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Newsletter no. 5

10th November 2023

Upcoming events

Monday 13th November

Remembrance Assembly in school
9.15am (pupils only)

CAFOD Club in lunchtime
Girls football in lunchtime
Year 5 swimming pm
Lego Club 3.15-4.15pm
Relaxation club 3.14-4.15pm

Tuesday 14th November

School Council in lunchtime
Little Movers 3.15-4.15pm

Wednesday 15th November

Reception Mass in church 10.00am
(parents welcome)

Guitar club in lunchtime

Maths Family Learning 1.00pm in
Church Hall

Art Club 3.15-4.15pm CANCELLED

Thursday 16th November

Football Club in lunchtime
Craft/Mindfulness Club
3.15-4.15pm

KS2 Drama Club 3.15-4.15pm

Friday 17th November

Odd Socks Day

North East Dance in school all day

Monday 20th November

CAFOD Club in lunchtime
Girls football in lunchtime
Year 5 swimming pm
Lego Club 3.15-4.15pm
Relaxation club 3.14-4.15pm

Tuesday 21st November

Nursery Stay and Play

9.00-10.00am & 2.00-3.00pm

KS2 Parallel sports (selected pupils)

at Temple Park 9.30am-12.00pm

School Council in lunchtime
Little Movers 3.15-4.15pm

Wednesday 22nd November

Y6 Mass in church 10.00am

(parents welcome)

Guitar club in lunchtime

Maths Family Learning 1.00pm in
Church Hall

Art Club 3.15-4.15pm

Dear Parents and Carers

I hope you are all well and looking forward to the busiest time of the year! It certainly is in a primary school, and we are already hearing the beautiful Nativity songs being sung in our Key Stage 1 classes.

Anti Bullying Week

Next week is National Anti Bullying Week. We have a wide range of activities taking place in classes, while Mrs Arthur has a specially prepared assembly for the pupils on Tuesday morning.

Odd Socks Day (Friday 17th)

As part of Anti Bullying Week, we are inviting pupils, staff and parents to come to school in **ODD SOCKS** on Friday, 17th November.

North East Dance

All pupils from Reception will be taking part in dance lessons this Friday, led by North East Dance. Pupils must have a PE kit available for the session. If they do not have one, unfortunately we have been informed they will be unable to take part.

Multi Faith Day

On Thursday, 23rd November, we are holding a Multi faith day, where pupils will be learning about a variety of faiths and cultures. Please see a message below from our RE Ambassadors.

Diwali

Some of our families will be celebrating the festival of Diwali this Sunday. We hope that you have a wonderful time with your families. Thank you to Mrs Vedhara, who led assemblies for our pupils this week, telling them about the festival, as well as bringing in delicious samosa and pakora for the staff!

Disabled parking

We have had a number of complaints from parents who are entitled to use our disabled bay in the staff car park. It appears that parents are using the car park entrance to walk through, rather than the pedestrian entrance. This is dangerous as cars need to reverse once the children have been dropped off. I politely ask that anyone using the entrance to school near church uses the pedestrian pathway only and not the road.

Football

Well done to our school team and girls' football team who both had matches this week. As usual, they represented our team with great effort, as well as showing respect to others.

Year 4 Mass

Our Y4 pupils will lead Mass in church on Friday, 24th November. All are welcome.

Friends of St Joseph's

The Friends of St. Joseph's are holding a Christmas fayre on Friday 1st December at 1pm – 3pm in the school hall. We would be appreciative of donations of toys, bric-a-brac, hot dogs, teddies, books and bottles for a bottle tombola (bubble bath, wine, ketchup, etc. preferably new and sealed)

We would also be grateful for any volunteers for setting up and on the stalls during the event.



Thursday 23rd November

Multi Faith Day

Football Club in lunchtime

Craft/Mindfulness Club

3.15-4.15pm

KS2 Drama Club 3.15-4.15pm

Joy in my Heart event at Rainton

Arena 7.00pm

Friday 24th November

Year 4 Mass in church 9.30am

(parents welcome)

Remembrance Service

Members of our school council will be joining Mr Craig this Sunday at the Remembrance parade and service at Jarrow Town Hall. We will also hold a special assembly in school on Monday. In every act of remembrance, we honour the memory of the fallen and pledge to care for the living. We will remember them.



REMEMBRANCE DAY
Let Us Forget

Take care,
Mr P Craig
Headteacher

Dear Parent /Guardian,

We would like to inform you that on the 23rd November 2023, we are having an R.E day to celebrate all faiths.

On the day we will focus on 4 different faiths: Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism and Judaism.

We will start with a Celebration of the Word and throughout the day we will complete a range of Religious activities. Each year group will be paired with another year group to take a detailed look into one of the chosen faiths.

Nursery will work with Y5 studying Islam.

Reception will work with Y6 studying Judaism.

Y1 will work with Y3 studying Buddhism.

Y2 will work with Y4 studying Hinduism.

If you have any photos or items that you think we could share on any of these faiths, please can you send them to the school office.

Thank you for taking the time out of your day to read this letter.

With kind regards,

Izzy Dowdall, James Pease and Max Morrison

St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School's R.E ambassadors

Monday 13th November	Anti Bullying Week
	Remembrance assembly in school 9.00am <i>(pupils only)</i>
Wednesday 15th November	Reception Mass in Church 10.00am (parents invited)
Friday 17th November	North East Dance in school all day
Tuesday 21st November	Nursery Stay & Play sessions am and pm (parents invited)
	KS2 Parallel Disability Sportshall Athletics during school time (pupils only)
Wednesday 22nd November	Y6 Mass in Church 10.00am (parents invited)
Thursday 23rd November	'Multi Faith Day'
	Joyful Faith Event at Rainton Arena
Monday 27th November	First Holy Communion Parents' Meeting 7.00pm in church
Tuesday 28th November	Y5 visit Newcastle Christmas markets am
Wednesday 29th November	Y5 Mass in Church 10.00am (parents invited)
	First Holy Communion Childrens' Meeting 3.30pm
Thursday 30th November	YR 5/6 Sportshall Athletics at Temple Park during school time (pupils only)
	Choir singing at Hedworthfield CC 4.00pm (parents invited)
Friday 1st December	Advent Mass in Church 9.15am (parents invited)
	Friends of Christmas Fayre 1.00-3.00pm (parents invited) 🌲★🌲
Sunday 3rd December	First Holy Communion Special Mass Liturgy in church 11.00am
Tuesday 5th December	Reception Co-ordination Challenge at The Urban Factory during school time (pupils only)
	First Holy Communion Sacrament of reconciliation in St Joseph's Church 6.00pm (parents invited)
Wednesday 6th December	Y3 Mass in Church 10.00am (parents invited)
	'Big Sing' with choir in St Matthew's Church 6.00pm (parents invited)
Thursday 7th December	Y5 visit to Jarrow Hall all day (pupils only)
	Y1 Christmas multi skills festival am (pupils only)
Friday 8th December	Friends Christmas Movie Night 3.30 - 5.15pm (pupils only)

Tuesday 12th December	KS1 Nativity 9.15am and 5.00pm (parents invited)
Wednesday 13th December	Y1 & Y2 Christmas party (pupils only)
Thursday 14th December	Y3 & Y4 Christmas party (pupils only)
Friday 15th December	Nursery Nativity in Church 10.30am (parents invited)
	Y5 & Y6 Christmas party (pupils only)
Monday 18th December	Visiting author, Lisette Auton, in all day
	Nursery Christmas party (pupils only)
Tuesday 19th December	Christmas lunch (pupils only)
	Reception Singalong 2.15pm (parents invited)
Wednesday 20th December	Reception Christmas party (pupils only)
	Carols by Candlelight 5.00pm (parents invited) 🕯️ 🕯️ 🕯️
Thursday 21st December	Christmas pyjama day
Friday 22nd December	KS2 Gold Book Assembly 9.00am (parents invited)
	End of term (early finish at 1.00pm)

Pupils return to school on Tuesday 9th January 2024