



Rawmarsh St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

Newsletter

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I must begin this week's newsletter with some sad news for our school- but exciting news for the person involved!

Mrs. Lord has been successful in being appointed to a new role, working for the Learning Support Service as a specialist teacher. She will work closely with other schools supporting children with additional needs and with their class teachers and parents. We wish Mrs. Lord every success on her career path as it takes its next turn. We are delighted that she will remain part of our school community as a Foundation Governor.

Mrs. Lord will take up her new post after Easter and so we will welcome Mr. Ladlow to our school community as our Foundation Teacher for the Summer term. He will be working in class for a few days between now and Easter, getting to know the children and the school routines.

Mrs. Lord will be in school each Friday between Easter and Spring Bank carrying out her SENCO duties alongside Mrs. Bacon from the Learning Support Service.

We will be recruiting a new member of staff for September and when this appointment is made I will inform you as soon as possible.

St Joseph's 80th Anniversary

We have had real life history taking place in school this week. We have found the registers of the school from 1936, the year the school opened. It has been fascinating to find parents, grandparents and in some cases great grand parents of children currently in school. We will be holding a celebration event in September so please let me know of any anecdotes etc and bring in any photographs that you would be willing to let us take copies of. Each class will focus upon one of the previous decades looking at fashion, food and music when we return after the Summer- how exciting!! I can't wait to hear all of your stories.

Thought for the week

"I know that it is okay for me to make mistakes"

This is an invaluable lesson for all of our children. Mistakes are how we learn the most. The children know that in class we would rather they have a go and make a mistake than not try at all. Please talk to them about this at home.



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Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Number Of Lates</u>	<u>% Attendance</u>
FS2 Mrs Lord	2	93.3
Year 1 Mr Terry	3	98.2
Year 2 Mrs Potts	1	98.3
Year 3 Miss Davis	4	96.7
Year 4 Mrs Butler/Mrs Russell	0	93.1
Year 5 Mr Searson	2	97.9
Year 6 Mrs Briggs	4	97.1
<u>School Totals</u>	16	96.4

Well done to Year 2 who were our winners this week. Well done to year 4 who were not interrupted by people arriving late last week. Please ensure that you arrive on time and that the children are ready for learning.

World Book Day

This was a great success with the children, and staff, looking fantastic. The book swap has also taken place today and again this has been brilliant for the children.

If you would like to use your World Book Day vouchers towards a book from Scholastic books then please see Mrs. Devine or send it in with your order. We would like the Scholastic book orders back by Friday 11th March

Masses and Liturgies this half term.

Thursday 10th March
Y6 Mass in church

Thursday 17th March
Y5 Mass in church

Wath Food Bank

If you are aware of anyone who may benefit from this service then please ask them to speak to me.

Teaching and Learning

We had a very positive visit from our Diocesan Consultant this week. He was particularly impressed with the improvements in writing and the presentation of the work the children are producing. Well done everyone.

Year 6 are continuing with their Heartstart sessions. It is wonderful to see them with excellent knowledge of what to do in an emergency and for them to be confident to help if something happens while they are there.



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I have seen some wonderful computer coding work from Year 3 this week linked to our Haris Burdick project and year 5 have now completed their work on Judaism.

Sports Hall Athletics

Well done to our Year 5's and Year 6's who took part in this event last week. Mrs. Butler and Mrs. Russell are creating a display on the corridor of our sporting achievements so far this year

Autism Awareness Week

Please speak to Mrs. Lord or Mrs. Glossop for further details of events that will be taking place during week 14th March.

Litter

Would you please encourage your children to use the bins provided for their litter before and after school. Thank you for your co operation with this.

Help wanted!!!!!!

If any of you would like to help our School Council with our outside areas then I would be most grateful. I would particularly like help with the "Friendship Garden" (Formerly the Peace Garden) If you are able to offer your services then please let either myself or Mrs. Devine know.

Family Learning Fairground Challenge

It was fantastic to see so many mums and dada attending the session this week and the models look brilliant. Well done everyone.

Additional INSET day

As you will all know the Government announced last week that there will be a Referendum Election on Thursday 23rd June. As a result of this the school will be closed to pupils on 23rd June as we will be used as a Polling Station.



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Diary Dates

Tuesday 7th March	Fire Safety Visit FS2, Y2 and Y4
Thursday 11th March	Attendance Panel meetings
Friday 11th March	St Joseph's Got Talent in the hall at 6pm
Monday 14th March	Year 3 and year 4 Showcase in the hall 2pm
Monday 14 th March	Autism Awareness Week
Tuesday 15th March	Year 1 and Year 2 Showcase in the hall. 2pm
Thursday 17th March	Year 5 and Year 6 Showcase in the hall at 2pm
Friday 18 th March	Sports Relief activities
Monday 21 st March	Poetry Day in school- Please see Mr. Seanson for more details

<u>Holy Week Liturgies</u> Monday 21 st March- Thursday 24 th March 2016	Monday 9:15am in the school- hall Palm Sunday	Y4
	Tuesday 9:15am in the school hall The Last Supper	FS2 and Y1
	Wednesday 9:15am Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane in the school hall	Y2
	Wednesday 2:30pm in the school hall The trial of Jesus	Y6
	Thursday 9:15am in the school hall The Denial of Peter	Y3
	Thursday 2pm in church The Crucifixion	Y5

Thursday 24th March

School Closes for Easter