



# St Joseph's News

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*The whole Law is summed up in a single command: "Love your neighbour as you love yourself." Galatians 5:14*

## St Joseph's Football News

On Saturday 15 October, the St Joseph's football team played in a tournament against teams from other Brent schools. In the group stage, St Joseph's beat Leopold and Brentfield and drew the match against St Joseph's Wembley. In the quarter final we played the 2010 winners, Oakington Manor, and beat them 1-0. In the semi final match, we beat St Joseph's Wembley 2-0.

For the first time since the tournament began in 1966, St Joseph's reached the final! We lost 2-0 against Byron Court but we are still very proud of this fantastic achievement. Well done to the whole team for demonstrating 'fair play' throughout the tournament and for receiving compliments from other teams for their great performance and excellent behaviour. The St Joseph's team players were Conor (captain), Joshua, Keano, James, Tarique, Wesley, Matthew, Jahreem, Felix and Jaquim.

## Merit And Student Of The Week Certificates

In our Friday morning assembly, the following children received **Merit Certificates** in recognition of their effort this week:

Nas 2B, Kai 2M, Mark-Bradley 3F, Margaret Mary 3M, Nya 3A, Klaudia 4O, Victoria 4K, Shaun 4D, Wiktoria 5W, Aoife 5M, Zanika 5E, Nicholas 6K, David 6D, Shekiera 6F

**Student Of The Week Certificates** were issued to:

**Naomi 2B** - for always working hard

**Lily-Anne 3F** - for trying really hard with her work on playscripts

**Renee 5E** - for always taking part in class discussions

## School Trips

We have organised two out of school visits for the week beginning 31 October. Year 4 classes will be visiting the Tower Of London and Year 6 will be going to the Millfield theatre on the morning of Thursday 3 November. Please ensure that permission slips and monies are handed in at the school office by Monday 31 October.

On Thursday 1 November, children from Year 3 to 6 will be attending an All Saints mass at Our Lady Of Willesden. Mass will start at 10.00am and parents are very welcome to join us.

## Half Term Holiday

Please remember that school will be closed for the half term break from Monday 24 October to Friday 28 October. Children return to school on Monday 31 October.

We wish all our families a very safe and happy half term break and we look forward to hearing the children share their news from the holiday.

## Attendance

This week, 329 children from Years 1 to 6 came to school every day and the whole school attendance for the week was 98%. The best class attendance is shared by 4K and 6F with 100% attendance all week but they were very closely followed by class 4D.

Congratulations to the classes who did not receive an official late mark all week - 3F, 4O, and 5NW.

### **Class 2B Assembly**

Last Tuesday, Class 2B held an assembly about castles. The children told us about what they have been learning and about their trip to Tower Of London.

Some of the children used drama to communicate what happened during the time when William The Conqueror lived. We learned historical facts about castles, who lived in them and where they were built. We also heard some wonderful poems which the children had written in class.

Class 2B were very excited to present their assembly to parents, staff and children from other classes. Thank you to everyone who came to find out about the creative learning experiences enjoyed by the children at St Joseph's.

### **Class 1G Assembly**

On Tuesday of this week, Class 1G presented a wonderful assembly on the theme of 'Toys'.

The children compared their toys with those that children played with in the past. Class 1G painted teddy bears, made a collage and even made a class robot called Robbie!

It was lovely to see some of our youngest children sharing their work with their parents and singing songs beautifully and with confidence. Thank you to Miss Groome and Class 1G for a great assembly.

### **Class 6K Assembly**

This week, we were treated to a fantastic assembly from Class 6K where we were taken back in time to the Victorian era!

We met Queen Victoria, Lord Shaftesbury, Dr Barnado and Lord Melbourne who enlightened us all about what it was like to grow up in Victorian Britain.

Two very strict teachers from the year 1840 came to teach the children arithmetic, writing and reading using slates and lead pencils!

The whole class had a great time dressing up for their role play and this helped to bring their learning alive. Thank you to Mrs Karashialis for directing this very interactive performance.

### **Fundraising Appeal**

Children have brought home an appeal envelope from the Catholic Children's Society.

Please take the opportunity during the half term break to check if you have any unwanted items of jewellery which could be donated to this appeal. Any items received will help, even broken or incomplete pieces of jewellery will benefit the charity.

Items should be placed in the envelope and returned to school after the half term break. Please remember to write your child's full name on the envelope as they will be entered into a free draw to win a prize!

The families of St Joseph's have always given generously to charitable appeals so we look forward to another positive response for this worthy cause.

### **Nursery And Reception Admissions**

Application packs are now available for our 2012-13 Nursery and Reception classes. To apply for a Nursery place, your child's date of birth must be between 01/09/2008 and 31/08/2009. Reception applicants must have a date of birth between 01/09/2007 and 31/08/2008. Please collect an application pack from the school office.

### **Friends Of St Joseph's**

Please remember to bring in any unwanted DVDs, CDs, games, mobile phones, cables, wires and empty printer cartridges. These items can be recycled to generate funds for the school.