



# St Joseph's News

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He said to them, 'When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. **Luke 11:2**

## Message From the Executive Headmistress

Dear Parents and Guardians

I am writing to thank you once again for your support and prayers through the school year. As a community, we have shown resilience in order to preserve the education of our children, even in the most difficult of circumstances.

The staff and I were overwhelmed with your gifts on the last day and we all wish to express our gratitude for your generosity and kindness.

To ensure we start the next academic year with a continuation of the focus on high standards and a fruitful home / school partnership, I would like to remind parents of the following:

- All children are expected to attend school every day and to arrive on time. 'Soft start' continues from 8.30am with the official learning day starting at 8.55am. There can be no excuse for persistent absence or habitual lateness.
- All children must arrive every day in full and correct school uniform. This includes being neat and tidy in presentation and having an appropriate hairstyle in line with the School Uniform Policy.
- Children must bring in any equipment when requested including full PE Kit and Swimming Kit.
- Children's behaviour must continue to be in accordance with the Catholic ethos of the school at all times. St Joseph's has outstanding behaviour so it is important to maintain these high standards.
- Children's homework must be completed on time to ensure they have understood prior learning and are ready for the next steps.
- Payments for school dinners, after school activities, Breakfast Club, After School Club and school trips must be made on time to support efficient administration and to ensure all our time and efforts are focused on the children's learning.

All the staff are looking forward to another successful year with the children and have already planned the first few weeks to ensure learning time is maximised and that every day makes a difference.

I trust that you will have a wonderful summer holiday and I look forward to seeing you on Thursday 8 September.

God bless,

**Mrs Titus**  
Executive Headmistress

## Attendance

Congratulations to Class 5L for achieving the best class attendance for the year with 98.4% attendance! We also offer congratulations to the 80 children from Reception to Year 5 who have achieved 100% attendance this year and therefore will join Class 5L on the reward trip in September to Chessington World of Adventures!

**Parents who choose to take their child out of school during term time will each be referred to Brent Education Welfare and may be issued with a £120 Education Penalty Notice Fine per child (reduced to £60 if paid within 21 days of issue date)**

## St Joseph's Mission Statement

At St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School we strive to create a stimulating environment so that by learning, playing and working together, we openly follow Christ's teachings. We seek to offer every person the opportunity to be a unique and valued individual, sharing and developing belief in the teachings of Jesus through everyday relationships and mutual respect in our dealings with one another.

In order to achieve our mission:

- We stand on holy ground
- We will always open our doors in welcome
- We will always love and care for each other as Jesus taught us
- We will always place the Word of God at the heart of our school
- We will always be witnesses to our faith by following in the footsteps of Christ

## Year 2 Visit to Kew Gardens

On Thursday 14 July, the Year 2 classes visited Kew Gardens in relation to their Science learning topic about plants.

The children had a fantastic day exploring the gardens and finding out about all the different varieties of flowers, plants and trees.



## Year 6 Awards Presentation

At our end of year award ceremony on Thursday morning, we took the opportunity to celebrate the contributions made by our Year 6 children.

It is always difficult to choose the children who have made outstanding and consistent achievements but we finally decided on the following awards:

<b>Head Girl Award</b>	Ciara Molloy
<b>Head Boy Award</b>	Joshua Johnson
<b>Deputy Head Girl</b>	Leesha Charles
<b>Deputy Head Boy</b>	Sebastian Norman
<b>Musician of the Year</b>	Kasarachukwu Kemakolam
<b>Mathematician of the Year</b>	Sinead Calbario-King
<b>Writer of the Year</b>	Ella Phil-Ebosie
<b>Sportsperson of the Year</b>	Rio Kyerematen
<b>Artist of the Year</b>	Sylvia Gawruk

Congratulations to three children who were recognised for their outstanding contribution to school life:

**Joshua Iwanczuk Naomi Morhan-Monney Elian Cipriano Beraldo**

The Spirit of St Joseph's award was presented to:

**Trudy-Bernadine Abiola**

## Peer Mentors

On Monday 18 July, the Peer Mentors enjoyed a celebration held to recognise their commitment and service to the St Joseph's school community in 2015-16.

The children have worked hard all year to ensure the school is a happy and safe environment. They have supported at break times with leading games, monitoring litter and organising the Tuck Shop. One of their greatest responsibilities is to look out for each other so everyone at St Joseph's feels accepted and has a secure sense of belonging.



## Celebrations

During our last week of school, we have held a number of events to celebrate our year together; to focus on our achievements and to say a fond farewell to Year 6.

We are particularly proud of our leavers who are going on to the next stage in their educational journey. In a year of unexpected events, the children have remained focused on their faith, their aspirations and their ambitions. Their expectations are limitless!

Therefore, following Jesus' example of community and celebration, we have this week enjoyed Mass, assemblies and a musical showcase!



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Dear Mrs D Titus,

Thank you so much for St Joseph's Catholic Primary School's amazing donation of £2359.70! Please thank your pupils, staff and families for supporting the Catholic Children's Society's 'Follow In His Footsteps' Lenten Appeal this year.

Paul said how lovely it was to visit your school and meet you all in February! He commented on how wonderful it was to listen to the children's fundraising ideas and to hear their compassion and commitment to helping other children.

Your donation will help support our local Family Centres, our ConnectEd Counselling Therapy Services and our Crisis Fund. We were so happy to use the Crisis Fund to help your school last year- please do let us know if you ever need to access the Fund again.



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We would like to thank

**St Joseph's Catholic Primary School**  
for raising **£2,359.70** in this year's  
**Lenten Appeal!**



to help local children, young people  
and families living in poverty