



School Newsletter

Rawmarsh St Joseph's
Catholic Primary
School

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School News



Dear Parents/Carers

At last we have seen the sun! What a difference it makes. I know this hot weather is not likely to last, but please remember to send your child with a hat and sunscreen if needed.

KS1 and FS2 enjoyed a great trip to the 'The Deep' this week. They enjoyed seeing all the different fish, including jellyfish, stingrays and swordfish,

with the sharks making a massive impact. This will allow the children to put their learning into context for the next half term. A big thank you goes out to all the staff, who arranged the trip and the helpers who volunteered. Without them, these trips would not take place.

Y2 also attended the English Institute of Sport on Monday, where they had the chance to try out lots of different sporting activities. It was a great

day and the children really enjoyed themselves. Once again thank you to Miss Odell for volunteering to help out.

All the children, were a credit to the school and you as parents. Fantastic comments have been received back on how well behaved our children are.

Kind Regards

Mrs Briggs

Parents Evening

Thank you to all parents who attended the parents evening this week. Staff really relish these evenings, so they can share how well your child is getting on at school and next steps to take. I think the sunshine on Wednesday stopped some of you from attending. It is not too late, if you would like to make an appointment, please see your class teacher to arrange a mutually convenient time after school. These discussions are really important, for both of us in order to work together to improve outcomes for our children. Thank you also for completing the school questionnaire. On the

whole feedback was really positive. It was good to see that the comments raised, reiterated what we are working on. We still have a few areas to address and we are working on these. A report will be published on these findings later in this term.

Church Masses

Friday 20th April—9:00 am

Saturday 21st April—6:30 pm at Wath

Sunday 22nd April—Rose Towey at Wath

Fourth Sunday of Easter—11:00 am

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Important Dates to Remember

Monday 23rd April

Lunch time prayer club starts

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Leadership and Management Governors Meeting 6pm

Tuesday 24th April

Y5 Taster Day at St Pius

Wednesday 25th April

Year 1 Parents Meeting about Phonics Screening

Thursday 26th April

Mass at 6pm for Father Kieran in church. Tea and Coffee afterwards in the school hall.

St Joseph's Cup Winner



I am pleased to announce that this weeks winner of the St Joseph Cup goes to James Seddons for showing amazing curiosity in his Science work this week. James has amazing scientific knowledge and is always asking questions and sharing this with the rest of the class. Well done James a fantastic example of how being curious assists learning. Well done.

Stage Right, Theatre Group presents... *Magic melodies*, a night of entertainment and fund-raising for our school. See the flyers round school.

Friday 20th April at 7:15 pm at
Ryecroft club, Rawmarsh
Tickets £5
Family tickets £15.00

Please see Mrs Knight in school
Or Stacey Smith/Kathryn Dean Parent Voice

MAGIC MELODIES SCHOOL AND COMMUNITY



After School Club

Please be advised that earrings need to be removed for PE both in school and after school clubs, in line with the school policy.

Monday

Sewing Club—Mrs Potts and Mrs Chadfield

Football KS1—Mr Rockett

Tuesday

Football KS2—Mr Rockett

Thursday

Stay and Play—Miss Cooper

Choir—Mrs Beckett

Friday

Basketball—Mr Rockett—years 1 to 6

After School Boosters

Monday

Year 6—Maths

Wednesday

Year 6—Reading

Year 5—Maths (Mrs Boden)

Year 5—Maths (Mr Searson)

Letters for these will be sent out separately

The acts have been working hard this week, practicing their acts. Letters went out on Monday to all the children, who have been chosen to take part. Can parents please return the slip, so we know who will be attending.

The evenings starts at

St Joseph's Got Talent Night

6pm in the school hall.

Children who are taking part need to be back in school by 5:45 pm.

All the acts will perform and then there will be a interval, for the audience to choose their winner.

The two winners will then be announced.

We envisage the evening to end around 8pm.

Please join us in what is always a really good evening. Seeing children perform and sharing their amazing talents is always a really special moment. Tea and coffee and soft drinks will be available for 20p.

School Chaplain Prayer Sessions

Our school chaplain, Mrs Reynolds will be starting a prayer group on a Monday lunchtime, this will be held in church from 12:30 pm for all children. This will start on Monday 23rd April.

Mrs Reynolds will also be working with Year 4 and Year 5 this half term, on

Monday afternoon, looking at prayers through meditation, using bible stories as an introduction to questions, curiosity, interest and understanding.

Learning behaviour next half term is 'Curiosity'



Who to see in School

If you would like to discuss anything about your child then your first port of call is the class teacher, please see them either first thing in the morning or after school and arrange a convenient time to meet or speak via dojo.

Alternatively you can speak with Mrs Curran or Mrs Glossop our pastoral team who will be able to offer support or advice. If you then need to speak with either Mrs McLaughlin or Mrs Briggs, then Mrs Curran or the class teacher can make an appointment for you. If you would like to make an appointment rather than speak with the class teacher or our pastoral care team, please see Mrs Firth on reception to arrange an appointment.

Attendance

Our attendance target this year 97%, which is slightly above the local authority target set at 95%.

In Spring 1 we achieved 93.7% and in Spring 2 94.1%. I know we have had a few bugs going round school, but hopefully these will start to abate now the weather is turning warmer. We have also received a number of holiday requests during term time. Please be aware that

these requests will not be authorised. Any attendance which falls below 90% will be discussed with the Chair of Governors and a decision will be made as to whether they will be invited to the attendance panel or whether we refer to Education Welfare Officer or Family Support.

On a positive note, we have a number of children who will have achieved 100% attendance, at the last count it was over 80.



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Celebrate their success, any child by the end of the year who has received 5 out of the 6 attendance cards will be rewarded with a Circus Skills day. This will take place on 12th July. Remember it is not too late, every day counts.

Reminders

As stated last week in the newsletter, We are collecting for Weston Park as a tribute to Father Kieran, and the children are creating kindness cards as part of a fund raising competition. Please send any donations to school in a sealed envelope.

Thursday 24th April—Mass in church at 6pm for Father Kieran. Caitlin and Grace in year 6 will be reading bidding prayers. Tea and cof-

fee will be available in the hall afterwards.

The funeral will take place at Herringthorpe St Mary's on Friday 27th April at 11:00 am with a Crematorium Service at 12:30.



Weston Park
Cancer Charity



**Inset Day Thursday
3rd May Polling Day—
School Closed for
Children**

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Don't forget to look at our website for class newsletters and up to date information



Quote of the Week:

'Don't let doing what you can't do, stop you from doing what you can do'

By John Wooden

Diary Dates

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Requiem mass at St Mary's Her-
ringthorpe 11.00am

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Y6 visit to English Institute Sport

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St Joseph's got Talent night 6pm in school hall.

Tuesday 1st May

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Thursday 3rd May

Polling Day—School closed for children—Inset Day

Wednesday 9th May

FS2 eye test—school nurse

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Performing Arts—'Shrek the Musi-

cal performance starts 4pm

Saturday 12th May

Jumble Sale in School Hall 10-11am

Wednesday 16th May

Parents invited to view Puberty curriculum—year 5 at 2:30 pm

Thursday 17th May

Sarah Champion MP to visit school

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Parents invited to view Sex and Relationship curriculum for Year 6 at 2:30 pm

Friday 25th May

Year 6 at CLC all day

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School closes for Spring Bank

Attendance/Lates— - for week commencing 9th April 2018

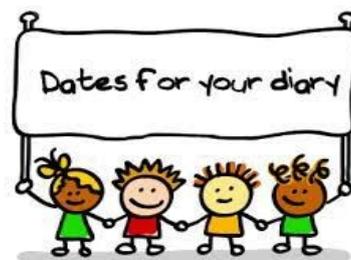
Please remember school starts at 8:50 am. You are classed as being late from 9:00 am when the register closes.

Class	Number Of Lates	% Attendance Target 97%
FS2 Miss Cooper	0	96.7%
Year 1 Mr Terry	4	98.3%
Year 2 Mrs Potts	0	97.6%
Year 3 Mrs Butler/Miss Cutler	0	93.0%
Year 4 Mrs Beckett	1	96.3%
Year 5 Mr Searson	2	92.1%
Year 6 Mrs Smith	0	93.9%
School Totals	7	95.4%

We now have a late gate in operation at the school entrance, parents who bring their child into school late, will need to speak with Mrs Devine, this is being monitored more closely and any consistent lates will result in a request to attend the Late Panel with the Chair of Governors and a referral to our EWO (Educational Welfare Officer)

Hospital/Dentist or Doctor's Appointments

If your child has an appointment in school time, please ensure that a copy of the letter or record card is brought into school, so we can copy this for our register, if the appointment is sent via a phone message please show this to Mrs Firth or Mrs Devine at the school office.



Y6 SATs Week

Monday 14th May

Grammar & Spelling

Tuesday 15th May

Reading

Wednesday 16th May

Arithmetic—Paper 1

Maths Reasoning—Paper 2

Thursday 17th May

Maths Reasoning—Paper 3