



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

'St. Joseph's...  
...where minds blossom  
and love grows!'

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## School News! **NEWS**

- **Goodbye and good luck** – Today, the St Joseph's school family is saying farewell to Mrs Helme and to Saphira in Year 4. Mrs Helme has secured a permanent post as a teaching assistant at another local school. We will miss her love and laughter. Saphira is moving house and this means a new school. We know you will be absolutely amazing in your new school and we will miss your smile! It's always sad when we have to say goodbye to members of our school family, but we wish them both well!
- **Netball Competition** – This week, some of our Year 4's and 5's took part in a catholic school's netball competition at Our Lady's. Though they didn't win, they played brilliantly and represented our school magnificently. We are super proud of you all! Well done ☺
- **Parent View Questionnaire** – Thank you to those parents/carers who took the time to complete the online parent view questionnaire that was linked in last week's newsletter. I have been reading through all of the responses and the majority are very positive! I would like to remind all parents that if you have any worries, queries or issues with your child's learning, behaviour or progress, to contact me directly either by email or calling the office and making an appointment to see me as the parent view questionnaires are all sent anonymously. For this reason I cannot respond to individual comments ☹ I will always aim to resolve any issues promptly. My email address can be found at the top of this newsletter. Many thanks, Miss Griffiths

## A HUGE well done to our brilliant V.I.P's and Stars of the Week

| Class     | V.I.P.   | Star of the Week | Super Scientist | Lunchtime Stars | Miss G's Staff V.I.P   |
|-----------|----------|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--|
| Nursery   | Andrew   | Kian             | Dotty-Bluebell  |                 | This week my staff V.I.P is <b>Mrs Helme</b> . Mrs Helme brings so much sunshine to our school. She is always cheerful and happy ☺ |
| Reception | Mason    | Curtis           | Martino         | Martino         |  |
| Year 1    | Ava      | Tommy            |                 | Aaliyah         |  |
| Year 2    | Isabella | Alissia          | Poppy           | Lydia-Rose      |  |
| Year 3    | Carter   | Alex             |                 | Darren          |  |
| Year 4    | Saphira  | Kai              | Shaya-Leigh     | Shay            |  |
| Year 5    | Riley    | Macaulay         |                 | Tallulah        |  |
| Year 6    | Iya      | Ashton           |                 | Kiera           |  |

## Attendance Stars!



**Recognition Rewards Weekly Total = 62**

# School News

**DATE: Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April**

By Kyle (Head Boy) and Iya (Head Girl)

| Class      | Weekly News Update   |
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| Nursery    | Nursery have had an action packed week that involved learning about road safety. They have also been learning about other forms of transport (even the unusual ones too, like a hot air balloon!) They also took a journey on a magical flying carpet.<br>In their maths they have been counting forward and backwards to 5.   |
| Reception  | In Reception, they have been looking at time travel and went to the world of the dinosaurs. They have been looking more closely at the bones and fossils of the dinosaurs – like archaeologists do. From what we saw, they were thoroughly enjoying it.  |
| Year One   | Year One have been working hard on their phonics – this is so important to help them read and a huge focus for them. In maths, they have been weighing objects with scales and guessing which one is heavier or lighter. English sees them drafting a story about Oliver's Vegetables.   |
| Year Two   | Year Two have been story writing. They have based this on A Little Knight. They have been very creative in art by drawing and painting portraits of themselves. To help them create good skin tones, they have been colour mixing and blending. In maths, they have been exchanging in their written calculations for subtracting.   |
| Year Three | Year Three have worked hard in maths by learning more about subtraction and the use of exchanging with bigger numbers. In English, they have written a newspaper report on the volcanic explosion in Pompeii.  |
| Year Four  | For English, Year 4 have been reading a story called Fox, which is an excellent novel and they hope to get lots of writing out of it. They have been describing the main character Fox. In PE, they have started to learn how to play cricket, working on throwing and catching skills. Maths sees them working on place value of large numbers. In topic, they have been looking at rivers and the word 'meandering'.                           |
| Year Five  | In English, Year 5 have been reading and learning the poem 'Jabberwocky.' They are finding the poem very interesting and are trying to learn parts of it by heart. In RE, they have been looking at the bible story of Saul changing to Paul. In maths, they have been ordering and comparing decimals, percentages and fractions.   |
| Year Six   | Year six have started a new routine to revise for their SATs. They have been focussing on Maths and English all day. Most of them are rising to the challenge and working incredibly hard on this. They did have a treat of an afternoon of Dodgeball, where an expert came in to teach them the skills and rules of the game. For RE, they have been looking at witnesses and witnessing to help them understand what it means to be a witness. |

**A note from our Head Boy and Head Girl...** Apologises for missing last week; we hope you had a wonderful Easter and here's to a good Summer Term here at Saint Joseph's. We really do enjoy going round school and seeing what everyone is up to, so you can see how much wonderful learning happens at our school!