St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Newsletter – 21st April 2017

Here at St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, we learn and grow through the love of Jesus.

Our community is a safe, caring and happy place where everyone is supported and valued.

We encourage and challenge everyone to achieve their full potential, spiritually, academically, morally and socially.

We inspire others with a love of learning and aim for excellence in everything we do. Through our own faith, we treat one another the way we would like to be treated.

We help every child to be gentle and fair: to always do their best.

Message from the Head Teacher



Dear Parents and Carers

Welcome back to the summer term, I hope everyone had a lovely Easter and feel rested now.

This is a bittersweet time for me as I know that along with our Year 6 children, this will be my last term at St Joseph's. As I will be preparing over the course of this term to hand over to my successor, Year 6 will be preparing to take their end of Primary school SATs. It is a very important time for them as the results of these tests will form the culmination of all of their learning throughout their primary years. We pride ourselves at St Joseph's with providing our children with a rounded and interesting educational experience which will inspire them to become lifelong learners. We also hope to inspire our children to be interested in what is happening around them and to always ask questions, be resilient and to try their very best in all they do. I know that with your support, our children will achieve their full potential and will be successful learners.

In assemblies we are looking at British Values through the surprise announcement that there will be a General Election on the 8th June. It is important for our children to know how fortunate we are to live in a democracy and so this week we have looked at news clips about this week's announcement. You might find your children asking you questions about voting and politics, this will support their understanding of the way in which our country is run.

Your child learns best when they are at school every day, please make sure your child is in school every day unless they are ill and need to be at home. Read with your children every day, ask them about their learning in school and share the pleasure of growing independent, successful learners.

If you think you are entitled to Free School Meals, please speak to Mrs Hannon. Information regarding Free School Meals is confidential and even if your child is in Reception or Key Stage 1, you could benefit from applying.

There is a lot of things happening this term, let's share in making our children's learning exciting and fulfilling. Please keep in your prayers our Year 3 children who will soon be making their First Holy Communion.

Have a wonderful weekend. God Bless.

Sharon Grange

<u>Attendance</u>

% Pupil attendance for week ending 31/03/2017

Reception	96%
Year 1	94.6%
Year 2	96.1%
Year 3	98.6%
Year 4	98.7%
Year 5	96.9%
Year 6	95.9%

Well done to Year 4 for the best attendance.

Birthdays

George Lara Suzanne

<u>Punctuality</u> Number of children arriving

late at school week ending 31/03/2017

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Reception	0
Year 1	3
Year 2	6
Year 3	1
Year 4	0
Year 5	3
Year 6	3

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Pupil of the Week Congratulations to the following children for achieving Pupil of the Week:

- Lara
- Ruby
- Edward
- Anthiya
- **❖** Zulu
- Jessica
- Lucas