



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 5 October 2012

If you would like to receive an electronic copy of the weekly newsletter, please call into the office and provide your email address. Alternatively, send a note into school with your details so that you can be added to the mailing list. Thanks

Our Lady & All Saints Church Mass Times

Saturday Morning: 10am

Saturday Evening Vigil: 6.30pm

Sunday Morning: 9.30am & 11.15am

There is also a weekday morning mass before school at 8.30am each morning except Tuesdays.

Please can I encourage parents to take their children to mass on a regular basis and please note that the church is open to parishioners all day long if to wish to spend a few moments in quiet prayer or reflection.

K^S1 Phonics Information Evening

At 7pm on the 16th October we will be holding an information evening in school for all K^S1 parents regarding phonics. We will be looking at the progression through K^S1, the way phonics is delivered in school and how this can be effectively reinforced at home. We will also look at the new statutory Year 1 Phonics Screening Check which we first administered in June. I urge as many as possible to attend as there are some things you need to be aware of when supporting phonics at home as even very minor inaccuracies can impede your child's phonetic knowledge and its application when reading.

Miss Davis

Music Fees are now due!

If your child is taking part in musical instrument lessons please forward your payment to school.

The Fees this year are as follows:

Brass = £70 per term

Guitar, Violin, Flute & Clarinet = £60 per term

Please make cheques payable to Leeds City Council

Thank you

Assembly Dates

Y1—Friday 12th October

Y3—Friday 30th November

Y4—Friday 26th October

Y5—Friday 9th November

Y6—Friday 16th November

BOOK FAIR

Thank you to all the parents who kindly assisted with the Book Fair set up and selling last week. Thank you to everyone who came and made a purchase. All together, we purchased over £530 worth of books! Happy Reading!

Miss Davis

TEMPEST PHOTOGRAPHY

Please return your order by Thursday of next week (11th October)

PARENT CONSULTATION EVENINGS WED 24 & THURS 25 OCTOBER

Letters are going home tonight asking for your preference for the Parent Consultation Evening. Please return these as soon as possible to your child's class teacher so that we may accommodate requests.

'WEAR IT PINK' DAY—FRIDAY 12 OCTOBER 2012

On Friday 12th October, we will be inviting the children and staff to come to school wearing something pink and request a donation of either £1 or £2. We hope that all the children will participate as this proved to be a fun and exciting day for our whole school. We would like to extend the invitation further to parents, carers and grandparents who would like to come to school wearing pink, stay for a coffee after assembly and donate £1 or £2 to the charity!

FRUIT will be on sale to KS2 children each morning break time priced 25p per item.

Admissions for September 2013—OPEN DAY

We will be hosting an **Open Day** for all prospective 2013 children on **Wednesday 17th October**. If your child is due to start school next September please call into the office and collect a Supplementary Information Form for admission to St Joseph's. Please note that this form is **in addition** to the Common Preference Form from Leeds City Council which will also need to be completed.

CAFOD Leeds invited all schools in our Diocese to create a Harvest "Hunger Cloth" altar cloth. Each school was given a patch of cloth to paint. The finished patches will be joined together to create an Altar Cloth for Leeds Cathedral. Rauri's painting of 'The Last Supper' has been sent to Leeds as our contribution! Well Done Rauri. Representatives from Y6 will be attending a Harvest Service at St Anne's Cathedral on Tues 16th October and will be able to see the Altar Cloth in use. Mrs Condliffe



This week in **Reception** we read the story of Titch & talked about his family, we then thought about all the people who belong to our own families & drew pictures of everyone. In maths we measured everything around the classroom and outside areas to find out how tall, short, long or wide things are & made a height chart to see how tall we are - we will measure ourselves again at the end of the year to see how much we have grown! The phonemes (sounds) for this week are i, n, m & d, please send in the red sound book daily so we can add the new ones. Thank you.

Reception Reminders: Please can you send in a photo of your child as a baby for next week so we can think about how we change over time? On Thursday 11th October (9-10am) Reception class will be open for parents/carers to stay & play with your child. This gives your child the opportunity to show you around and tell you about all the things we do in school! We look forward to seeing you! Mrs Dykes & Miss Procter.

SUNSHINE AWARDS THIS WEEK WENT TO:

R—Harry, Y1—Dylan,
Y2—Bea, Y3— Jack,
Y4— Niamh, Y5— Sam,
& Y6—Rebecca

This week in Year 1 we have been searching for evidence of maths in our environment and my did we find a lot. Take a look at our class page to see some of the photographs we took. Here we are showing that maths is all around us!

We also solved the problem of the farmer who had to get his fox, goat and grain to the other side of the river but could only carry one at a time. The Magic Toymaker set us another task this week. He needed us to write instructions for using a DS as well as label a picture. We are pros at writing instructions now so that was no problem! We started to use time connectives to make them even better. Just a reminder that we are going to the Toy Museum on Thursday 18th October. If you have mis-placed the letter or more likely never received it please just let me know and I can get you another. If anybody is free to come and supervise we would be extremely grateful! Miss Davis



A huge 'well done' to Year 3 for their magnificent Mass last Sunday. This was the initial Mass of the First Holy Communion preparation and everyone was just a little apprehensive. But our rehearsal went well and at Mass the readers read faultlessly and everyone behaved with reverence and concentration. We are all looking forward to our next one! In class we have been busy using our addition and subtraction skills to solve problems and our volcano paintings are so good that any day now we are expecting representatives from national gallery to be making us substantial offers for our work! Mrs Heatley & Mrs Skeoch

Year 6 have been learning about fiction genres this week. We have been reading a variety of science fiction, mystery and ghost stories and have been focusing on how the author uses language and other devices to build up suspense and tension. In maths, we were investigating on Monday. We watched a video of Phil 'the power' Taylor in action and then tried to solve a series of problems regarding the numbers his darts could hit and the possible scores he could notch up! We have been enjoying our fabulous IPC topic this week. We have been researching the impressionist painters and looking at a variety of impressionist paintings. Watch this space for some of our own creations very soon! Please remember that our cycle training is next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Please ensure that your child brings their bike into school on Tuesday. Miss Edwards and Mrs. Condliffe

On the Golden Table: John (Y5), Amy (Y3), Lily (Rec), Jessica (Y1)