



# Rawmarsh St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter

Website address

[www.rawmarshstjosephs.co.uk](http://www.rawmarshstjosephs.co.uk)

14<sup>th</sup> February 2014

Dear Parents and Carers,

Luckily we have not suffered any damage to school after the very strong winds and torrential rain. Please ensure your children come to school wrapped up. We are still praying for no snow days until we are on holiday.

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

**"I try to use words that make the world a better place like please, sorry and thank you."**

Whenever we have visitors into our school they often comment on the manners and behaviour of our children. Please continue to work with them in encouraging good manners and speaking politely both to each other and to adults as well.

### Attendance

<u>Class</u>	<u>Number Of Lates</u>	<u>% Attendance</u>
FS2 - Mrs. Lord	6	98.6
Y1 - Miss Jenkinson	4	94.0
Y2 - Mrs. Leng	3	95.5
Y3 - Mrs. Potts	5	94.8
Y4 - Miss Cree	0	<b>99.2</b>
Y5 - Mrs. Butler & Mrs. Russell	3	91.5
Y6 - Mrs. Briggs	1	92.2
<b>School Totals</b>	22	95.2

Well done to Foundation, Year 2 and Year 4 you all met or exceeded the school target of 95%. Especially well done to Year 4 who are the winners this week. Unfortunately learning was disrupted on 22 occasions last week, please ensure you are here on time as not only does your own child miss valuable learning time, it interrupts the learning of others. We raised £137 last week for the attendance shop with the non uniform day. Thank you to everyone for their donations



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### Wellies!!

If you have any wellies that your child has grown out of, please pass them on to Mrs. Lord. We would like the children to access our outdoor areas, even in the rainy weather! We are going to purchase some waterproof coats and over trousers to keep their uniforms clean!

### Book Week

Book week will begin with World Book day on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2014. There will be lots of book related activities taking place. One of the activities will be a book swap sale. This will be an opportunity to bring in any unwanted books that are in good condition, to swap for a small amount of money and will take place on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March. Please check the school website over the next few days for posters and more information

### Teaching and Learning

We began our week with an INSET day and all the adults were involved in Maths Makes Sense training. The beauty of the scheme is that it builds on prior knowledge and allows the children to use concrete objects for learning. This is even happening in Foundation which allows the building blocks for future learning to be set. Please see your child's teacher if you have any questions about it.

There will be a Parent's workshop on **Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April** at 2.30pm in the hall and a reply slip will come separately from Mrs. Potts who is the maths leader in school.

There have also been lots of visitors to school over the last few weeks who have been working with the teachers and me to get even better. Each time there has been anyone in school the children have been a real credit to you and our school.

### Cycle Shelter

You will have noticed the new additions to the areas near Mrs. Curran's room and in the entrance to the playground. We feel this is going to improve the environment for the children and keep you a little dryer! Thank you to Mrs. Curran who has seen the project through from beginning to end- Well done.

### Year 4 Open Afternoon.

This will take place on **Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February** not Friday 21<sup>st</sup> as the Y4 children will be swimming



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### Holiday activities at Rawmarsh Library

There are several activities taking place at the library this half term. Please check our school website for more details.

### Consultation Evening

You will receive a letter next week to choose times for your meeting with your child's teacher. This is an important way of finding out how much progress your child is making. The teachers will give advice and strategies that you can use at home to maximise the children's full potential. Although we are strongly focused on progress and attainment, part of our aims of the school is to develop the whole child. If your child has talents that they may not share with us at school please let us know.

### St Joseph's Got Talent.

The acts have all been working with their mentors this week and I am sure it will be a fantastic evening. Tickets and prices are as follows

£1 per adult

50p per child.

£3 for a family ticket of more than 3 people

On the night you will need to bring all your spare coins as the audience will choose 1 act to go through to the final and the judges will choose 2 more. There will be a final and again the audience will choose 1 winner and the judges will choose the other.

The children who are performing need to be back in school, with everything they need, by 5.30pm

There will be refreshments available and there will be a raffle. We are being supported by The Friends of St Joseph's so thank you to them. If you would like to be involved please see Mrs. Pink, Mrs. Briggs or Mrs. Curran

**Tickets will be available from Mrs. Biggins from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February**



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### DIARY DATES

Please check the dates regularly as I am adding extra ones each week.

Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> February

Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February

**Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> February**

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Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> March

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**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> March**

Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> March

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> March

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March**

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> April

NSPCC Workshops Y5 and Y6

Y3 Visit to Cannon Hall Farm

**Y6 Mass in church**

St Joseph's got talent 6pm in the school hall.

Attendance Panel Meetings

**Year 4 open Afternoon**

Rainbow day- The children can come to school in a coloured t shirt.

Year 3 Open Afternoon

School closes for half term at 3:15pm.

School reopens

Y2 visit to Manchester Science Museum

Parent Consultation Evening

**Ash Wednesday service for the children and parish 9.15am in the school hall**

World Book day and start of Book Week

Book swap day

Photographer in school

**Maths Makes Sense Parents Workshop. 2.30pm in the school hall**