

# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

## Newsletter 17

### 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019



## THIS WEEK'S UPDATES

### Healthy Eating Information Event

Mr Dawson has emailed out a letter today regarding Healthy Eating information and guidelines. We would appreciate it if you could take the time to read this and, if possible, attend the information event on **Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January at 3.30pm** in school.

### Issues Regarding Your Child

With regard to issues or questions you may have about your child, the first port of call is with the class teacher.

### Class Attendance

St Anthony - 93.8%	St Lawrence - 93.7%
St Aldhelm - 96.8%	St Francis - 98.1%
	St Scholastica - 96.0%

### Tuesday Y5/Y6 Football Club Cancelled

We apologise but this club is cancelled this week.

### Diary Dates (published on website on Tuesdays)

#### January 2019

**Friday 18 Jan 6.30-8.30pm** – Youth Group – school hall  
**Mon 21 Jan** - 3.30pm – Healthy eating information meeting  
**Tuesday 29 Jan** – Whole School Mass, St Lawrence to lead  
**Wed 30 Jan** – Deadline for payments for St Scholastica trip  
**Wed 30 Jan 12.30-3.30pm** – All years Gymnastics Festival (letter to follow)

#### February 2019

**Wed 13 February** - St Scholastica Class Trip, Arctic Quest  
**Wed 13 Feb 3.30pm** – Braeside meeting – parents/children  
**Fri 15 Feb 6.30-8.30pm** – Youth Group – school hall  
**Half Term 18–22 February - back to school Tues 26 Feb**

#### March 2019

**Tues 5th 1.30pm** Whole School Mass, Church: St Aldhelm leading  
**Fri 15 Mar 6.30-8.30pm** – Youth Group – school hall  
**Tues 22 March** – End of term reports  
**26 & 27 March** – Parents evenings  
**29 March 3pm** – End of term exhibitions all classes

#### April 2019

**TBC - 4 April 10am** – Stations of the Cross service in school  
**5 April - 1pm** – School finishes early  
**Easter Holiday Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April – Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April – children back to school on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April**

#### TD/Inset Days (children not required in school)

**Monday 25 February 2019      Monday 24 June 2019**

## In Class this Week

### St Anthony –

English – Alien character profiles  
 Maths - Finding and making number bonds  
 RE – Revelation – The Good Samaritan

### St Aldhelm –

English – Recount of our class trip to the Bounce House  
 Maths – Money  
 RE – Revelations

### St Lawrence –

English – Finishing postcards. Emails  
 Maths – Subtraction  
 RE – Finishing Christmas

### St Francis –

English – Adventure narratives  
 Maths – Division  
 RE – Revelations

### St Scholastica –

English – Formal Reports – The Titanic  
 Maths – Calculating with decimal numbers  
 RE - Revelations

## Youth Group

The next Youth Group session is this Friday 18th January, 6.30-8.30pm in the school hall. All Y5 and Y6 welcome.

The Youth group would like to thank all those who contributed towards the Christmas Sale held after Mass just before Christmas. An amazing £188 was raised, which will provide many hot meals for children in deprived areas of the world through the organisation 'Mary's Meals'

## School Uniform

Please ensure that your child attends school in full winter uniform and wears a warm coat. Hair which touches the shoulders should be tied back. Our up-to-date uniform policy will be issued by email this week for your information.

## Dangerous Parking!

Please be advised not to pull up or park outside school or along the road around the Gig House at the top of Holloway Hill near school when you drop off in the mornings or pick up in the afternoons. Cross Hayes car park is free to park before 9am so this should be used in the mornings please. A member of the public has today called us over serious concerns about some near misses, with children almost being knocked over and the risk of head-on collisions because of cars being in the way.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### Piano Lessons

Elena Stevens has a few spaces available for piano lessons for children in school from January. If you are interested, please contact her on 07764 582683 or email on [elenastevens.home@gmail.com](mailto:elenastevens.home@gmail.com)

### Swimming - St Francis

Swimming this term is for St Francis Class. Payment of £48 for the 12 lessons was due on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January. Swim kits should be brought in every Tuesday please.

### 2019 Y6 Kilvrough Manor Residential

The Residential will take place for the new Y6 children 2<sup>nd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup> September. Now that confirmation has been received from parents, the deposit of £100 should have been paid to secure places. Thank you.

### 2019 Y3 Braeside Residential Trip

The dates for Braeside are Monday 1<sup>st</sup> until Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2019. The cost will be £153 per child. Letters have been sent out and a deposit of £53 should be received into the school office by 1<sup>st</sup> March, with the balance by 7<sup>th</sup> May. Thank you. There will be a meeting for parents and children at 3.30pm on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February.

### After-School Collection

As you will see from our busy programme of after-school clubs, most of them are run on the playground starting at 3.30pm. We would therefore be extremely grateful if, once you have collected your children, you would kindly leave the playground in order to allow prompt start of these clubs. Your understanding is appreciated.

### Jazz Dance

Modern Jazz Dance classes are available for children from Y2 to Y6 from Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> January. These will run every Tuesday lunchtime for 10 weeks. Cost is £22.50. For more details please contact Nikki Purkess: [purkessc@aol.com](mailto:purkessc@aol.com) or telephone 01666 825802 / 07894 710411.

### Toys

Now that our younger children have settled into school, please could all parents ensure that their children in KS1 and KS2 do not bring toys into school, unless specifically asked to do so.

### St Scholastica Class Trip

Trip to Arctic Quest, Tewkesbury will be on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019. This is in line with their topic 'Frozen Kingdom'. Deadline for payment is Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> January.

## Sports/Health & Fitness Clubs

All these clubs start back Tues 8 January: 3.30-4.30pm. Please collect your child promptly at 4.30pm.

MONDAY	DANCE	HALL - MISS EMMA	Reception to Year 6
TUESDAY	GYMNASTICS	HALL - MISS EMMA	Y5 & Y6
TUESDAY	FOOTBALL	PLAYGROUND - MR DAWSON	Y5 & Y6
WEDNESDAY	GYMNASTICS	HALL - MISS EMMA	Y3 & Y4
WEDNESDAY	NETBALL	PLAYGROUND - PH SPORTS	Y5 & Y6
THURSDAY	DODGEBALL	HALL - ASC	Y3, Y4, Y5 & Y6
THURSDAY	FOOTBALL	PLAYGROUND - ASC	Y2, Y3 & Y4
FRIDAY	MULTI-SPORTS	HALL - PH SPORTS	Reception, Y1 & Y2
FRIDAY	HOCKEY	PLAYGROUND - PH SPORTS	Y4, Y5 & Y6

## Other Clubs

MONDAY	CHINESE Mr Han	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm
TUESDAY	MODERN JAZZ DANCE Nikki Purkess 01666 825802	Hall (There is a charge)	Lunchtimes
WEDNESDAY	CHOIR Y3 - Y6 Mrs CambraySmith	Hall	12- 12.30pm
THURSDAY	Y1-Y6 MINECRAFT Isaac Owen	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm
FRIDAY	Y1-Y6 Isaac Owen ART & CRAFT	Classroom	3.30-4.30pm

## Forest School Sessions 2019

**FOREST SCHOOL:** Suitable outdoor clothes & footwear please.  
**St Lawrence** - Friday 11, 18, 25 January, 1, 8 February.  
**St Aldhelm** - Friday 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 March.  
**St Anthony** - Friday 26 April, 3, 10, 17, 24 May.

## Sickness

Just a reminder that we require a responsible adult to be available in the event that your child needs to be sent home. Please ensure that the office has these details on your emergency contact card. May we also remind you that children are not permitted to return to school until they have been free of sickness/diarrhoea for 48 hours. This may seem extreme but we need to ensure that other children do not become ill from contagious germs. It is also to safeguard the health of our staff whom we employ to look after your children.

## Applications for Reception 2019

A REMINDER to all parents of children at St Joseph's who have younger siblings wishing to start in reception in September 2019. Please apply on the Wiltshire Council website and also complete our own school application ASAP. The deadline is Tuesday 15 January 2019.