



Welcome to a new school year.

The children have had an excellent first month in school and are working hard in their new classes. Teachers have commented on the excellent start they have made and thank you for sending your children to school looking so smart.

I would like to welcome our new families and children into the family of St Joseph's and we hope you have been made to feel very welcome.

Dinner money is £2.00 a day, £10.00 a week, and payable on a Monday, for children in y3 - y6. Children can only change from dinners onto packed lunches after a half term break. The office must be informed of any changes to ensure that numbers are correct for the kitchen.

Children in Reception and Key Stage One receive fruit as a snack each day. Children in Key Stage Two can bring a piece of fruit for a snack. Can we ask that grapes are halved for their safety.

Attendance

Good news most classes have achieved 96% or more each week so far this term.

SATs Results

SAT success for St Joseph's
We are very pleased to announce that out KS2 SAT results were all above national expectations 91% reading, 77% maths, 86% writing and 68% combined (R/W/M) Our progress is also above national. At KS1 and EY our results were broadly in line or above national which continues our excellent standards. Well done to all our staff and children; you should be very proud of our school.

Diary Dates

October Half Term

Break up on Thursday 19th October
PD Day Friday 20 October
Return on Monday 30 October

Christmas Holiday

Break up on Friday 22 December
December and return on
Monday 8th January 2018

Dates for your Diary

5th October — Y5/6 Holy Family Mass with English Martyrs and the 5 Catholic primary schools at St Joseph's Church — all parents Welcome.

5th October - EMS open evening for Y6 parents. Y5 parents are also invited if you are already considering which secondary school your child will go to.

12 October - Crucial Crew Y6

19 October Halloween disco

KS1 and EY 3pm - 4pm

KS2 4.15 pm- 5.15pm

6/7/8/ November — Parents Evening

13 November—Friendship week

6 December — Christmas Dinner

8 December Christmas Fair - We would welcome donations for raffle prizes, tombola prizes, toy stall, bottle stall etc.

14 December - pm (TBC) Early Years Foundation Stage Christmas Play

15 December am Early Years

Foundation Stage Christmas play

18 December — pm (TBC) KS2 Christmas Performance

19 December — 930 KS2 Christmas Performance

21 December pm KS2 Christmas party

22 December pm EY & KS1 Christmas party

22 December—Rainbow Assembly

Class Liturgy Dates:

All 9 am in School hall

6 October — Year 1/2

13 October — Year Rec/Y1

3 November — Reception Class

10 November — Year 4/5

17 November — Year 5/6

24 November — Year 1/2

1 December — Y3/4

8 December—Rec/Year 1

Information

Visitors to and out of school:

- * Mayor talked about his role etc
- * 2 October—Farm to Fork, Tesco
- * 4 October Y4/5 Space to Learn
- * 30/31 October Anne Frank Trust

Life - Baby Loss

Awareness Week

9TH - 15TH October

There will be a time for quiet reflection and prayer and to light candles in St Joseph's Church followed by some refreshments in the Parish Centre 2.30pm Friday 13th October

St Joseph's Parish Centre

offer a Drop in Centre for Asylum Seekers and refugees every Monday 12-2pm.

Car Park

Could we please remind parents to park safely outside of the school, please do not block the gate, park on the zig zag lines or park in the school car park as this could be dangerous and cause an accident.

Polite Reminders:

- * Haircuts: no tram lines or shaved heads / Long hair to be tied back
- * No earrings
- * No large hair bands or bows
- * Remove temporary tattoos
- * Full PE Kit needs to be in school each day
- * Reading Record and Reading book needs to be in school each day
- * Dinner money needs to be paid on a Monday

Afterschool Clubs table attached. 20p contribution required to help clubs run.