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**Newsletter No.21**

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Dear Parents,

**School Reports**

Your child will receive their end of year report today. If you fully understand and have no queries concerning it, then there is no need to make an appointment to discuss it. If you do wish to discuss your child's report with the class teacher, then the time set aside for this is on Tuesday 16th July between 3:30pm and 4:15pm. Appointments can be made via the school office or you can just drop in between those times.

**Sports Day**

Well done to all of the children (and adults) who took part in sports day on Tuesday. The children thoroughly enjoyed themselves and the events were a real success. Thank you to Miss Gavin and all of the staff who helped organise and set up the events. Thank you to all of the spectators who came to watch.

**FYP Assembly**

Well done FYP for your fantastic assembly last week all about your time in FY and how much you have learnt and the fun you have had. We are so proud of how brilliantly you completed your very first class assembly and you are definitely ready for Y1!

**Competitions**

Well done to all of the children who took part in the MAC maths competition. You did a fantastic job and thank you to Mrs Chambers and Mrs Bowkett for organising this. Another well done to the children who took part in the golf competition and received medals. Thank you to Mr Lynch and Miss Gavin for organising this event.

**Year Six Production**

Year Six have been working hard putting together a presentation of 'Madagascar.' This will take place on Wednesday 17th July starting at 6:30pm. The Y6 children will need to be at school from 5:50pm for their final arrangements. We will not be issuing tickets as the performance will be free; however, there will be a donation bowl towards props and resources.

All families want to have photos and keepsake memories; however, please note that recordings and taking photographs are strictly for your own personal usage. No images are to appear on social media sites as permissions have not been granted. Any unlawful publication of images will be tackled and may result in a ban on images being taken at future events - please ensure families in the future can have their memories to cherish.

The Bromwich Drive entrance will be open in the evening.

**Y6 parents are asked to log onto parent mail to give consent for photographs to be taken.**

**MAC Fest**

Y5 and Y6 had a wonderful time at Bishop Walsh yesterday to celebrate our first every MAC Fest! Thank you to all of the staff and volunteers who organised such a memorable event.

**Sun Cream / Protection**

For the benefit of our FY and new parents to the school, under no circumstances should Sun Protection Cream be sent into school. If the weather requires sun protection this should be applied **at home before** coming to school. P20 and other similar products offer ALL DAY cover. Similarly, any hay fever and summer allergy over the counter medication should be taken prior to coming to school. Obviously hats, sunglasses (not toy ones) maybe worn as required. Staff, as always, will ensure that children have access to their water bottles throughout the day.

**Bikes and Scooters**

Could I remind parents to ensure that children are not to be riding on bikes or scooters on school premises, Thank you for your cooperation.



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### Staffing

Next Friday we say goodbye to Miss Richards and Mrs Hopwood. We thank them for all of their hard work throughout their time at St Joseph's and wish them well in the next stage of their careers.

We welcome some new teaching staff in September – Miss Andrews, Miss Gamlen and Mr Kay.

We also welcome a new KS2 Teaching Assistant, Mrs Pritchard, who will be working across Y4 from September.

### Guidance to Parents and Visitors Relating to Conduct on School Premises

There is a document on our school website called 'Guidance to Parents and Visitors Relating to Conduct on School Premises.' This is a document that has been adopted by the multi-academy and sets out information about how parents and visitors will be treated with respect, in line with our safeguarding policy, and how visitors and parents are expected to behave calmly, politely and respectfully. The guidance contains step by step information about how incidents will be dealt with if there are any cases of unacceptable behaviour. We thank the majority of our parents who are a pleasure to interact with; however, unfortunately, there have been a couple of incidents recently in which parents have spoken inappropriately to staff. Please familiarise yourself with this policy as school have been asked to use it to address incidents that arise.

### Allergies

**Please note that we have a number of children in school, across each year group with severe allergies. Many of these are allergies to nuts. As a result, any products containing nuts are banned from school, including days when the children may be going on a school trip. Such products include: cereal bars containing nuts and Nutella etc... Please do not send your child into school with any products containing nuts as a matter of safeguarding all children.**

### E-Safety Workshop for Parents

Unfortunately, the staff at the NSPCC had to cancel our planned Online Safety Workshop that was due to take place in May. This has been re-arranged for Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October at 2-3pm and a letter confirming the details will be sent out in September.

### FY Outdoor Area

Foundation Year have been busy working on improving their outdoor area and we would like to thank EH Smiths who have donated some gravel for the area they have recently cleared.

Thank you to Miss Rudd who has managed to secure a grant of £1700 to purchase resources for the outdoor area, including a mud kitchen. The grant has been awarded to us by Sutton Town Council – a huge thank you to them. We look forward to seeing the new items in the autumn term.

If anyone has any unwanted fence or masonry paint, Foundation Year would be very grateful of it to paint their outside sheds. Also, if anyone has an old pots, pans, jugs or utensils they no longer want (no matter the condition) FY would be very grateful of them for their mud kitchen.



### Reading Inspire Workshop

We have noted that parents would like more information regarding their child's progress and how they can support at home. A majority of parents requested further information about supporting children's reading at home and reading is something we are working on making more high profile in school. We were very grateful to have over 100 parents attend our Reading Inspire Workshop last week and we hope you found it informative in terms of the retrieval, inference and vocabulary skills children need to make progress with reading comprehension.

### PTA Events

Thank you to everyone who supported the PTA Summer Fete, from donating goods to attending the event last Friday. It was a fantastic success. Thank you so much to the PTA members who prepared, organised and ran the stalls to make the event possible. We will let you know how much money was raised in total soon.

### Cars on site

May I politely remind parents dropping and collecting from the Sunshine Club, NO parents' cars should be onsite after 8am or before 4.45pm. Any parents who are found repeatedly abusing this rule this role will have their membership of the Club rebuked. If parents'



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cars are on site during the permitted times, these must be parked in the allocated bays. Cars being parked outside of the bays are causing a danger and a hazard.

**Goodbye to Year Six**

Next Friday we say goodbye to our Year Six children. We are so proud of how you have conducted yourselves as a year group throughout school - hardworking, enthusiastic and a wonderful example of good behaviour to others. We will be very sad to see you go, but you are more than ready for the next stage of your journeys at secondary school. We wish you good luck and our best wishes for September.

The families who are leaving us next Friday after many years are:

Blackburn, Casey, Cooney, Evans, Harrison, Lavery, Mahoney, Marsh, McKivett, O'Connor, Onana, Reay, Riley, Rooney, Rogers, Simmons, Sweeney-Hill, Szpak and Taroni.

We wish you well for the future.

**Achievement and Attainment of St Joseph's Catholic Primary School 2018-19**

We are thrilled with our school results for this year - a fabulous achievement by all. The children will receive their individual results in their school reports. We are so pleased for the children who have tried their best. Thank you to all of the staff over the years who have had an input in educating the children - a real St Joseph's team effort!

EYFS – Percentage of children achieving a good level of development (expected or exceeding in all of the prime areas)	
School	Latest National Data
<b>78%</b>	72%

Year 1 Phonics Reading Test – Percentage of children achieving a pass		Year 2 (retake) Reading Screening Test - Percentage of children achieving a pass	
School	Latest National Data	School	Latest National Data
<b>93%</b>	82%	<b>100%</b>	92%

KS1 (Y2) Subject	Reaching the Expected Standard+ School	Reaching the Expected Standard+ National	Above the Expected Standard School	Above the Expected Standard National
<b>Reading</b>	<b>81%</b>	76%	<b>28%</b>	26%
<b>Writing</b>	<b>79%</b>	70%	<b>23%</b>	16%
<b>Maths</b>	<b>86%</b>	76%	<b>28%</b>	22%
<b>RWM Combined</b>	<b>75%</b>	65%	<b>18%</b>	12%

Key Stage KS2 (Y6)	Reaching Expected Standard+ School	Reaching the Expected Standard+ National	Above the Expected Standard School	Above the Expected Standard National	Average Scaled Score School	Average Scaled Score National
<b>Reading</b>	<b>77%</b>	73%	<b>39%</b>	28%	<b>107</b>	104





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<b>Writing</b>	<b>94%</b>	78%	<b>42%</b>	20%	<b>N/A</b>	N/A
<b>Grammar, Punctuation and Spelling</b>	<b>93%</b>	78%	<b>58%</b>	34%	<b>111</b>	106
<b>Maths</b>	<b>100%</b>	79%	<b>58%</b>	24%	<b>109</b>	105
<b>RWM Combined</b>	<b>77%</b>	65%	<b>29%</b>	10%	<b>N/A</b>	N/A

This weekend we hear how a Good Samaritan helped a man who was hurt, but how a Priest and a Levite both ignored him. Let's think about who our neighbour is and how Jesus shows us that we should help anyone in need.



*Healing God, unite us in love because we are all neighbours in Christ.*

*Let us be like you and offer compassion and help to everyone in need. Amen.*

Yours sincerely,

*N Hill*

G M O'Hara  
Executive Principal

Mrs N Hill  
Head of School

**Previous newsletters and other information can be found on our School website: [www.stjosutton.net](http://www.stjosutton.net)**

Dates for your Diary – July		
Tuesday 16th July	3:30-4:15pm	Parents' Consultation Drop In (if required)
Wednesday 17th July	6:30pm	Y6 Production (Y6 children to arrive at school from 5:50pm)
Friday 19th July	9:00am	Y6 Leavers' Mass
Friday 19th July		School Year Ends
Tuesday 3rd September	8.45am	New School Year Begins

**School Term Dates for 2019/20**

**Autumn Term 2019**

Term starts: Monday 2nd September 2019 - Half Term: Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November

Term Ends: Friday 20th September 2019

**Spring Term 2020**

Term starts: Monday 6th January 2020 - Half Term: Monday 17th February to Friday 21st February 2020

Term Ends: Thursday 9th April 2020 (Maundy Thursday)

Easter Sunday 12th April 2020

**Summer Term 2020**

Term starts: Monday 27th April 2020 - Half Term: Monday 25th May 2020 to Friday 29th May 2020

Term Ends: Friday 17th July 2020

**2019-20 Inset Days**

Please note, our inset days for next academic year are as follows:

- Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019
- Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019
- Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2019
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2020
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020



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