



ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

2023-24 #2 6TH OCTOBER 2023

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

Year 4 (26th Sept) attended St Joseph's Church for the Stay and Pray Mass. Year 3 (10th Oct) & Year 2 (17th Oct) will be the next to attend.

Please remember that all parents are always welcome to attend morning Mass in the parish.

A CHILD'S PRAYER TO MARY

HOLY MARY, MOTHER FAIR,
FILLED WITH LOVE FOR GOD,
PRAY FOR US IN ALL OUR
NEEDS.
PRAY FOR US TODAY



Attendance Matters



| Group | % Attendance |
|-------|--------------|
| 4B | 99.1 % |
| 4A | 98.8 % |
| 3T | 98.4 % |
| 5M | 98.3 % |
| 6B | 98.1 % |
| 2F | 98.0 % |
| 6S | 97.9 % |
| 5C | 97.7 % |
| 2P | 97.5 % |
| 1CD | 96.6 % |
| 1N | 95.8 % |
| 3R | 94.6 % |

HOLY ROSARY MONTH

During October, the month of the Holy Rosary, we have been praying a decade of the Rosary each morning at 8.50am in the playground. This week, thank you to 6S, 3R, 4B, 3T & 6B. Over the next two weeks, the Rosary will be prayed by 4A (Mon9th), 5C (Tues10th), 5M (Wed11th), 2P (Thurs12th), 2F (Fri13th), 1CD



WELL DONE 4B FOR ACHIEVING THE HIGHEST ATTENDANCE AGAIN!

Thank you to all our parents who park considerately.



However – parents must not use the school car park at any time during the school day. **If you are arriving late or collecting early, please do not swing into the car park.** Teachers /children/ parents could be entering/exiting during this time and so driving into the car park is extremely dangerous.

When picking a child from school earlier due to your child not feeling well the arrangements can be made for you to collect them via the side gate by the church. Please inform the school office if that's more convenient for you.

Be aware that Gridiron Place is a private road and residents are capturing images of people parking illegally there and are considering legal action against offenders.

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SPORTS News

A really big thank you to the **Sion Community Mission** team who worked hard throughout the week in school. Henar, Andy, Jools, Louisa, Marcelli and Vitek led the children through arrange of assemblies, workshops and two wonderful KS2 shows. The assemblies were full of fun and singing and movement and the children had a really enjoyable and uplifting week.

NETBALL COACH NEEDED

Mrs Willson is looking for someone to help with the running of the year 5&6 netball club which takes place on Thursdays after school. If you have previously played or coached and would be interested in helping please contact Claire Willson in the school office.

Sports clubs are now up and running. The infant children have been enjoying the Premier Sports clubs, including multiskills & basketball and the juniors have attended Chelsea FC football, and the football /netball clubs run by Mrs Willson and Mr Cormack. We have been really impressed with the children & their attitude towards sport.

Trials are taking place today at Upminster park for the year 5 & 6 cross country competition which will be coming up shortly. Good luck to all the runners. We are hoping to start a running club after half term more details to follow shortly.

A special thank you to Mr Harding for volunteering his time to the boys' football club, it is very much appreciated.



Thank you to Mr Lerner, Head of The Champion School, and Ms Qurrey, Head of The Sacred Heart of Mary School for coming to talk to the Year 6 parents and children. It was really helpful to have an opportunity to be able to ask questions about secondary school life and we hope everyone found it useful.



Year 2 went to Rainham Marshes and had a great time identifying plants and pond creatures.



Congratulations to the following children who have been appointed as their **Class Eco Representative**. These children have resumed a Recycling Project in school. They will be working together on a range of eco-projects throughout this year. Thank you for all of your hard work so far. I look forward to working with you all! Miss Noll

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| Esme - 1CD | Hayden – 4B |
| Blossom - 1N | Emily-Jane – 4A |
| Sophie - 2F | Sophia – 5M |
| Beatrice - 2P | Elsa – 5C |
| Albie - 3T | Mantas – 6S |
| Paloma - 3R | Ebube – 6B |

Term Dates

All remaining non-pupil INSET days are as follows:

Friday 1st December 2023
Friday 16th February 2024
Friday 24th May 2024
Monday 1st July 2024