A full version of the school's Child Protection Policy is available upon request. Mrs C French, Mrs A Panacides & Mr J Fay

STARS OF THE WEEK

	W/E: 19/01/2018	W/E: 26/01/2018	W/E: 02/02/2018	W/E: 09/02/2018
RC	Izabella	Jay	Felix	Alicia
RS	Allegra	David	Lacey	Stefan
1C	Tassia	Mark	Alex	Uzziah
1K	Alice	-	Alessia	Jaden
2J	Whole Class	Jack L	Thaddeus	Thomas
2S	Taylor	Oliver	Whole Class	Cosmin
3P	Mina	Chidimma	Whole Class	David
3W	Summer	Joseph	Caitlin-Rose	Whole Class
4D	-	-	Marisa	Hope
4T	Kimani, Michael, Ethan	Angelina, Justyna Sanjana	Holly & Daniel	Whole Class
5GP	Shannon	Jade	Filip	Benjamin
5P	-	Whole Class	Hannah	Joanne
6B	Kelsey	Patrick	Heshan	Whole Class
6W	-	-	Bruna	Abbie

IMPORTANT DATES

9 February – Inset Day – School Closed
12/16 February – Half Term Holidays
29th March – School ends 2.30pm

OUT OF SCHOOL ACHIEVEMENT

Billy 2J – Duckling Swimming Award.
Brandon 4T – Bronze Floor Gymnastics.
Kayden 1K – Level 4 Gymnastics & Stage 4 Swimming.
Abisha 3W – Grade 1 Piano with Distinction.
Well done children!

FUNDRAISING

A BIG thank you to everyone who generously donated after our Christmas performances last December. We raised the wonderful sum of **£788.55** which was donated to the 'Mary's Meals' charity which provides life-changing meals to some of the world's poorest children every day they attend school.

Many thanks indeed!

SCHOOL LUNCHES

If your child is going to arrive at school after 9am (i.e. due to medical appointment, etc), please remember to call the school if you wish your child to have a school lunch on that day. Lunch numbers have to be given to the kitchen by 9am. Many thanks.

This Wednesday's Word: **COMPASSION**

"The compassion of God, his suffering with us, gives meaning to our struggles and our sufferings." Pope Francis



Jesus has compassion for all those who are left out: he came to take away fear, loneliness and bullying – to help people feel loved and accepted. As your child what the word 'compassion' means to them. Has your child ever been left out or felt rejected? Ask them if they can remember a time when someone showed them compassion.

If you would like to contact the School Governors, please email:

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