



Friday Update



14th July 2017

Pleas for help:

- We have had several cases of the little hair visitors reported recently. Please check your children's hair regularly and treat any family members who may be affected. Please remember that children with long hair should always have it tied back. Thank you.
- If you find any school equipment at home, i.e. books, can you please bring them to school next week or the first week back in the Autumn Term and place them in the box outside the school office. Thank you.
- If your child is leaving us next week and you no longer need school ties or other items of school uniform we are always very grateful for donations. Thank you.
- Time keeping has become a bit of an issue lately. Please remember that school starts at 8.50 a.m. Any child arriving after that time is recorded as a late which goes onto the pupil's attendance records. The Attendance Officer has noted regular offenders and will be holding attendance clinics next term.

What a wonderful busy term we have just had with all the trips, sports days, Masses and the show.

Year 6 – are enjoying a day of Watersports today. Thankfully the weather has stayed nice and the children are at Sandbanks trying their skills at paddleboarding, windsurfing and kayaking.

The Lion King – What can we say about the wonderful production the children gave us? What stars, several people in the audience said they could have been watching a professional production. It was great to see our children performing to such a high standard, a credit to Mrs. Cook and all her hard work and the other members of staff who encouraged and assisted along the way. I hope you enjoyed watching it as much as we all did! Every child had such a wonderful smile on their face, it was a joy to see.

Whole School Mass

We are having our Leaver's Mass next Friday 21st July at 9.15 a.m. in the school playground to give us the opportunity to say a fond farewell to our Year 6 children who are leaving us to start secondary education. We wish them all the best and thank them for being such ambassadors for our school over the years. You are all welcome to join us.

We are also bidding a fond farewell to Mrs. Tattum and Mrs. Barker who are retiring after many years of loyal service to the school. Mr. Rowe is leaving us and the teaching profession to take up a new career and Miss Alia is leaving to start a teaching training course. We wish them all good luck for the future and thank them all for their dedication to our school.

Sports Clubs The children will have received the sports club letter for next term, closing date to apply for clubs was today. Mrs. Keohan will let you know if your child has a place or if they will be placed on the waiting list, hopefully before the end of term.

Mrs. Keohan also asks that all children have their P.E. kit in school at all times.

Breakfast and After Schools Clubs

Please remember to book as far ahead as possible for Breakfast and After Schools Clubs so that we can ensure we have enough staff to cover the amount of children present. We appreciate the need for the occasional emergency booking (and ask for these to be paid on the day) but please keep these for real emergencies only, to help with staffing. Thank you.

Lost Property

Lost property will be displayed in the playground every day until the end of term. Please remember to take all your children's items home at the end of term because the school is completely cleared over the summer holidays. Thank 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

St. Joseph's Got Talent – A letter about the St. Joseph's Got Talent competition is being e-mailed to you today. It will also be available on the website. If you would like a paper copy, please collect from the school office. Thank you.

Hot Meals - Children from Reception to Year 2 are entitled to a free hot meal every day. Please encourage your child to try the hot meals, they are lovely. If your child has a food allergy these can still be catered for as long as you let us know. Remember **ALL** meals need to be booked in advance including Reception – Year 2 and free school meals; without a booking form, meals will not be ordered. If your child is entering Year 3 you will now have to provide a packed lunch or order and pay for a hot meal. Please remember that the **deadline** for week beginning 5th September is next Monday 17th July. This includes orders via ParentPay. No orders can be taken after that date. Thank you.

Music Clubs - The letter for music clubs for the next academic year was sent home this week. Please can you return it by Wednesday 19th July 2017. If your child is currently learning an instrument and wants to continue or to stop their lessons they still need to return the form. Thank you.

PTFA News!

Thank you so much for your tremendous support at our Summer Fair!! We made over £2,000 profit! We are really looking forward to working with the school to put this money to good use for all the children next year. We have had a really successful year and your support at our events has raised enough money to give the children lots of little extras. We are incredibly grateful to you all. None of this could have happened without your support, whether you have donated a cake to our cake sale, been to a quiz, helped run a stall or joined in with the fun. A BIG THANK YOU from all of the PTFA committee. Inevitable the PTFA lose some parents each year and we are in need of more parents to join us so that we can keep fundraising for our school community. All the money we raise is spent on the children at St. Joseph's. You will be joining a very friendly group of parents and teachers who want to give the children as much as they can. Our first meeting is on 6th September and the AGM is 4th October at 7.00 p.m. Please come along to see what we spend the money on and if you would like to join the committee or offer to help at a particular event. We would love to see you there.

Community News

- Rossmore Library are holding a Teddy Bears Picnic on 17th August from 3.00 – 4.00 p.m. Bookings can be made on 01202 746023.
- Poole Harbour Family, Food and Music Festival from 28th – 30th July Baiter Harbourside Park.
- Murry Coaching Summer School 7th – 11th August & 29th August – 1st September please contact website www.murrycoaching.co.uk.
- Poole Town Football Club Summer School – please refer to our website for dates etc.

We have been passing on to you leaflets from a variety of organisations offering summer activities. Please remember that it is still the responsibility of the parent to ensure safeguarding procedures are in place when booking.

That leaves us only to say that we hope you all have a lovely six week Summer Holiday, that the sun shines on us all and we come back refreshed and raring to go in September. We wish our Year 6 all the best as they move on to their new schools this September. Thank you all for the wonderful support you have given us this year. Our community with our parents, friends and parishes are what makes this school so special, we are truly blessed by you all. It has been such a special year celebrating our 80th Anniversary. Thank you for being part of our past and the making of our future.

Don't forget school closes for the Summer Holidays on Friday 21st July at 1.30 P.M. and the first day back after the summer break is Tuesday 5th September 2017.



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