



St Joseph's News

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Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you. Philippians 4:9

Half-Term Break

It seems a long time ago since the start of the new academic year on 9 September 2015. We have been through the most unexpected experience with the school fire followed by the temporary relocation of our school learning environment.

We have been inundated with supportive messages, donations and resources from parents, other schools and the wider community which has been a tremendous source of strength. Our faith has kept us focused on our core purpose which is to provide an outstanding educational learning experience with our Catholic ethos at the centre of all we do.

The children have been fantastic in their ability to adapt to a different environment and have shown amazing resilience. They have continued to progress with their learning and maintained a dedicated approach.

In Paul's letter to the Philippians, he reminds them to keep doing the things they have learned, received, heard and seen about God and His peace will be with them. This has very much been the experience of the St Joseph's community. In getting back to education within 8 school days of the fire, we kept our focus on our values and we have known God's peace over the situation.

I trust that you will all have a well-deserved rest next week and take the opportunity to enjoy time with each other.

God bless,

Mrs Titus
Executive Headmistress

Visit From Bishop John



On Monday 19 October, Bishop John Sherrington came to visit us at our temporary location.

Bishop John was very impressed with the efforts of the staff and children.

He commented on how well the children and staff are working together to ensure the continuation of learning.



Attendance

Please ensure that your child aims for 100% attendance this year. Every lesson counts so your child can benefit from the excellent learning opportunities at St Joseph's.

Children must also arrive on time every day to ensure they access the full curriculum. Poor punctuality affects your child's learning, the learning of others and is very inconsiderate.

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

School Shoes

There has been a small number of enquiries from some parents with regards to refunds for purchasing replacement school shoes.

Unfortunately, we cannot issue the cash refunds from our current sites but we will be in a position to deal with this after we have relocated and settled back at the St Joseph's site.

Parents who have had to make a purchase and require the school to refund the cost (one pair per child up to the value of £20) should retain their receipt and await a further announcement in the next half-term.

FrightTastic Friday

As part of their current learning on different writing genres, the children came to school dressed as their favourite character representing 'scary stories'.

It was wonderful to see the children continuing to enjoy their learning on writing styles.

