



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School  
**Weekly Newsletter**

Friday 2nd February 2024

**Ready Respectful Safe**



**ATTENDANCE**

**FAMILY  
CHALLENGE**



I have the great pleasure of seeing our parents and carers everyday and through conversation, I have noticed how competitive most of you are. So, with that in mind, I have decided to launch the 'Family Challenge'. Each week, I will be asking a question or a puzzle relating to our school and our curriculum (asking your children is ok!).

The first family from each year group to reply to me on Class Dojo with the correct answer will be entered into a half-termly prize draw for a family friendly hamper of goodies in addition to being named on the weekly newsletter.

If your child dips below the **90%** mark for attendance, this now triggers school intervention. We aim for 96% attendance for all of our pupils as poor attendance really does affect your child's capacity to learn and to succeed. I will be sending messages directly through Class Dojo if your child's attendance drops. I know that we can work together to improve attendance and give our children the best learning opportunities and experiences.



# Animal Care Visit



Steph from Animal Care came into school this week to speak to Year 1 about caring for a pet. She brought along the adorable Paddy! Paddy is a 4 year old greyhound who is looking for a home. Please click on the link if you, or someone you know might want to adopt Paddy. He's very loving and gentle.

<https://www.animalcare-lancaster.co.uk/content/dogs?animal=10176>

# Weekly Award Winners



## This Week's V.I.P.s

Reception: Oliver  
Year 1: Angel-Louise  
Year 2: Martino  
Year 3: Lacey  
Year 4: Sofia  
Year 5:  
Year 6: Stephen



## This Week's Stars of the Week



Reception: Nevaeh  
Year 1: Carter  
Year 2: Whole Class  
Year 3: Faith  
Year 4: Bradley  
Year 5: Savannah  
Year 6: Tristan

## Super Scientist

Reception: George-Thomas  
Year 1: Rueben  
Year 2: Georgiana  
Year 3:  
Year 4:  
Year 5: Daria  
Year 6: Shaya-Leigh



Weekly Recognitions

84

Miss G's Staff V.I.P.

Miss Brooks



# Attendance Stars

87.5%

Reception

84.4%

Year One

84.9%

Year Two

84.7%

Year Three

91.1%

Year Four

76.1%

Year Six

83.9%

Year Five

Target

96%



# Star Readers

Well done to these children who have completed Booktalks this week.

Evie Yr.4

Jakub Yr.4

Grace Yr.4

Sofia Yr.4

Julia Yr.4

Michael Yr.4

Savannah Yr.5

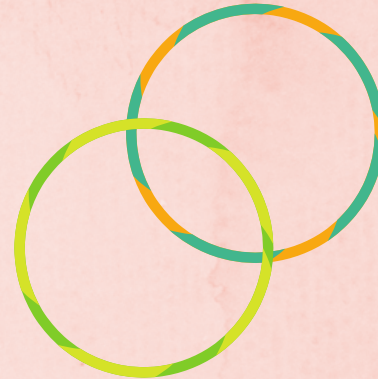


# Team Spirit Award

Since football was removed from playtimes and lunchtimes just before Christmas, I have been so happy to see the children actually using their imaginations and playing games together!

I never used to take a lunch break, but now look forward to my time sat at the window with a cup of tea watching our children play so beautifully. I've been so impressed by their team spirit, that I thought it should be rewarded, therefore, I will be selecting a child/children each week who had displayed the St. Joseph's Team Spirit and giving them a shout out.

This week I'm giving a St. Joe's Shout Out to...



**Derick in Year 5 for being someone lovely who helps the staff.**

**Ignacy in Year 6 for being a great team player during basketball.**

**Wayne in Year 2 for persevering with the balance bike.**



# Family Challenge!

We are very proud of  
our phonics scheme,  
but what is it called?

Send your answer to Miss Griffiths  
on Class Dojo. Good luck!

