

# ST. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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*Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. Hebrews 13:2*

# tootoot

make a noise

We have officially launched Make A Noise 'tootoot'. It is an award winning online safeguarding platform that we are trialling at St. Joseph's School. Its purpose is to give pupils an anonymous voice, enabling them to inform the school of incidents such as bullying, feeling lonely or feeling sad. The 'tootoot' platform can also be used to tell us about good things including acts of kindness, caring or how somebody has shown respect to another person.

All our pupils have log in details and are able to access the platform both in school and out of school - anywhere they have access to the internet. It is currently only available to staff and pupils but we are encouraging the children to show their parents around the website so they are familiar and informed about this new tool. We will let parents know when they can register for log in details once the school has fully integrated into the system.

## DIGITAL LEADERS



We have recruited Digital Leaders! Pupils were asked to formally apply for the role via a written application form. The aim of these leaders is to raise the profile of IT across the school, by promoting digital literacy, safer internet practice and computing skills.

They will also support the teachers and the senior leadership team by writing blogs for the website, contributing to the weekly school newsletter and by leading assemblies! We are excited about this new programme and look forward to seeing how our digital leaders have a positive impact on the school.

***Our new Breakfast Club will be opening in January 2018, please speak to Mrs Hannon in the office for more information.***

# Afternoon Tea @ St. Joseph's



*Excellent performance of the poem 'Louder*

*For always working hard*

*Outstanding progress with grammar work*

*Excellent improvement with handwriting*

## Key Dates for December 2017

### December

Saturday, 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Christmas Fair at St Joseph' Church (12 – 4pm)
Wednesday, 6 <sup>th</sup>	Panto at the Churchill Theatre (1:30pm)
Sunday, 10 <sup>th</sup>	Year 5 leading Mass (9:15 am)
Monday, 11 <sup>th</sup>	Choir singing in The Glades Shopping Centre (11am)
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Class Christmas parties (wear your Christmas jumper)
Wednesday, 13 <sup>th</sup>	School Christmas Lunch (Hairy Christmas)
Friday, 15 <sup>th</sup>	Own Clothes Day—PTFA Wrapping event (am) PTFA Children's Christmas parties (after school)
Monday, 18 <sup>th</sup>	Nativity dress rehearsal (1:30 pm)
Tuesday, 19 <sup>th</sup>	Nativity (1:30 pm)
Wednesday, 20 <sup>th</sup>	Carol Service led by Year 6 at St Joseph's Church (1:30pm)

Class	Attendance %	Punctuality %
Reception	98%	98.4%
Year 1	96.6%	99.6%
Year 2	100%	100%
Year 3	96.5%	99.3%
Year 4	97.9%	100%
Year 5	99.3%	97.6%
Year 6	98.8%	99.6%

### COMMUNITY COHESION

We have received several complaints from members from our local community about parents parking dangerously on neighbouring streets (particularly on Freelands Road). Cars are being parked inappropriately and, on one occasion, whilst a car was reversing it very narrowly missed a mother and child in a pushchair. When *our parent was challenged she was spoken to rudely*. We teach the children to treat other people the way we would like to be treated and this woman certainly did not receive that from one of our parents which is a poor reflection on us as a faith community. Please refrain from parking in spots where it is unsafe as any further incidents could potentially be reported to the police. We also kindly ask to give more space to parents accessing the school site with a pushchair. When using the side gate please allow pushchair users through so that everyone can access the site safely. Many thanks in advance.

**ATTENDANCE FIGURES, wc 20/11/17** Wow—well done Year 2 they are *this week's attendance winners with 100% attendance and punctuality. They will receive the Spike Trophy and each member of the class will be awarded 2 house points. Congratulations to Year 4 for also achieving 100% punctuality! You will also receive a house point each. Well done!*