



St. Joseph's Catholic Primary School, Jarrow

### Newsletter no. 1

Welcome to the first newsletter of the academic year! I would like to begin by expressing my heartfelt thanks for the incredibly warm welcome I've received during my first week as Headteacher at St Joseph's. Your kind words and good wishes have meant a great deal and have helped make the start of this new chapter truly special. It was lovely to see so many happy faces coming into school this week (both children and parents!). The first week back is always quite special and it has been a joy to have seen the children each morning, settle back into school life with such enthusiasm and positivity. Their excellent behaviour, eagerness to learn, and hard work have made a fantastic impression, and I am proud of the way they have embraced the new school year. As we look to the year ahead, I am looking forward to working closely with the wonderful community of St Joseph's and getting to know each of you better in the weeks and months to come. Thank you once again for your support.

**O5th September 2025** 





Mr Kennedy

## **Breakfast Club**

A reminder that breakfast club is once again up and running, from 7.45am. Places should be booked in advance using Parent Pay.



We also have reading club, running each morning, starting on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September. This is open to all the family to enjoy the magic of reading, before school in our cosy library. No need to book, just come to the main office from 8.20am.





## **PE information**

PE Days are as follows:

Monday - Reception & Year 3

Monday - Year 6 Swimming

Tuesday - Year 1

Wednesday - Year 4

Thursday - Year 2 , Year 5, Year 6

Pupils should come into school dressed in PE kit on their allocated day.











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#### **EYFS Parent Lunches**

Thank you to all parents, carers, grandparents and family members who were able to join our Nursery and Reception children this week for a special lunch together.

I am sure you will all agree that the lunches provided by Mrs Morton and her team were delicious.

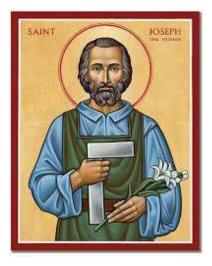
If you would like your child to have a school lunch, please contact the school office.











# St Joseph Class Liturgy

This week pupils spent time reflecting on the life and mission of St Joseph, taking part in a class liturgy. We pray that St Joseph with guide and protect us on our journey through this academic year.

Dear St. Joseph,
Kind and strong,
Help us learn what's right and wrong.
Guide our hands, our hearts, our way,
Be with us each school day.
Keep us safe and help us grow,
In love, in kindness, all we know.
Amen.



## Some Sad news...

Miss Hunt wanted to share some sad news about her lovely Dog, Darcy. Unfortunately, during the summer holidays, Darcy took poorly after a short illness and sadly passed away crossing the rainbow bridge. She absolutely loved coming into St Joseph's over the last three years. She loved every child here at St Joseph's, enjoying daily treats, cuddles and walks with her friends. As some of the children have been asking about Darcy we thought it was right to let you all know.





#### Welcome Mass...

We will celebrate a whole school mass at St Joseph's Church on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> September at 10am. This will be a lovely way to mark the beginning of the school year and welcome you all to join us.







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# SFEGUARDING, SEND AND HEALTH AND SAFETY

### Our Designated Safeguarding Leads are:

Mr Kennedy, Mrs Bertram and Mrs A Gibson (Governor)

#### **Our SEND Leads are:**



Mrs Bertram and Miss E Shaughnessy (Governor)

## Our Health & Safety Leads are:

Mr Kennedy and Mr D Laws (Governor)



## **ATTENDANCE**

Whole school attendance this week is 96.4 %

Best class attendance is Year 1

# Website update...

Over the next few weeks, our school website will be undergoing some updates and maintenance. We will ensure that all key information is accurate and up to date, including statutory information, useful contact details and any curriculum updates





# Parent/Carer Survey...

We will be conducting a parent view survey in coming weeks. Please do take the time to share your views. By sharing your thoughts, you can help shape the future of our school. The parent survey is a chance to celebrate what's working and improve where needed.









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Other Key dates this term...

We will continue to update you with Key dates for the term each week. Next week we will send a full list of dates for your diaries.

### After School clubs...

We have been organising our after school club offer, we will continue to share any updates or additional clubs as they become available. The following clubs are now available to book and will begin next week.

Please note, places are limited.

Day	Club	Time	Year Groups	How to book
Monday	Lego Club	3.15pm - 4.15pm	R, Y1, Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 , Y6	Arbor
Tuesday	Little Movers	3.15pm - 4.15pm	R, Y1, Y2	Parent Pay (£)
Wednesday	Guitar	Lunchtime	Y4, Y5, Y6	Parent Pay (£)
Wednesday	Midfulness Club	3.15pm - 4.15pm	Y1, Y2, Y3	Arbor
Thursday	Boys' Football	3.15pm - 4.15pm	Y5, Y6	Arbor

### **Roving Bookshop**

The roving bookshop will return to school on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September. A great chance to purchase some high quality texts at a great price. More information to follow.



Please Remember...
We are a NUT FREE School







