



'Together we will do our best for Jesus'



Friday Update

10th February 2017

Pleas for help:

- Please remember to always send your child to school with a coat. The weather has turned very cold and some children still do not have coats in school. Always remember to name all your child's belongings. Thank you.
- We have had a few incidents of the little hair visitors recently, please be vigilant, check your child's hair and treat anyone in the family who may be affected. Thank you.
- We are collecting Sainsbury's Keep Active vouchers again this year. They provide valuable equipment for our games lessons and lunchtime. Please can you encourage your friends and families to collect them and send them into school. Thank you.

Year 1 – 'Step back in Time'

Owls and Squirrels were dressed as Victorian children today and their classrooms were set up in the Victorian way! The children learn so much by having an insight into the way life was in that period of history by this experience and visiting the Priests House in Wimborne recently. Year 1 are looking forward to starting their next project 'Mini-beasts' with a visit from the ZooLab on Friday 3rd March. More information to follow.

Year 2 – 'Fire Fire'

The drama day for Owls and Badgers was really great. The children enjoyed 'acting out' how the Great Fire of London was put out and learning about the damage it caused and how it shaped the city as we know it today without burning the school down!! We are hoping for a visit from the fire brigade on Friday 24th February.

Year 3 – 'Ancient Egyptian Project'

Year 3 have enjoyed their Egyptian Project and spent the day immersed in Egyptian life on Wednesday this week. They came to school dressed as Egyptians and watched a play in the afternoon called 'Search for the Lost Tomb.' This was an interactive play which the children really enjoyed.

Thank you for all the effort you go to when we ask for the children to be dressed in costume for their projects. We didn't know if we were going to bump into a Victorian Lady or an Egyptian Soldier in school. We really do appreciate it.

PTFA Date for your Diaries

Thank you to staff and volunteers for all their help at the School disco. The children really enjoyed it, thanks to Graham Bond, our DJ, for another successful night. Our next event is the Easter Bingo and Mufti Day on 31st March and a Quiz on 19th May.

- Vacancies on the PTFA - some of our members are moving on and we are looking for new parents to get involved and join our friendly team. In particular, anyone with administrative experience to take on the Secretary role. Please do come along to a meeting or email stjosephs_ptfa@hotmail.co.uk if you can help.
- Commission for the PTFA - earn us money while you shop!
- www.stikins.co.uk for strong name labels that stick to bottles, clothes, shoes, anything! Please quote 20068 when you order.
- www.butlins.co.uk - if you are booking a Butlins holiday, please quote STJO1 to get some money for our School!
- www.stamptastic.co.uk - This company produce personalised stamps and ink pads which can be used to label your belongings. Please quote SANCREED when ordering. Thank you.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday 2nd March is World Book Day. Children will be bringing home a book voucher in their book bags. The children will be taking part in activities during the day but will not be dressing up.

Hooke Court (Yr 4) and PGL (Yr 6) Residential Visits

If your child is going on the residential trip to Hooke Court from Monday 20th to Wednesday 22nd March please remember that the last 2 instalments are due. One was due last Friday 3rd February and the last payment on Friday 3rd March. If your child is going to PGL and you are paying in instalments, the first instalment is due in by 24th February. Thank you.

There will be a **Hooke Court** Information Evening for parents on Monday 6th March at 6.30 p.m.

OFSTED

As you know we had an Ofsted Inspection yesterday. Thank you to all of you who completed the parent questionnaire on line. We will have the result of the inspection in three weeks time.

Community Links

There has been a lot of discussion regarding the latest guidelines for car seats for children. If you would like to have your child's seat checked for free there is a session in the Asda car park, Culliford Crescent, Canford Heath next Wednesday 15th February from 11.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.

Dates for your Diaries not included above:

Monday 13th – Friday 17th February – School Closed – Half Term

Tuesday 21st February – David Lawrence Jones - Author visiting school and leading assemblies

Thursday 23rd February – Booking Signing from David Lawrence Jones of any books purchased

Thursday 2nd March – World Book Day – activities in school – no dressing up

Friday 3rd March – Zoolab visiting Year 1

Monday 6th March – Year 4 Parents information meeting re – Hooke Court Residential

Tuesday 7th March – Spring Music Concert from all our musical groups including instruments

Thursday 9th March – Owl Sanctuary visiting Year 2

20th – 22nd March – Year 4 Hooke Court Residential

Thursday 23rd March – Year 3 Brass Concert to parents 2.30 p.m. in the school hall

Friday 24th March – Comic Relief – more information to follow

Tuesday 28th March – Parents evening 3.30 – 7.00 p.m.

Thursday 30th March – Parents evening 3.30 – 6.00 p.m.

Friday 31st March – PTFA Mufti Day – Family Easter Bingo 6.00 p.m. – information to follow

Tuesday 4th April – Year 5 Easter Reflection – 7.00 p.m.

Friday 7th April – School Closes for Easter Holidays at 1.30 p.m.

Masses for the Spring and Summer Term

1st March 2017	A.M.	Upper/Lower School Ash Wednesday Services
8 th March 2017	9.15 a.m.	Year 2 Liturgy lead by Badgers Class in the school hall
22 nd March 2017	9.15 a.m.	Year 6 Mass lead by Class 6RG
5 th April 2017	9.45 a.m.	Whole School Mass at St. Joseph's Church
3 rd May 2017	9.15 a.m.	Year 1 Liturgy lead by Owl's Class in the school hall
17 th May 2017	9.15 a.m.	Year 3 Mass celebrating First Holy Communions
26 th May 2017	9.15 a.m.	Whole School Mass celebrating 80 th Anniversary
14 th June 2017	9.15 a.m.	Year 5 Mass lead by Class 5PB
5 th July 2017	9.15 a.m.	Hedgehogs Liturgy lead by HH2 class in the school hall
21 st July 2017	9.15 a.m.	Whole School End of Year Mass school playground

You are always welcome to join us for our Masses and Liturgies – we would love to see you

*Safeguarding is a priority at St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School
If you have any concerns please contact our designated Safeguarding officers
Mrs. O'Donoghue, Mr. McDermott, Mr. Gardner and Mrs. Thomas.*