



Friday Update



17th March 2017

Pleas for help:

- We are going to display the lost property on the playground next week. If your child has lost anything please can you have a look! Anything left by the end of the week will be given a new home so that we can start afresh for the Summer Term. Please remember to name ALL your children's uniform, if it is misplaced we can get it back to its rightful owner.
- Parking – what's happened! You were doing so well but in the last month we have had parents driving and parking on the pavement and across our neighbours drives. This is illegal and dangerous. Please consider the safety of our children and respect our neighbours. Thank you
- **Please do not allow ANY child to use a bike or scooter etc in the playground. They MUST be pushed out of the school to avoid any accidents. Thank you**
- If you have any spare football boots or shin pads we would be really grateful if you could donate them to the school. Thank you

Owls and Squirrels – Year 1 – 'Mini-beasts'

The children are celebrating the end of their 'mini-beast' topic with an Ugly Bug Ball on Wednesday 30th March. **Please can all children in Year 1 come to school dressed as mini-beasts on that day.** They have been learning some lovely songs for their ball. Parents are invited to join us in the school hall at 2.30 p.m.

Foxes and Badgers – Year 2 – 'Our Patch'

Year 2 have been watching their frog spawn which has now developed into tadpoles. They also enjoyed the visit from the Owl Sanctuary and being able to see and touch these amazing creatures. We are looking forward to going to Upton Park – Foxes on Monday 27th and Badgers on Tuesday 28th March for pond dipping activities and exploring the wildlife.

Moles and Otters – Year 3 – 'Jurassic World'

Year 3 are looking forward to their trip to Lulworth Cove next month. If you have not yet returned the permission slip and money please can you do so by Monday 27th March. Thank you

Year 5 – Easter Reflection

Year 5 are busy practicing for the Easter Reflection which they are performing in the school hall on Tuesday 4th April at 7.00 p.m. Please keep that date free in your diaries. Thank you

Parent Consultation Evenings – Tuesday 28th and Thursday 30th March 2017

Parents evenings this term are on Tuesday 28th March from 3.30 – 7.00 p.m. and Thursday 30th March from 3.30 – 5.30 p.m. Please can you book an appointment on the sheets which will be displayed outside the classrooms for Otters, Moles, Class 4GW, 4EC, 5DP, 5PB, 6LR and 6RG. Hedgehogs class will be on the wall near their base and Owls, Squirrels, Foxes and Badgers will be on the wall by Moles classroom. **These will be on display before and after school from Monday 20th March until Thursday 23rd March.** If you are unable to make an appointment please phone the school and we can make an appointment for you.

PTFA Easter Bingo – Friday 31st March 2017

We are looking forward to our Easter Bingo and Mufti Day on 31st March. Please can children come to school wearing sensible mufti clothes and either donate an Easter Egg or £1. Ticket prices are £3.50 each or £12.00 for a family of 4, order forms have already been sent home, space copies available from the school office.

Payment for events – must be made in advance and it is really helpful if you can send exact money or cheques made payable to **St. Joseph's PTFA**. This really helps events run smoothly.
Waitrose Community Scheme – we are in the scheme for April. Please put your green tokens in the 'Schools' pot so that we can benefit. A big thank you to Waitrose for helping us once again! If you are able to help with any PTFA event but unable to attend meetings, please e-mail stjosephs_ptfa@hotmail.co.uk and we can add you to our mailing list. Thank you all once again.

Spring Music Concert – what a delight, we really have some talented children in our school, our musicians and singers entertained us so well. Thank you for all your hard work Mrs. Cook

Sports Teams So many of our sports teams have been taking part in competitions over the last few weeks, some very successfully. The children are always a credit to us and once again a big thank you to Mrs. Keohan for all her hard work with the sports in and after school.

Comic Relief – Friday 24th March 2017

We will be supporting this wonderful charity next Friday by asking the children to either come to school dressed as a ‘superhero’ or wear something red for a £1 donation. The School Council are selling red nose badges for 30p after school on Thursday or before and after school on Friday.

Staffing – Mrs. Ruth Gould will be leaving our school after 4 years of dedicated service of working in Year 5 and 6. We wish her well as she takes up her new role in Swanage in the Summer Term. Mr. Paul Reade will be covering Class 6RG for the Summer Term

Hot Meal Menu

The ‘Summer Menu’ starts after Easter. Don’t forget Monday 3rd April is the last chance for you to order meals for the first week back after the holidays. Order forms will be available next Wednesday 22nd March.

Nurses Drop-In Session – Friday 31st March 2017

There will be a Nurses Drop-in session next Friday 31st March from 9.00 – 9.30 a.m. If you have any medical concerns regarding your child please ‘drop-in.’

Community Report

Mrs. Perring came in on Thursday and asked us to help her collect new toothbrushes for when she goes to the Refugee Camps in Dunkirk with her church. If you are able to help please can you send the toothbrushes in for when Mrs. Perring returns next Thursday to collect them. Thank you for your continued support for those people much less fortunate than ourselves.

Poole Maritime Festival is running a ‘design a flag competition’ for children aged 5-11 years for display during the Poole Maritime Festival in May. For more information please visit

<https://www.poolemaritimefestival.co.uk/childrens-flag-competition>

Don’t forget the **CAFOD** copper collection before and after school on Friday’s to help raise money for the CAFOD Lenten appeal. Please send in your coppers. Thank you

Dates for your Diaries not included above:

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

Wednesday 22nd March Class 5PB & **Thursday 23rd March** Class 5DP going to Hengistbury Head A.M.

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

Friday 24th March – **Comic Relief**

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

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.