



St Joseph's

Catholic Primary School

To follow in Jesus' footsteps, caring for each other when we work, play and pray.

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Newsletter No.8

Dear Parents,

Congratulations to This week's award winners. The awards are as follows:

The Tidiness Award	FYR	Lining Up award	Y1G
Lunchtime Behaviour Award	Y4B	The Attendance Award	Y2G

Christmas Fayre - Saturday 9th December 12-2pm

The PTA would like to say many thanks for your non uniform day donations so far, a great response.

In an effort to generate quality items for the stalls the PTA have arranged Non uniform days in exchange for donations.

The last non uniform day, and final push is:

Fri 8th /Sat 9th Dec - Homemade cakes - Theme- Christmas Hats

OR A SMALL DONATION OF £1.

Please note that we do not wish to place undue expense or stress on any family, therefore, only give as much or as little as you feel able- any donation will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you to the PTA who do a fabulous, yet thankless task, of organising many events, large and small, to help make the children's time at St Joseph's that little bit extra special.

Over the past few years since I've been at the school their hard work has provided the children with:

Many discos, summer fetes, quiz nights, Christmas Fayres, Easter Egg Hunts, refreshments, Themed days...

Even though many of the PTA members (past and present) have working commitments, they make the extra effort to put in the hard work and many hours behind the scenes as well as on the day of the various events, their efforts have helped to provide the children with:

Selection boxes,	-all children
Ice creams,	many times
35 wifi Tablets,	@£6,000
playground canopies,	@£7,000
paid for numerous coaches for school trips,	-all year groups
bought all the PCs for the ICT suite,	@10,000
Purchased the Adventure Trim Trail Play Area,	@£8,500
Marked out the playground	@£2,400
PE equipment including football posts and nets	@£2,000
New PA system and microphones	@£1,200

Plus many more items



We are currently hoping to raise money through the Christmas Fayre and Discos as well as the Nativity productions to purchase some more 'Outside Play Equipment'. The children would like me to explore buying a climbing wall!! - we will also be consulting with the School Council for further ideas.

Please support the PTA, all parents of the school are automatically members of the PTA
Please consider coming along to the idea gathering meetings next one (17th January 6.30pm)
Please offer your services to help run events.



Please continue to support with your donations- *lots of pennies turn into pounds!!*

Safeguarding

Today we have emailed you the 1st of a new monthly 'Safeguarding Newsletter' offering useful information, dispelling myths, giving you tips and talking points that you can explore with your children. We will be talking to the children about the content within each newsletter on a regular basis in school and would appreciate your support at home. This way the children are not receiving conflicting information. The 1st edition (1 of 2), as you will see, is on the topic of 'Bullying' - we hope you find it useful.



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Nativity dates and Carol performances

We have arranged the dates for these Christmas performances:

Wednesday 13th December at 9.15am FYR and FYP will perform a number of **Carols and Hymns with a Nativity tableau.**
FY – each family can purchase up to 3 tickets @ £1.00 each

Tuesday 19th Dec / Wed 20th Dec 9.15am Y1G, Y1T and Y2M, Y2G will perform their **Nativity**
Y1 and Y2 – each family can purchase up to 2 tickets per performance @ £1.00 each

Friday 22nd December at 2pm. KS2 will perform their **Carol Concert.**
KS2 – each family can purchase up to 2 tickets @ £1.00 each- (any unsold tickets nearer the date may become available for sale (information will be sent nearer the time)

Tickets will go on sale from the School Office from Monday 4th December.
Unfortunately, we have to limit the numbers allowed into each performance due to our Fire Risk Assessment.

Year 5 – thank you for leading us through a lovely assembly this morning – well done for all your hard work

New Parent Governors (Academy Representatives)

I am pleased to announce the outcome of the recent Parent Governor nominations:

Mr Dagen Thompson (dad of Indi Y4 and Oscar Y1) and Mrs Rena Miras-Pye (mum of Nathaniel Y1 and Scarlett Y1) who were both nominated: as we had 2 vacancies both have been duly elected –All Diocesan and DBS checks have been successfully completed. Thank you in anticipation of your time on behalf of the children.

Additional Funding

Please complete the form send last week with regards to receiving FSM (Free School Meals) for your child and or PP (Pupil Premium). If you are in any doubt please contact the Ms Coeulle in the school Office.

ALL INFORMATION IS DEALT WITH CONFIDENTIALLY.

Every successful application generates additional money to support your child and the school.

Jameson Whiskey

We will be holding our 'infamous' Gaelic Coffee stall at the Christmas Fayre- however, **we still need a bottle of Jameson Whiskey donating.** If you can assist, please contact Emma in the Office. Thank you

Wreath

Thank you to Konrad and Helen Wyszynski for donating the wreath in memory of their Mother Wanda (recently passed away RIP) who was Deputy Head at St Joseph's for over 20 years. We will remember her in our prayers.

Swimming Trials

On Tuesday 12th December we will be having Swimming Trials at Wyndley Baths for children to make up the Swimming Squad for the Galas later in the academic year. A letter will be coming out to Y3-Y6 at the end of next week.

Yours sincerely,

G.M.O'Hara

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Principal



This Sunday is the 1st Sunday of Advent
Come, let us worship the Lord, the King who is to come.



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Dates for diary – Dec 2017		
Wed 6 th Dec	10.00am	Y3K walk to Holy Trinity Church for Mass
Fri 8 th Dec	9.00am	Congratulations Assembly – All welcomed
Sat 9th Dec	12-2pm	Christmas Fayre
Mon 11 th Dec	2.30pm	Peripatetic Music teachers performance to parents; cello, woodwind, strings
Tues 12 th Dec	1pm-3pm	Swimming Trials
Wed 13 th Dec	9.15am	FYR and FYP will perform a number of Carols and Hymns with a Nativity tableau.
Wed 13 th Dec	10.00am	Y4B walk to Holy Trinity Church for Mass
Thurs 14 th Dec	10-12.30pm	Whole school at Sutton Town Hall – Pantomime ‘ Jack and the Beanstalk’
Fri 15 th Dec	9.00am	Congratulations Assembly – All welcomed
Tues 19 th	9.15am	Y1G, Y1T and Y2M, Y2G will perform their Nativity performance 1
Wed 20 th	9.15am	Y1G, Y1T and Y2M, Y2G will perform their Nativity performance 2
Wed 20 th	12pm	Children’s Christmas Dinner
Wed 20 th	6-7pm / 7.15-8.15pm	PTA Christmas Discos
Fri 22 nd	9.00am	Advent Mass for the End of Term – all welcomed
Fri 22 nd	2pm	KS2 Carol Concert.
Christmas		
Monday 8 th Jan	8.45am	Start of the new term

Lunchtime Supervisor Vacancy

St Joseph’s Catholic School have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Supervisor The hours worked are 11.55am until 1.05pm Monday – Friday. Your salary will be commencing at Grade 2 point 11 pro rata.

We are looking for an enthusiastic person, to join a team responsible for supervising pupils and organising play for children during the lunchtime break. For further information please contact the school office 354 6270. The closing date for applications is Friday 15 December thank you.

Lunchtime Play Co-Ordinator Vacancy

Holy Cross Catholic School have a vacancy for a Lunchtime Play Co-Ordinator 6.40 hours per week, Monday – Friday 12.00pm to 1.20pm. We are looking for someone who will take an active part in supporting/improving lunchtime for our children. For further information please contact the school office 675-2158. Deadline for application is Friday 15 December thank you.



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