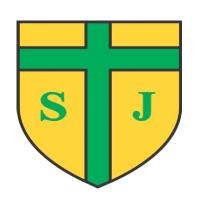


ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL OTLEY, A VOLUNTARY ACADEMY

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Friday 30thJanuary 2015



PAYMENTS

Please note that the following payments are available on Parentpay:

Music Fees for this term
Y6 Robinwood Trip
Y5 Myddelton Grange Trip
Y4&Y3 Murton Park Trip
All Afterschool Clubs
Breakfast Club daily charges
Thank you for your prompt, combined payments; this reduces our transaction charges

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 you wish to spend a few moments in quiet prayer or reflection.

Friends of St Joseph's Bingo Night!!

Date for your diary! On Friday 6th March at 7.30pm the friends of St Joseph's will be holding a bingo night in school. There will be a bar and a curry supper. Further details to be announced nearer the date! Friends and family are welcome to join us!

Unfortunately Mr Barber is out of action for the next few weeks so we are asking all of you to be little patient during this time as Mrs Boswell/Mrs Towell & Mr Voller will be opening and closing the gates amongst their other duties & responsibilities.

Many thanks.

ELIGIBILITY FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS

For your information, those who are eligible for Free School Meals include families who receive:

*Income-based jobseeker's allowance (JSA)

*Income support

*Income related employment and support allowance (ESA)
*Support under the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

*Child Tax Credit (CTC) only and not eligible for Working Tax Credit (WTC), and the award is based on a gross annual income of £16,190

Please call into the Office and talk to Mrs Boswell if you think you may be eligible to claim free school meals for your child, regardless of whether they are Rec/KS1 or KS2.

YEAR 3

It has been a very special week in Year 3, one in which we have all felt very close to God. We had a lovely Mass on Wednesday and we were pleased that many parents and friends braved the weather to join us in our special moment of prayer. And, as part of our Other Faiths Fortnight we have been looking at the different branches of Christianity and the many aspects that bind us together. The Reverend Rick Ormrod invited year 3 to visit the Methodist church and further our research into John Wesley. We loved the architecture of the building, and the enormous amount of local history we learned, was fascinating. John Wesley had very strong connections with Otley and is an important part of our children's heritage. Whichever part of the globe they end up in, their roots are here in Otley as part of the Christian community. Knowing they are part of something that has lasted thousands of years and continues strongly to this day, should be a source of great pride. So thanks must go to our parent volunteers who gave up a morning to take the children to hear these wonderful stories that contribute to their self image and knowledge of who they are and their place in the world. Have a lovely weekend. Mrs Heatley & the Y3 Team.

Year 4 Update

A reminder that on Thursday we shall we celebrating our class saint - Saint Valentine. On this day all children can wear non-uniform, if possible something red. As part of our celebration we shall be having our Class Mass on this day in our class room at 9:15, all family members and friends will be very welcome.

In Maths, this week we have been cracking column addition. To help your child "cement" this method in their heads please over the next few weeks keep practicing it at home, - I suggested to the children they could try "1 column addition a day"!!! Thank you for your support. In English, we have started looking at explanation texts linking it with our volcano work in Geography.

Have a good weekend! Mrs Harvey, Mrs Bates & the Year 4 Team.

YEAR 1

We have been learning the story of the Three Little Pigs. We have recounted the story and also made the three little pigs' houses in Science! Enjoy the weekend!

CHINESE NEW YEAR MEAL

Mrs Brylov and the Kitchen team are offering a Chinese New Year Lunch on Wednesday 25 February 2015. If your child normally has a packed lunch and would like a school meal on this day, please inform the Office. Payment of £2.10 can be made via ParentPay after the event.

Thank you.



On the Golden Table were: Martha (Rec) Edith (Y3), James (Y4), Isaac (Y5)





Sunshine Awards this week went to: Rec: Harry, Y1: Xander, Y2: Eleanor, Y3: Ava, Y4: Sadie, Y5: Martha, Y6: Louis

Writer of the Week Awards went to: Rec: Rosa, Y1: Freya, Y2: Harry,

Y3: Ciaran, Y4: Caleb, Y5: Francesca, Y6: Hugo