



ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2022-23 #11 12TH MAY

St. Joseph's is a joyful community which follows the example of Jesus, helping, accepting and respecting everyone, as we learn and grow together, safe in His love.

Stay and Pray

Yr2 joined the parish for Mass last week. Yr1 (16th May) and Reception (23rd May) will be next to attend. Parents are very welcome to attend in the church.



Friday 5th May Coronation Celebrations

C The children marked the coronation of King Charles III by wearing red, white and/or blue clothes. They also enjoyed a range of in class activities and a snack picnic in the afternoon.

Thank you to the PFA who supplied the children with a coronation keepsake – a coronation mug and pencil, and a packet of King Charles III favourite sweets (probably!)



KS2 SATS

Well done to our Year 6 children, who completed their SATs today. We hope the SATs breakfast helped you to get ready each morning! We are very proud of how you have prepared for these tests and we know that you have tried your best. A big **'THANK YOU'** to all the staff that have supported you, prepared you and who helped with breakfast.



Year 3&4 Road Safety Theatre - Years 3 & 4 enjoyed a road safety theatre presentation called 'Captain Callie & the Adventures of Bola'.

"I liked it because it was very informative. It taught us how to cross the road safely in 4 steps. Stop, Look, Listen, Think!" Darcie and Patrick, 4B

"It was fun to watch but it still gave us important messages." Penny and Lena, 4CH.

Rosary - Month of May

Thank you to everyone who has been able to join us for the Rosary with their child's class. We continue to pray at the start of the school day (8.50am in the playground) and parents & grandparents are very welcome to join us. Dates were sent via email at the end of April. Children can bring in Rosary beads on the day and the class will start the day in the playground praying a decade of the Rosary.



Year 5 Globe Trip - Last

week, Year 5 got to go on an adventure back to 1606 as they visited the famous Globe Theatre. The children were able to go inside the famous theatre, stand by the stage and even had a go at creating their own scenes from Macbeth. I know the staff were extremely proud of how the year 5 children represented St Joseph's on the tube and at the theatre so well-done Year 5.

Class 5A Assembly - On Thursday, 11th May, 5A pupils shared their learning in the Class assembly, which was described later as "captivating". The children performed a selection of songs based on William Shakespeare's play "Macbeth"; re-enacted the process of mummification; and recreated a poignant moment in history of the first landing on the moon. Some of the scripts, actions and props were suggested and created by the children. It was a memorable spectacle enjoyed by both the audience and its participants. One of the Y3 pupils commented, "I felt like I was in the play: it was so real."

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTION



The ballot for a new PARENT GOVERNOR will close on **Monday 15th May, 12pm**. Details about the candidates and a link to vote were sent electronically via ParentMail on 5th May. Please vote if you have not yet done so.



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Please read the additional attached guides relating to online safety

Guide to Smartwatches
Guide to Telegram



Payments for the Year 6 trip to PGL should now be completed. If you have any outstanding amount on your account, please complete payments now.

School Attendance

Please find a short video clip from the London Borough of Havering regarding the importance of school attendance



<https://www.veed.io/view/10ab22de-47fe-4487-b13a-a39ec9c2a550?panel=share>

We have also attached some frequently asked questions which you may find useful.



Parking

Please remember that Gridiron Place (off St. Mary's Lane, opposite the Junior Playground) is a **private road** and therefore non-residents should not park there.

The school is being sent photographs of parents parking in that road. To help us maintain good relations with our neighbours, please stop doing this.



Next week is LivingStreets' WalktoSchoolWeek! Our pupils will learn about important reasons to walk and the difference it can make for individuals, communities and the planet!

Prayers for Mary's Intercession

Holy Mary,
Help those in need,
give strength to the weak,
comfort the sorrowful.
Pray for God's people.
May all who seek your help,
experience your unfailing protection.
Amen.



Hail Holy Queen (Salve Regina)

Hail, holy Queen,
Mother of Mercy, Our life,
our sweetness and our hope.

To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve,
To thee do we send up our sighs,
Mourning and weeping in this valley of tears.

Turn then, most gracious Advocate,
thine eyes of mercy toward us,

And after this our exile,
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus.

O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary!
Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God,
That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.
Amen

Year 5 Parents

We are starting to receive information about 'Taster Days' at various secondary schools. We will pass the information on to you via ParentMail – this is not a recommendation of any particular school.

UPCOMING EVENTS/DIARY DATES

Monday 15 th May	Class 5A Rosary in the playground
Tuesday 16 th May	Year 1 Stay and Pray/ Class 5C Rosary in the playground
Wednesday 17 th May	3R English Workshop – 9.15am / Class 4CH Marine Unit Trip
Thursday 18 th May	Class 5C Assembly – 2.15pm / Census Day SPECIAL MENU
Friday 19 th May	Class 6B Rosary in the playground
Monday 22 nd May	Class 4CH Rosary in the playground
Tuesday 23 rd May	Reception Year Stay and Pray /Reception Year Rosary in the playground/ Year 1 Tithe Barn Visit
Wednesday 24 th May	Year 4 Thames Chase Trip/ Class 6S Rosary in the playground
Thursday 25 th May	1N Class Assembly
Friday 26 th May	Class 2P Rainham Marshes Trip/ School closes for Half-Term break – 3.15pm

SEE DIARY DATES ON THE SCHOOL WEBSITE: <https://st-josephs-upminster.net/term-dates/>

Details about specific events are sent to classes/year groups via ParentMail