

Newsletter No.3

Dear Parents,

HMI Section 8 OFSTED Inspection

All parents should have received their own copy of the Section 8 Ofsted Outcome Letter emailed on Monday this week.

If you have not read the Inspection Letter it can be found on our website in the parents section under 'Inspections'
<http://stjosutton.net/download/results/ofsted/St-Josephs-Catholic-Primary-School-10048319-PDF-Final.pdf>

As you will see we have once again been judged to be **OUTSTANDING** providers of Education. This is a testament to all who work at the school and to the many hours of dedication, above and beyond what is expected for you, our parents, and all our children. An Outstanding judgement in today's educational climate is a fantastic achievement and one that all associated with St Josephs should be proud of. Thank you to the governors and parents who took the time to speak with, email, write a note to, or logged onto parent view to pass their thoughts to the inspectors. Together we really are a fantastic team to enable the children to flourish.

I am mindful that there are a number of social groups including WhatsApp where discussions about school life are taking place, please be mindful of the dangers of gossip as this is unhelpful. As always if you have concern please come and speak to us in school and find out the information you are seeking first hand.

A big thank you to those who have taken the time to congratulate the school, it is appreciated.

This week's award winner. The awards are as follows:

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| The Tidiness Award | Y1G | Lining Up award | Y2E |
| Lunchtime Behaviour Award | Y1W | The Attendance Award | Y2E with 98.2% |

Cross Country

Well done to the Cross Country team who competed at the second meet of the season last week- all tried their best. Thank you to Miss Gavin and parents for your time making our entry possible.

Football results

The boys came back from 4-0down at Half time to lose 5-4 in the last minute against Holy Cross School. We also lost to New Hall School 4-2, best of luck tonight when they face Mere Green. Mr Lynch has been very pleased with everyone's attitude and efforts. Keep going lads (not everyone can be as good as Leeds Utd!!)

Toilet use

Unfortunately, from next week we are unable to allow parents into the school building to use the toilet, before, after or during school time. I hope you can understand we have a duty of care to our children in safeguarding them by not continually letting adults access to the building. The continual stream of users throughout the day(about 20-30) is extremely disruptive to the Office staff , often with the facilities being left in an inappropriate state for the next user. We have to follow the rules of the other schools within our MAC that do not allow this. Thank you for your cooperation.

Parking

Thank you to those who are trying to assist with the parking issue, your support is much appreciated.

CAFOD to support our children globally, we held a '**Brighten Up this Harvest**' fundraising Non Uniform day to support communities in deprived parts of the world. Our money raised, will support **CAFOD** to provide seeds and training to farmers, teach people to build greenhouses to grow produce that isn't destroyed by the weather. We will let you know how much was raised in the next newsletter.

Harvest Festival

During this Season, Pope Francis asks us to consider our corporal works of mercy, one of which is to feed the hungry. As part of our harvest celebrations, we will be remembering those within our local community and also those globally. This fully supports our need to recognise that every child has the right to nutritious food. (Article 24 UNCRC).

Next Friday (**12th October**) we are having our **Harvest Mass**. Foundation Year will take part by processing in with items of food to create our harvest display. Any groceries in packets, tins and jars donated in would be used to support the Food Bank in our local



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area. This organisation ensures that families have an emergency supply of food for three days. It would be wonderful if every child could donate one item of dried food as we recognise how fortunate we are to have food on our tables every mealtime. Please send as much as you can for this very deserving cause.

Y5 Trip to St Chad's Cathedral

Mr Lynch says you were fantastic ambassadors for the school – well done! I hope you found the day enjoyable and informative about our faith.

Parents Evening

This terms Parents Evening will take place on Wednesday 24th October from 3.30pm to 7.00pm. Signing up for an appointment will be via Parent Mail from Wednesday 10th Next week.

Year 2M and Year 2E Mass

We were very pleased with your reverence and participation at Mass on Wednesday morning- your first ever Class Mass in the Church. Thanks to all parents who help walk with us.

Children's Family Mass

This Sunday 7th October is the next Children's family Mass at Holy Trinity Church- 9.00am. Please try to make this mass your weekend family mass

Y6 Mass of Commitment

Fr Michael has arranged the Year 6 Mass of Commitment to the Confirmation Programme on Saturday 20th October at the 6pm Mass at Holy Trinity. School Uniform not required.

Rosary

As we are in the month of October, the children from all classes have the opportunity to join together at certain playtimes to pray a decade of the Rosary in Honour of Mary. Please encourage your children to bring their own rosary beads to school to make it extra special.

October is the Month of the Rosary to honour Mary the Mother of God in a special way.
We build altars and shrines in her honour and say prayers to her more so than at other times.



The Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help or sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my mother; to thee do I come before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful, O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen,



Yours sincerely,

G.M. O'Hara

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Principal

Previous newsletters and other information can be found on our School website: www.stjosutton.net

Other dates to note:

Y6 Confirmation will take place on Saturday 24th Nov at 6pm Mass at Holy Trinity Church (this is for both parishes)



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| Dates for your diary – October | | |
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| Wed 10 th | All day | FY –Y5 Nasal Flu vaccinations (NHS) |
| Friday 12 th | 9.00am | Harvest Mass in the Hall |
| Friday 12 th | 3.45pm | Football match v Banners Gate School |
| Tues 16 th | Am | FY Eye test (NHS) |
| Wed 17 th | 10.00am | Y6 walk to Holy Trinity Church for Mass |
| Wed 17 th | 10.00am | Fire Engine visits FY. |
| Friday 19 th | 8.55am | Y5 Class led Assembly and Pupil of the Month Award– All welcome |
| Friday 19 th | 3.45pm | Football match v Moor Hall School |
| Saturday 20 th | 6.00pm | Y6 Mass of Commitment to the Confirmation Programme. |
| Wed 24 th | 10.00am | Y4L and Y4I walk to Holy Trinity Church for Mass |
| Wed 24 th | 3.30-7.30pm | Parents Evening |
| Thurs 25 th | 3.20pm | Last day of the half term |
| Fri 26 th | Staff Inset day – School closed for pupils | |
| Mon 5 th Nov | 8.45am | New Term begins |



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