



St Joseph's Newsletter

A school built on... Faith, Hope & Love

4th September 2023

Thought of the Week

We are all special.

Our School Rules

Be Ready, Safe and Respectful.

Welcome Back!

What a brilliant start we have had to the new school year! It has been lovely to see all the children today! We would especially like to welcome all our new Nursery and Reception children and their families to our school community. The children have settled back into school so quickly. Their positive and mature attitude to learning has overwhelmed us!

Sunday 10th September: Education Sunday

Fr Paul invites all pupils to attend Mass in any of our three churches on 9th/10th September wearing their school uniform. The liturgies will reflect that we are praying especially for our schools, and so it would be great to see our young people there in good numbers with us that weekend.



Meet The Teacher Meeting - 6th September

There's an opportunity for you to pop into school and have a look around your child's new classroom and meet their new teacher on Wednesday 6th September from 3.30pm - 4.30pm.

This is not a formal meeting or a parents' evening it's just a quick hello!

School PE Days - 2023 - 2024

From September your child will be able to come to school in their PE kit on their PE slot day. This decision has been made for a number of reasons, to ensure PE lesson time isn't lost getting changed for PE, to help with uniform items not getting lost, to keep the cloakrooms less cluttered and to ensure that all children are able to join in all the PE sessions. Class teachers will send home information regarding which day your child is to come in their PE kit.

Open Days - Admissions Sept 2024

We are holding two open day events, to give parents/carers the opportunity to have a look around our wonderful school before applying for a Nursery or Reception place in September 2024.

*26th September 2pm - 3pm
&
16th October 4pm - 5.30pm*

Uniform Updates - 2023 - 2024

After careful consideration, we have decided that we are going to trial giving the children the choice to wear smart black trainers or black school shoes to school in September. This is a decision that has been made to help support families with the rising costs of school shoes, to support the sensory needs of some children and also for practicality reasons for the children playing football etc at playtime. Please respect this decision and support us in ensuring that it is a smart black trainer in keeping with our uniform policy as we want to ensure that the children still look smart in their uniforms.



Summer Challenge!

Please help us to create a "Kindness Rocks Garden"! Please help your child to paint a rock then bring it to Mrs Moncado the first week back. Thank You!



Attendance and Punctuality

The impact upon children's education through lost learning is huge. At a time when so much education has been disrupted over the last few years it is vital that we make every school minute count. Please help to support us with excellent attendance and punctuality.

Robinwood Info Meeting - Year 6 Parents

There will be a short online information meeting for Year 6 parents on Tuesday 5th September at 6pm re: key information for the Robinwood residential trip. This will be held online and the zoom link will be sent to parents on Monday 4th September.

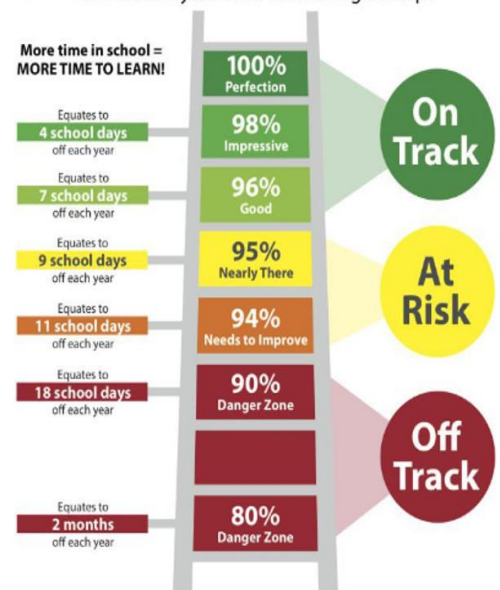
Birthdays This Week

Harper (Y1), Kai (Y2), Felix, Martha (Y3), Eli, Elizabeth, Jacob (Y6)



Attendance Ladder

How close is your child to reaching the top?



For every day your child is absent from school, **over 6 hours** of instructional time is lost.

