



Together we will do our best for Jesus'



Friday Update

9th October 2020

Little pleas for help!

- You may have noticed we have had several visits from the local Traffic Wardens and the camera cars. There are still a few repeat offenders who are travelling the wrong way against our voluntary one-way system and even worse, driving on the pavement when parents and children are walking on them. Not only is this breaking the law it is also endangering the safety of our parents and children.
- Thank you to all adults who are wearing face coverings when on the school playground but there are still quite a few people who are not wearing them. Unless you are exempt, please can you always wear a face mask on the playground to help stop the spread of the virus and keep the numbers low in our area. Thank you
- Please can you help the office by sending messages for any change of who is picking your child up from school, before lunchtime. This enables us to give the messages to the teacher at lunchtime as we are not allowed in class. Thank you
- Don't forget we have asked children **NOT** to bring school bags into school only book bags for Reception – Year 3 and lunch boxes. Thank you

Harvest Festival - Harvest Assembly will take place in children's classes on Friday 16th October at 9.00am. The focus will be praying for people around the world. On Harvest day, children will can come to school dressed in a colour of the Mission Rosary (red, blue, green, white or yellow) representing a continent (no football kits) for a £1 donation. The money collected will be split between the 'Poole Food Bank' and CAFOD. Unfortunately food products cannot be donated this year.'

Foundation Governor Vacancies: the Local Governing Body has two vacancies for Foundation Governors. Foundation Governors must be Catholics, but may be parents, guardians or other relatives of pupils, or parishioners of St Joseph's or Our Lady of Fatima. Foundation Governors are there to ensure the Catholic Ethos of the school in addition to the support and challenging role all governors undertake. If you or someone you know feels able to volunteer for this role, or for further information, please contact the school office or e-mail the Chair of Governors, Hugh Fogarty, at hfogarty@sjcp.co.uk

School Photographs - Fraser Portraits will be taking school photographs on Friday 20th November of pupils and siblings in school. Sorry for any confusion over the date. We had to change it because of the situation in the hall.

Secondary Transfers (current Year 6): Children due to transfer to Secondary School next September have to apply by 31st October 2020. A guide to the application process is available on our website (About us – Admissions page).

First Holy Communion - If you have a Catholic child in Year 3 or above and would like them to make their First Holy Communion next year, please see Father Chris after Mass. Thank you

Virtual Parents Evenings will be taking place week beginning 19th October – more information containing joining instructions to follow by email shortly.

Thank you for supporting the school during these challenging times by leaving the playground and area around the gates as quickly as possible and for keeping a 2 meter distance when waiting for the gates to open. Together we will keep each other safe and the local numbers low.

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