



# St. Joseph's Weekly News

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November



Dear Parents,

Next Friday sees the end of the month, meaning that Christmas is now closer than is probably comfortable considering everything that needs to be done in the coming weeks...both at home and in school! Of course, this is a particularly special time of year in school and we hope that you can join us for as many of the events/celebrations that we have planned; check those diaries everyone!

Enjoy your last weekend of November; let the festive preparations begin...or continue!

### Anti-Bullying Week – Choose Respect /Competition Winners

Last week was national Anti—Bullying Week and at St. Joseph's we certainly embraced this theme throughout the course of the week. During the course of the week, Enzo and Ella organised a variety of events, including a poster competition which had over 100 entrants in total...**amazing!**

Congratulations to all of the year group winners and the overall winner who was Oliver in Year 5. All of the winner's super posters are on display in the Junior corridor.

### PHSE Workshop

Thank you to those few parents who attended, as all stated in their evaluations it was a really useful session and so important for children today to be aware of all aspects of what Jigsaw covers. We will aim in the coming terms to complete a session with parents so that you can get a greater understanding. If you were unable to attend then please see the website for an update on Jigsaw.

### Parent Workshops and Home /School Learning Partnerships

Numbers seem to be decreasing once again. I know times are not always ideal but where possible we do vary and repeat. These sessions are vitally important for you as the first educators of your children. These enable you to have a greater awareness of the current educational climate as well as key priorities for us and for your child's progress. These are fantastic opportunities for you to learn and to support your child in the right way. **If you have any workshops you would like us to run in the Spring term (January to March) please make a note at the office (the sheet is up). I would much rather this be of use to you and have more attend than waste staff time.**

### Football Match

On Wednesday, our Football Team played their first match of the season against Brookland Junior School. Despite losing 3-1, the team put on a great display and their efforts deserved at least a draw. You all did St. Joseph's proud boys! Thanks to all of those parents who helped in some way. 😊

### Piano Music Lessons

Some parents have expressed an interest in Piano lessons for their child. An individual 20 minute piano lessons with our violin teacher will cost £150.70 per term for 11 lessons. She does not teach groups and lessons may need to take place at The Broxbourne secondary school. If you are still interested in Piano lessons for your child please re confirm your interest to the school office by Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December; please note by reconfirming this does not guarantee a space will be available.

**ATTENDANCE AWARD**  
100%

**Reception HOUSE POINTS**  
Matthew

**STARS OF THE WEEK**

**Nursery**  
Alexies and Jawdan

**Reception**  
Sara and Kamsi

**Year 1**  
Jasmine and Carmen

**Year 2**  
Francesca and Kian

**Year 3**  
Maja and Christian

**Year 4**  
Emilio and Laura

**Year 5**  
Alessia and Michael M

**Year 6**  
Enzo and James

**THIS WEEK'S WRITERS**

**Year 1**  
Jasmine

**Year 2**  
Eseosa

**Year 4**  
Alexia

**Year 5**  
Liliana

**Year 6**  
Shardae

## Bicycles and Scooters

Whilst we actively encourage children to come to school on their bicycle/scooters, in the interests of the health and safety of all concerned, children are not permitted to ride them whilst on school premises. Any child seen riding their bicycle/scooter on school premises (once they enter the school gates) will have this privilege removed and will not be allowed to do so in future. Thank you for your continued support in this matter.

## Governors Buildings Fund

Thank you to all those parents who have supported with this. It really does make a difference to your children so if you are still waiting to contribute then you still can.

You can now pay your building fund contribution via Parentmail+pay in three instalments of £20.00. If you are a tax payer you can maximise your contribution through gift aid (this does not cost you the tax payer any more money but does benefit the school). Please tick the gift aid box when making your payment through Parentmail+pay. We will then send you a gift aid declaration form to complete.

Once again, 'thank you' for your continuing support in helping to make the facilities at St Joseph's some of the best in Hertfordshire.

### REMINDERS!

1. Please remember those healthy items for packed lunches.
2. Please remember your child should be wearing their house badges every day to school. Additional badges can be purchased from the school office for 30p
3. Children are NOT to ride Bikes and Scooters whilst on school premises. This is still happening and can cause accidents so parents please be mindful – if this continues then bikes and scooters will be banned!
4. Children are NOT to play in the access road outside the Royal Avenue gate, as this vehicular gate is in constant use.
5. Download the ParentMail App to keep informed of school events and information.

St Joseph's is a 'NUT-FREE' Zone!

### IMPORTANT DATES

|                                    |   |                             |
|------------------------------------|---|-----------------------------|
| Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> November   | Choir Concert                             | Royal Albert Hall – All day |
| Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> November | Year 6 Class Mass                         | 2.30pm – School Hall        |
| Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> November | Chexs Christmas Craft                     | 3.30pm – 5pm                |
| Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November   | Year 4 Class Trip<br>The Verulamium Roman | All Day                     |
| Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> November   | PTA Mufti Day                             | All Day                     |
|                                    | ADVANCE NOTICES                           |                             |
| Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> December   | Christmas Dinner Day                      | School Closes at 1.00pm     |
| Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> December   | Last Day of Term                          | School Closes at 1.30pm     |



## WEEK ONE - MENU CHOICES

Week Commencing: \* 26<sup>th</sup> November \* 17<sup>th</sup> December \* 7<sup>th</sup> January \* 28<sup>th</sup> January \* 25<sup>th</sup> February \* 18<sup>th</sup> March \*

| DAY                | RED  | GREEN   | JACKET POTATO                             | YELLOW           |
|--------------------|--|---|---|------------------|
| MAGIC<br>MONDAY    | Lamb Slice<br>with<br>Diced Potatoes   | Southern Fried Quorn<br>Grill<br>with<br>Pasta  | Jacket Potato<br>with<br>Various Toppings | Tuna Roll        |
| FRUITY<br>TUESDAY  | Chicken Curry<br>with<br>Rice  | Tomato and Veggie<br>Sausage Pasta<br>with<br>Wholemeal Bread                           | Jacket Potato<br>with<br>Various Toppings | Ham Baguette     |
| ROAST<br>WEDNESDAY | Roast Pork and Apple<br>Sauce<br>with<br>Roast Potatoes<br>or<br>Wholemeal Pasta | Quorn Pieces in<br>Yorkshire Pudding<br>with<br>Roast Potatoes<br>or<br>Wholemeal Pasta | Jacket Potato<br>with<br>Various Toppings | Cheese Roll      |
| TASTY<br>THURSDAY  | Burger in a Bun<br>with<br>Potato Wedges   | Cheese Pinwheel<br>with<br>Tri Colour Pasta   | Jacket Potato<br>with<br>Various Toppings | Chicken Baguette |
| FISH<br>FRIDAY     | Battered Fish Fillet<br>with Chips<br>or<br>Pasta                                | Cheese and Tomato<br>Pizza Wrap<br>with Chips<br>or<br>Pasta                            | Jacket Potato<br>with<br>Various Toppings | Cheese Roll      |

## A Healthy Packed Lunch

### Suggestions for food to include in a healthy packed lunch

- **At least** one portion of fruit or vegetable every day.
- Meat, fish or other source of non-dairy protein (e.g. lentils, beans, soya or hummus), every day
- Oily fish such as pilchards, salmon or tuna
- A starchy food such as bread, pasta, rice noodles, potatoes or other type of cereal every day.
- Dairy food such as milk, cheese, yoghurt, fromage frais or custard.
- Cereal bars rather than cakes or biscuits
- Seeds, crackers and cheese, vegetables or bread sticks with a dip

### Drinks

- No drinks are to be brought into school – water is provided.
- Water bottles are to be brought on school trips – NO other drink.

### FUN FRIDAY

Suggestions for food to include ON A FUN FRIDAY in a healthy packed lunch.

- Snacks such as crisps
- Chocolate coated biscuits or wafers **or**
- Small cake e.g. fairy cakes, cake bars, muffins **or**
- Small pudding pot e.g. chocolate mousse)

### **Foods that should not be brought into school (These are foods that we have already asked not to be brought into school)**

- Confectionery such as chocolate bars.
- Sweets
- Nuts or nut products (although they can be healthy there is a very serious risk to other children with allergies).
- Fizzy drinks or any soft drink.



# St Joseph's Nursery School



**Do you have a child born between 1st September 2015 and 31st August 2016 ? Are you considering Nursery School?**

**Give your child the best start in Nursery Education at St Joseph's Nursery School in Waltham Cross.**

We welcome applications from all faiths to our Nursery

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