



ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
OTLEY,
A VOLUNTARY ACADEMY
WEEKLY NEWSLETTER
THURSDAY 11TH FEBRUARY 2016



**We wish you all a happy half-term holiday
and look forward to welcoming you all
back on Monday February 22nd!**

Topic week: Superheroes and Comic week!

LENT

We began our Lent in the best possible ways this week: Our Ash Wednesday Mass was beautiful and every person contributed with reverence and prayer, and to make our Lenten journey benefit more people than just ourselves, we had a very pleasant faith lunch at noon. So by the first afternoon of Lent we had made a huge effort to pray together and gave someone, somewhere the money to buy food in the quantities we take for granted.

As you can see by the photos, we all enjoyed the idea of eating in class whilst watching the powerpoint presentation that the Mini Vinnies had prepared. As usual a great effort by everyone in the St Joseph's family.

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.



KITCHEN NEWS

After the spring half term break we will be moving on to a three choice menu. We hope that the children will enjoy the choices. Look out for the new menu on the school website!

Mrs Brylov



WHAT'S ON ?

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

FEBRUARY

15th & 16th Chevin Forest School, Winter Fun in the Forest

Weds 24th Y3/4/5 Mini tennis festival @ SMM 3:30 - 5:30pm

Weds 24th Last day for class photo orders

Tues 25th Deadline for BBC 500 Words story competition



Frid 26th Y5/6 Hockey Festival @ Sports Park, Weetwood 9:30 - 3pm

MARCH

Weds 2nd Y4 Skipping festival @ Trinity college 1 - 3:30pm

Thurs 3rd World Book Day—dress up as a character from a book

Frid 4th Y6 bikeability

Friday 4th March Mother's Day sale run by FOSJ—donations welcomed

Sat 5th (PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE) KS2 Cross Country @ Leeds Grammar School 9:45 onwards

Tues 8th Y4/5/6 CROSS COUNTRY @Wharfe Meadow 1:30 - 3pm

Thurs 10th Y5 TRI GOLF @ Ralph Thoresby 4 - 5:30pm

Frid 11th FOSJ Family bingo night 6-8.30pm @ school

Frid 18th Tennis Fun Festival @ Trinity College 2 - 4pm

Tues 22nd Y5 Rugby Festival @ Guiseley Rangers RC 12:30 - 3pm

APRIL

Weds 27th Y5/6 HI Five Festival @ SMM 4 - 5:30pm

JUNE

Saturday 18th Otley Carnival—volunteers needed! Please see members of the committee

Friday 11TH MARCH 2016 – FROM
6.00PM – 8.30PM BINGO TO START
AT 6.30PM



There will be prizes galore, a bar, a children's tuck shop and fun games for all the family !

This is a ticket only event – tickets are available from the school office on a first come first served basis !

Admission is £10 per family of four or more or £2.50 per person, the price includes 4 games of bingo per person and a hot dog.

We hope you can join us for a fun evening !!!

Chevin Forest School Invites you to....

Winter Fun in the Forest

15th & 16th February

9.30am– 1.30pm

£15 per child (£20 for 2 days)

Meet at the White House Café, Chevin Woods, Otley

Suitable for 4-11 year

Contact Amanda Newham 0771 4329654

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SAINSBURY'S ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS

Sainsbury's have started issuing their Active Kids vouchers once again. If you have any please put them in the box in the foyer.

In previous years we have been able to buy lots of cooking equipment and PE equipment due to your support. Thank you

Inspiration Tree Sports and Creative Arts Courses 2016

Log on to www.inspiration-tree-com for more details

Email enquiries@inspiration-tree-com

Call 07939 411659

Course are being run at half-term



CLASS PHOTOS

If you would like to order a photograph for your child, please return your order and payment by Wednesday 24th February.



This week we have been

Year 2

A letter was sent home last week about learning times tables. Please encourage your child to learn at least 2, 5, 10 and 3 times tables over the holidays. Bronze, silver and gold certificates will be awarded next term. The letter details what children need to do for these certificates and ideas/ websites to support learning.
Thank you Miss Hulbert

Reading books

Please ensure your child keeps their reading books in the plastic wallet which has been provided. There has been some books damaged because of water bottles leaking in bags. We invested a significant amount of money in this fantastic reading scheme so please encourage your child to look after their books and always use the plastic wallet. If books are damaged we will have to ask for a payment towards the book.

Phonics and Literacy Development Workshop

Our school is participating in an 'Early Intervention Project' which celebrates and encourages best practice in identifying and supporting children who may be at risk of dyslexia and other specific learning difficulties. As part of the project, we are holding a workshop for parents which aims to enhance awareness of phonics and literacy development for all children. The workshop will take place at school at 6pm on Monday 7th March.

All parents are welcome.

PLEASE check your child's hair for headlice over the half-term

Football match

On Monday 29th February the football team will play their first football match of the season in the Bishop's Cup. This will take place after school on our school field. To prepare for this there will be a friendly match between year 5 and year 6 on Wednesday 24th February at lunchtime. Children wanting to play in this will need to bring a football kit, football boots and shin pads.



Toast will be sold in school on Tuesday during Lent at 25p per slice. Please send your child in with the change on a Tuesday if they would like a slice.

Thank you in advance to our 'Toast team'.