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Newsletter Autumn 1 Week 3

Our Virtue To Live By…. Respect and Courtesy

Our Mission Statement

Our Mission-Here, under the guidance of our patriarch, St Joseph, and inspired by centuries of Catholic teaching, we begin to learn how to serve each other and our world with the same faithful joy which we see in Jesus, our saviour and our Lord.

To Him be glory and praise for ever

Our mission statement talks about service, especially at the hands of St. Joseph. In this special year, dedicated to our school and parish saint, we recognise and celebrate the deep respect that Joseph had for his wife Mary and the job he had to do: this in itself displays the intense respect he held for God himself. Let us use him as our role model to enable ourselves to display the same virtues as he did.

St. Joseph…. Pray for us. (Mark 9:38-43. 45. 47-48)

"Anyone who is not against us is for us. If anyone gives you a cup of water to drink just because you belong to Christ, then I tell you solemnly, he will most certainly not lose his reward."

Marceliana G, Alys K and
Annie T (who's sister collected for her)
are winners in the Spirited Art Competition 2021

Collect free gardening equipment for your school

We understand that the more kids know about how food is grown and made, the better they'll eat, now and in the future.

It's Good to Grow is a token collection scheme that allows schools to collect for free gardening equipment to get kids outdoors and growing. Between 6th September and 24th October 2021 for every £10 spent in store or online at Morrisons customers will automatically receive one Grow Token to donate to your chosen school.

You'll need to be a MyMorrisons customer to take part so make sure you download the app and select a school to donate your Grow Tokens to.

Finally, don't forget to scan your app or MyMorrisons card at checkout every time you shop to receive your Grow Tokens. Once you've selected a school, you'll be able to donate your Grow Tokens to them.

From 24th October, they'll be able to redeem the Grow Tokens they've collected against a range of growing and gardening equipment for school.

Date	Time	Event
1st October	All day	Dress up as a word day
12th October	Pm	Flu vaccinations
19th—21st October	3.45-6.30pm	Parents Evening
21st October	All day	Non Uniform day
21st October		School closes for holidays as 22nd October is an INSET
1st November		School re-opens

Parents Evening: The booking system has now been set up on the Groupcall (Xpressions) app and Invites will be sent to you on Monday for you to book your appointments. Appointments will be virtual and you will receive your link to your meeting closer to the time. If you have any issues booking your appointment please contact the school office staff.

The dates for each year are:

Lower Foundation and Upper Foundation—18th and 19th October

Year 1 with Mrs Radwell—21st October

Year 1 with Mrs Riley—19th October

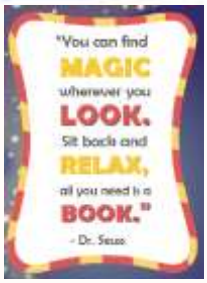
Year 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6—19th October

Dress Up As A Word Day!

On Friday 1st October, children are invited to come to school dressed up as a word! How exciting this is! .This is a new and exciting way for the children to explore vocabulary, thinking about what words mean and how they can represent them. We can't wait to see what words our children come to school as,

Attendance Figures 21/9/21—25/9/21

Whole School	**95%**
Reception	**96%**
Year 1	**98%**
Year 2	**98%**
Year 3	**98%**
Year 4	**97%**
Year 5	**99%**
Year 6	**83%**



At St. Josephs we love reading. Here are some photos of different classes enjoying their wonderful and inviting reading areas. We have a great choice of books for children to choose from. Many of which were generously donated by the school community through our recent Amazon wish lists. Each class has their own 'Super Six' which were voted for by the children. Six copies, of six favourite books to enjoy reading with their friends. Ask your child which their favourite is !

Amazon Book Wish Lists

The links are still live if you would like to purchase a book for our children, just click on the class of your choice, add a book to your basket and click on the address that appears for delivery to school.

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Nursery—https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1T2PDD05XINY?ref_=wl_share

Reception—https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/AGROQ6BMDTDC?ref_=wl_share

Year 1—https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1HU2ARZEN2SAB?ref_=wl_share

Year 2—https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/28N5Q1NEEE4MK?ref_=wl_share

Year 3—https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/23WQKQPVM3417?ref_=wl_share

Year 4—https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/21TFSZFG8ZECV?ref_=wl_share

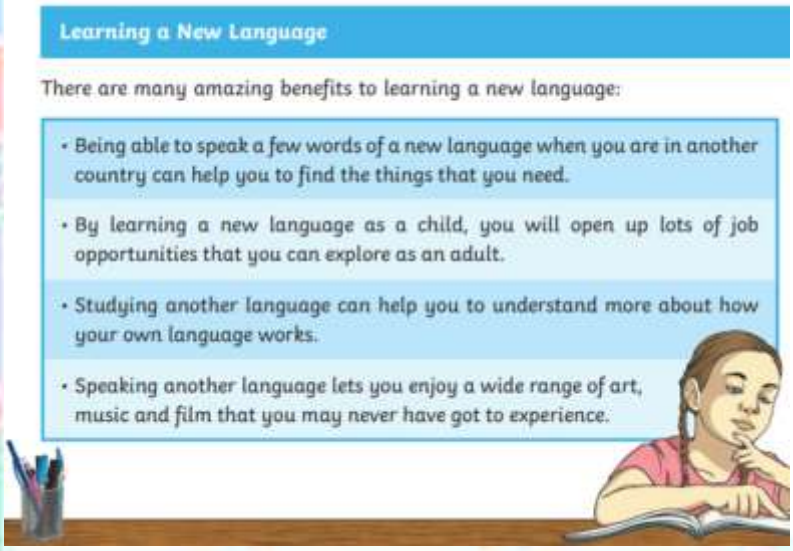
Year 5—https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1BR7Y15XVHGSA?ref_=wl_share

Year 6—https://www.amazon.co.uk/hz/wishlist/ls/1P17FZH13H748?ref_=wl_share

European Day of Languages Feature

We promote a love of learning languages at our school and today is one example of having fun whilst learning.

Thank you for all the entries to the T-Shirt 'On the French High Street' competition. Look out for the winning entries and many of the wonderful designs on display around school. Our soon-to-be-appointed Primary Language Leaders will display the artistic talent and knowledge of French culture that we like to have at St Joseph's.



ST. JOSEPH'S NURSERY PONTEFRACT

Applications, for a January start are now being taken for children who will be aged three years by January 31st 2022. Parents are asked to obtain an application form from the school website https://www.stjosephspontefract.co.uk/ or the school office. The completed form and any relevant documentation should be returned to school by 3.00pm Friday 22nd October 2021. Please note failure to provide any necessary additional documents by the closing date will delay the correct categorisation of the application.

It should be noted that an offer of a place in the nursery does not guarantee a place in school, for which a separate application must be made.

We are offering extended hours in Nursery. Parents are to obtain their 30H code. We would recommend that parents do not wait until the deadline date to apply, reconfirm or address any issues with HMRC. If any parents need to contact HMRC the number is 0300 1234097. For more information visit the website: https://www.wakefield.gov.uk/schools-and-children/early-yearsand-childcare/information-for-parents-and-carers/30-hours-free-childcare If you would like any support with this or are wanting to use the extended services you can telephone Faye Robinson on 01977 701493.

If you would like any more information for you child to attend nursery please take a look at our webpage—https://www.sjp.bkcat.co.uk/parent-information/nursery/

Or contact Faye Robinson on 01977 701493 or via the email admin@sjp.bkcat.co.uk

To contact a member of the safeguarding team please contact the school office on 01977 701493 or email admin@sjp.bkcat.co.uk.

For out of school hours emergencies please telephone 07707501042

Mr Sandbach

Mrs Robinson

Mrs Cade

Mrs Clements

Mrs Everett

Please download the Safer Schools app, to do this, download the app and then enter our school name and our parent entry code which is 7440. There is also a child's code so your child can also download the app and use the code 9342 for a child friendly version of the app.

Learning Mentor drop in sessions: As we are unable to accommodate parents coming into school during COVID-19 we are offering you telephone sessions. If you would like a telephone appointment with Mrs Clements please contact the school office to arrange this. Mrs Clements will be available on a Wednesday between 11 and 12.

Attendance Matters!
Every Student, Every School, Every Day

Regular school attendance and overall student safety and well-being are always vital for laying a foundation for success during the school year.

Paying attention to attendance is even more essential this year, given the unique challenges created by COVID-19 for schools, families, students, and community providers.

Working together to cultivate student engagement and develop regular attendance habits, whether school is offered in person or remotely, ensures that students benefit from the learning opportunities offered.

ONLINE SAFETY IT STARTS WITH YOU!

How to Become An Expert in Your Child's Online World in 6 weeks.
Please follow the link:
https://nspcc.o2.co.uk/

Be Share Aware NSPCC

NSPCC Website 'Share Aware' provides straight forward, no-nonsense advice that will untangle the web, and show parents how they can be just as great a parent online as offline. It includes a guide to social networking sites, a parents' guide and tips about how to talk to your child about staying safe online. Tackling CSE is a priority for West Yorkshire Police and it is the responsibility of everyone to help spot the signs and say something.
For more information, visit www.southyorkshire.police.uk/uk/spotthesigns

St Joseph's supports and advocates 'Operation Encompass' Operation Encompass is a unique Police and Education early intervention safeguarding partnership which supports children and young people exposed to domestic abuse. Operation Encompass is the reporting to schools before the start of the next school day, when a child or young person has been involved or exposed to a domestic abuse incident the previous evening. It enables children to arrive at school and have their needs met, by trained Child Protection staff, who have been informed of the child's 'experience.' National Domestic Violence 24hr freephone hotline: 0808 2000 247

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Website: www.sjp.bkcat.co.uk
Child Protection Officer– Mr Sandbach- Head Teacher / Deputy Child Protection Officer: Mrs Clements –Learning Mentor (Should parents/carers have any child protection concerns they can ring 'Social Care Direct' on 01924 303 456)