



St Joseph's News

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Use whatever gift you have received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms
1 Peter 4:10

Message From The Headteacher

It is hard to believe that we have reached that time again where we are saying goodbye to our Year 6 pupils and reflecting on the achievements and experiences of the whole school since September. It has been a full year with engaging learning activities and exciting school trips. We have also celebrated the diverse talents of our pupils which were showcased during our themed weeks of 'Creative Arts', 'Science', 'French' and 'Black History'. There was also a historic sporting achievement for the school which you can read about on the next page!

I am delighted to announce that our Year 6 SATs results reflect the excellent teaching and learning practices which have been developed at St Joseph's. It is safe to assume that, once again, St Joseph's will be placed in the top percentile of all schools nationally.

Congratulations to all our children for their achievements this year. I wish Year 6 a smooth transition to their new schools and I look forward to hearing about their continued success. I hope that everyone has a safe, enjoyable and fun-filled summer holiday and I know you will tell me all about it in September!

**God bless,
Mrs Titus**

Attendance

During the week beginning 09 July, 328 children from Years 1 to 6 came to school every day. The best class attendance was awarded to Classes 2M, 4D and 6K with 100% attendance.

Over 90 children were invited to attend the Chessington trip on Thursday 19 July in recognition of achieving excellent attendance this academic year. Congratulations to Class 4D who achieved best class attendance with an average attendance of 98.4% every week. This means that Class 4D has accessed every learning opportunity so they can reach their full potential.

Please remember that even 'authorised' absences impact on your child's learning so your child should be at school every day unless they are very unwell or have a potentially contagious illness such as chicken pox, conjunctivitis or diarrhoea.

To ensure we meet the safeguarding requirements as directed by national government and the local authority, please follow these procedures when your child is absent from school:

- When the absence is known in advance, please let the school know as soon as possible by writing to Mrs Studd, our Education Support Manager. Please give a detailed reason for absence and attach a copy of any relevant documentation e.g hospital appointment letter.
- In the event of an unexpected absence, please telephone every day before 9.00am. You may call early in the morning and leave an answerphone message. Please give a detailed reason for absence e.g. 'stomach upset' as this helps us to monitor if a number of children are away for the same reason.
- When your child returns to school, please complete the Reason For Absence form which is available from the school office or can be downloaded from our website. Alternatively, you may write your own note. Please give a detailed reason for absence and attach any relevant documentation.

All pupils return to school on Wednesday 05 September 2012

Year 6 Trip To France

On Monday 16 July, 35 of our Year 6 children spent the day in Boulogne-sur-mer, France.

We travelled by ferry from Dover to Calais. The children really enjoyed the ferry crossing on the way to France but less so on the way back as the sea was really rough!

The children were very excited to be spending the day in France. The children made the most of their time on the beach and enjoyed spending some Euros in shops; trying out some of their newly acquired French vocabulary!

This was a truly enjoyable day trip where all involved had a great time. **Bravo** to Year 6 for their excellent behaviour and showing a high level of maturity during this very memorable experience.



St Joseph's Football Final

We promised you an exciting match and that is exactly what St Joseph's delivered on Tuesday evening in the match against Malorees for the Brent League Championship. The match ended in a 2-0 victory for St Joseph's with two first half goals from Keano and Jaquim.

This was a fantastic match to watch as the whole team put in every effort to ensure St Joseph's won the league for the first time in the school's history. The boys had wonderful support from other pupils, staff, parents and governors who cheered the players throughout the match.

Congratulations to the whole team who were superbly coached by Mr Mackey with assistance from Mrs Titus, our newly appointed Director of Football! We also like to thank Newman Catholic College for hosting the match and providing the officials to ensure the match was played fairly and in the right spirit.

The whole team showed amazing determination but we would like to give a special mention to Joshua, Keano, Jaquim for their excellent contribution and to Conor, the team captain, for superb leadership on the pitch.

St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School Football Squad 2011-12

<i>Joshua 6D</i>	<i>Keano 6K</i>
<i>Wesley 6F</i>	<i>Felix 5NW</i>
<i>Tarique 6F</i>	<i>Jaquim 5NW</i>
<i>Matthew 5NW</i>	<i>James 6K</i>
<i>Jahrem 5NW</i>	<i>Rui 6K</i>
<i>Shaun 4D</i>	<i>Conor 6K (Captain)</i>



Please check the website during the summer holidays for more news and photographs from recent events