



St Joseph's News

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Let everything that breathes praise the Lord! Praise the Lord ! Psalm 150:6

People Of Prayer

On Tuesday, Pope Francis spoke about David's Prayer of Praise from the Second Book of Samuel in which "David danced with all his might before the Lord". Pope Francis explained that the people of Israel were celebrating because the Ark of the Covenant was returning home.

Pope Francis stated that the passage caused his thoughts to turn to Sarah, Abraham's wife, who, after giving birth to her son, Isaac, said, "The Lord made me dance with joy."

This is a reminder to us to ensure we praise God for all our blessings, that we offer prayers of thanksgiving and that we should celebrate the joy that comes from our almighty Father.

Late Arrival At School

Parents are reminded that **all** children must be in school by 8.55am at the latest. Year 3 to Year 6 pupils can arrive as early as 8.30am. Year 1 and Year 2 children may be handed over to staff at the infant entrance doors from 8.45am. Therefore, there is no excuse for habitual lateness.

We appreciate that morning routines may be disrupted on rare occasions. In this case, please telephone the school before 9.00am to inform us of the problem and to let us know when you expect your child will arrive at school. You may be advised to bring your child at lunch time to avoid disruption to classes.

Persistent / habitual latecomers will not be admitted after 9.00am so please do not bring your child to school until their lunch time if you cannot get here on time. Please note that parents will be contacted if their child arrives at school alone after 9.00am. As this may lead to a referral to Social Services for child abandonment, please ensure that you escort your child to the school office and that you sign the 'late book'.

If you have a particular circumstance that affects your child/ren arriving on time, please make an appointment to see Mrs Studd as children should not be at a learning disadvantage owing to poor punctuality.

Merit And Student Of The Week Certificates

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

Gabrielle 2C, Nyra 2O, Hannah 2M, Jessica 3A, Anithaney 3F, Georgine 3M, Laura 4A, Ciara 4M, Ella 4O, Tarian 5D, Aezandra 5R, Quentin 5M, Alexander 6K, Mihajlo 6N

Student Of The Week Certificates were issued to:

- Mya 2O** for making a great effort in all subjects
- Victoria D 3M** for being a great role model to other children in the class
- Jericka 5D** for consistent hard work across all subject areas

Attendance

Classes 2C, 4M, 4O, and 5R all achieved 100% attendance this week.

Classes 3A, 4M, 4O and 6N received NO late marks last week.

As Year 3 to Year 6 children may arrive from 8.30am and Year 1 to Year 2 can arrive from 8.45am, there is no excuse for regular lateness. Please respect your children's right to learn by getting them to school on time.