

# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School: Newsletter 19.05.23

Mission
Together we love, learn, follow Jesus
Vision
At St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, through an open and generous heart, we learn together as a family in faith, following the gospel values of love.
Values
Hope Thankfulness Collaboration Compassion Friendship Resilience Empathy Creativity Justice Respect



## A Message from Miss Dewhurst:

This week we have enjoyed a number of enrichment activities. Class R/1 had a wonderful time visiting the farm! They were involved in a plethora of activities whilst they were there. From tractor and donkey rides, to learning about how the cows are looked after and learning about how we get our milk from them!

It was a day full of enjoyment, learning and spending time with friends! I'm sure they had a lot to say when they returned home and I am presuming and hoping they slept well that night!

We also enjoyed welcoming our parents into school again, to share and celebrate with us. Firstly, Class 4/5 were invited to come and share Collective Worship and then we ended the week with Class 2/3 leading our Class Mass in school with Father Raphael. The children led the prayers and readings as we learnt about Jesus ascending back to heaven. He left his friends on earth to go back to his father. The Ascension is an important reminder that our time on earth is precious and we must live it to the full; through the messages Jesus taught us—by being kind, showing forgiveness and praying. Well done Class 2/3 for living out this example in Mass today.



**Pope Francis:** Jesus ascends to the Father to intercede on our behalf, to present our humanity to Him. Thus, before the eyes of the Father, our lives, our hopes, our wounds are always present through Jesus's humanity.



## Award Winners

### CI R/1:

- Writer of the Week: **Isabella**
- Mathematician of the Week: **Reuben**
- Reader of the Week: **Fawn**
- Citizen of the Week: **Denis**
- Dojo Champion: **Violet**

### CI 2/3:

- Writer of the Week: **Stanley**
- Mathematician of the Week: **Effie**
- Reader of the Week: **Sebby**
- Citizen of the Week: **Freddie**
- Dojo Champion: **Annie-Rose**

### CI 4/5:

- Writer of the Week: **Olivia**
- Mathematician of the Week: **Charlotte**
- Reader of the Week: **Peggy**
- Citizen of the Week: **Lois**
- Dojo Champion: **Charlotte**

### CI 6:

- Writer of the Week: **Olive**
- Reader of the Week: **Lucy**
- Citizen of the Week: **Emily**
- Dojo Champion: **Max B**

## Mindfulness Matters

*No matter what people tell you, words and ideas can change the world.*

*Robin Williams as John Keating In Dead Poets Society*

**Classroom Catch Up:** What a fabulous week in Class R/1! I cannot believe it is our last week next week and the first part of the summer term is over! In English, we have been looking at the suffix 'ing' and we have been coming up with lots of verbs that end in ing! The children have really enjoyed our activities this week. In maths, Reception have been taking away and Year 1 have started a new topic of multiplication of 2s, 5s and 10s. In Forest School, we used the Wednesday Word which focussed on friendship; we spoke about the importance of friendship and what makes a good friend. We finished our topic in R.E. which was about sharing good news and ended it by creating a dance to the song "Best day of our lives".

We've had a fantastic week in Class 2/3! In history this week, the children have enjoyed learning about the life of Rosa Parks and what makes her a significant individual. In R.E., the children created a collage to sum up the meaning of Pentecost. On Friday, Class 2/3 enjoyed leading the school Mass based on The Ascension. To end the week, the children moved on to explore letters in English and are planning to write a letter in the role of somebody who travelled on the Empire Windrush.

I cannot believe we are heading into the final week of this half term – I really do not know where the weeks have gone! The children in Class 4/5 have been working incredibly hard this week writing their Viking sagas to share with the children in Class R/1 – it has been so lovely seeing their enthusiasm for writing. In science, the children have been experimenting with the increase and decrease of volume and the ability to change the pitch of a sound- hopefully they will be able to tell you all about it! Year 4 have blown me away with their maths ability this week as they have been starting to explore decimal numbers for the first time whilst Year 5 have continued to work hard with rounding. All in all, another fabulous week at St Joseph's.

In science this week, Year 6 have been investigating how light travels in straight lines, and how a shadow is always the same shape as the object that cast it. We are nearly at the end of our modelled write in English and we are looking forward to writing our own versions of "Goodnight Mister Tom" next week. In computing, Miss Sanders brought in a gadget which can be programmed into its own step counter—Year 6 had great fun counting their steps so they could listen their own celebratory message.



**Sunday Gospel:** Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and prayed: "Father, the hour has come: glorify your Son so that your Son may glorify you; and, let him give eternal life to all those you have entrusted to him. And eternal life is this: to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I have glorified you on earth and finished the work that you gave me to do. I have made your name known to those you gave me. They were yours and you gave them to me, and they have obeyed your word. I have given them the teaching you gave to me, and they have truly accepted it. They know that I came from you and believed that it was you who sent me. I pray for them; for those you have given me, because they belong to you."

John 17: 1-11



**Lost Property:** If you have visited the school office this week, you will have seen the rail of "new to you" uniform items. Please have a look and help yourself to any of the jumpers, cardigans and PE hoodies if you can make use of them. There is no charge for any of these items, but if you wanted to leave a donation, there is a CAFOD box on the shelf next to the rail.

In our Lost Property box which is also located in the foyer, we have quite a collection of non-uniform items, a lunch box and drink bottle; any items not claimed by next Friday (May 26th) will be put in the school recycling bank.



**This week's winners of our "Spotted" Award is:**  
**Isabella**

For demonstrating our school value of compassion when she saw one of her friends was sad



**Stanley Grange:** This week, pupils looked around all the allotments on site and learnt about the two different ways of planting strawberries using either seeds or runners. They enjoyed a tour of the grounds and visited the sensory garden, saw the fruit trees, the fairy garden and newly installed outdoor gym. The group also made plant-based manure from comfrey which they covered with water in a bucket; in a few weeks' it will be ready to go on our school allotment.



**Children's Liturgy:** On Sunday, 7th Sunday of Easter, we will hear about Jesus praying for his friends and for us. He wanted us to be one, to be united in love, as closely as Jesus and God the Father are united in love. Jesus was praying for his friends during his Last Supper with them, on the night before he died. Jesus prayed to his Father, that his friends "may be one just as you and I are one."



What do you think he meant?

Jesus wanted his disciples to love one another, to be united with each other, to be together – just as closely as Jesus and God the Father are together.

Jesus prayed for us too. He wants us to be united, together, loving one another.

This week help each other be kind and share especially with those who have less than we have. Be good and listen to our parents and teachers. Pray together as a family. In this month of May especially remember to pray to our mother Mary in Heaven.

Why not join Children's Liturgy Group on Sunday 9:30am Mass - we would love to see you.

**Football Festival:** Coach Andy from the South Ribble Sports Partnership was in school today to lead each class in a session to improve their football skills. From ball control using a traffic light system, simple passing techniques and changing direction to learning how to dribble round cones and then on to one-touch and two-touch scoring.





**Recent Correspondence:** Please find below a list of information that has been sent out this week in addition to the Weekly School Newsletter:

School meals w/c 05.06.23

Theatre Club

CI 4/5 Collective Worship

Stanley Grange 18.05.23

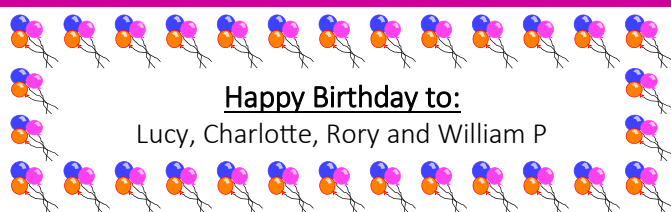
CI 2/3 Mass 19.05.23

Non-uniform Day 19.05.23

Wednesday Word

Lancashire Walk / Wheel to School Day: 19.05.23

Please ensure you read all correspondence that is sent from school.



**School Attendance:** Here are our weekly attendance figures.

Week commencing 15/05/23	
Yr R	91.8%
Yr 1	100%
Yr 2	100%
Yr 3	96.9%
Yr 4	100%
Yr 5	100%
Yr 6	96.8%
TOTAL	97.9%

**How different will you dare to be??:**

May 26th is our "Dare to be different" day when you can have an unhealthy snack at playtime—maybe you have chosen to have the sausage barm?? You can bring juice in your water bottle and we are looking forward to seeing your crazy hairstyles too! Don't forget, you need to pay your "fine" for each "rule" that you break!



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# NON School UNIFORM Days

**FRIDAY 19th May - BOTTLES**  
**FRIDAY 16th June - CHOCOLATES**  
**FRIDAY 23rd June - GIFTS**

ALL ITEMS HELP SUPPORT THE SUMMER FAIR

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## DO YOU DARE 2 BE DIFFERENT?

**50P EACH OR 5 FOR £2**

1. UNHEALTHY SNACK FOR BREAK
2. JUICE IN YOUR WATER BOTTLE
3. HAVE MESSY/CRAZY HAIR
4. COME TO SCHOOL IN NON-UNIFORM
5. NAIL VARNISH
6. TEMPORARY TATTOOS

**FRI 26TH MAY**

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### Dates for your diary: Summer Term

- \* Tuesday, 23rd May
- \* Friday, 29th May
- \* Monday, 5th June
- \* Tuesday, 6th June
- \* Friday, 9th June

Collective Worship for CI R/1  
School closes at 3.15pm for the Spring Bank Holiday  
School re-opens at 8.50am  
Deadline for payments for the Year 6 residential  
Yr 6 photograph being taken by Tempest  
Sports Day from 1pm—weather permitting







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# **FAMILY CAMP**

PARISH HALL FIELD  
PRIVATE ROAD  
£12 PER PITCH



**SATURDAY 1ST JULY FROM 6PM**  
**EMAIL: [BRINDLESTJOSEPHSPTFA@GMAIL.COM](mailto:BRINDLESTJOSEPHSPTFA@GMAIL.COM)**



# Looking After Your **WELLBEING ONLINE**

We all know that taking care of our minds and bodies is essential to keep us feeling happy and healthy. The thing is, we spend so much of our time online these days that it's also important that we remember to look after ourselves in the digital world, too. Our poster has got some simple but useful tips for supporting your wellbeing while you're gaming, on social media or just using the internet.

