



ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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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 2 joined the parish community for Stay and Pray on Friday 5th March. Year 1 will have theirs on Tuesday 12th March

Please remember that all parents are always welcome to attend morning Mass in the parish, every morning at 9.15am

On Wednesday, **Years 5 and 6** were visited by Tom and Jake from Chelsea Football Club, who talked to the children about Women in History. This was to coincide with International Women's Day Celebrations (which takes place on Friday 8th March). All of the children were very engaged in the discussions and it left them with lots to think about. Thanks to Mrs Willson for organising this visit.



Group	% Attendance
2F	94.2
RD	93.8
4B	93.2
6S	92.9
RW	92.6
6B	92.5
3R	92.3
3T	91.6
5C	91.2
1N	91.2
5M	90.5
4A	90.2
2P	89.8
1CD	88.7

Well done 2F for achieving the highest attendance in the last 2 weeks.

Please be reminded that children are not allowed to bring toys to school. That includes Loom bands and Sports Cards.

Star of the week!



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When I attended an interview to work at St Joseph's, I knew immediately that it was the place I wanted to work. The staff and children were welcoming, supportive and the strong sense of community emanated throughout. After working at St Joseph's for 10 years, my opinion has not changed and it was with a heavy heart and for personal reasons that I chose to leave a job that holds a place in my heart. I was overwhelmed with messages of support, cards, drawings and gifts and would like to extend my sincere thanks to everyone for making my job such an enjoyable place to be.

Thank you 🙏 From Mrs Boatswain

SPORTS news

Today the **Year 5 & 6** girls' football team took part in The Biggest Ever Football Session as part of the FA initiative to get more girls playing football.

Girls from all over Havering and the rest of the country took part in football training, sessions and tournaments to try and beat last year's goal of 265,000 girls playing on the same day.

Mrs Willson and Mr Cormack organised a mini 'tournament', #LETGIRLSPLAY where the girls were split into three teams and I am pleased to announce the winner of the tournament was Team 1, headed by Team Captain Rosie B.

Well done to all the girls who took part.



As it is Mothering Sunday this weekend, an Irish blessing for all the mothers and grandmothers among you:

There is but one and only one, whose love will fail you never. One who lives from sun to sun, with constant fond endeavour.

There is but one and only one, on earth there is no other. In heaven a noble work was done, when God gave you a Mother.



Upcoming Diary dates March 2024

Tuesday 12 th March	Year 1 - Stay and Pray – parents welcome
Wednesday 13 th March	Year 4 – Parent reading workshop
Thursday 14 th March	Class 3T Assembly – 2.15pm parents welcome

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WORLD BOOK DAY

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Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 were delighted to see so many parents for their reading sessions. Reading for pleasure is a key focus for us, and these sessions provided the perfect opportunity to enjoy books with loved ones.

Year 3 had their reading workshop which was well-attended. Parents learned about how reading is taught in Year 3, and had an opportunity to complete a comprehension with their child.



World Book Day was a huge success, and children enjoyed a range of book activities throughout the day. We would like to thank our lovely PFA volunteers for the hot chocolate and biscuits.

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Year 3 Roman day

Both Year 3 classes had a thoroughly enjoyable day to launch their Roman topic

