St Joseph's Newsletter 2

14th October 2019

Worship and Liturgy - We said a fond farewell to Fr. James this month who has left us with many fond memories and a stunning painting, this will be framed and up for all the children to enjoy very soon.



We welcome Fr. Oscar who joins us from St. Peter's parish and look forward to sharing our journey with him.

This week we challenge our children to be a good Samaritan to others, to be compassionate, kind and full of integrity



Harvest - Thank you to everyone who took on our most recent faith challenge and donated to our Harvest Appeal and Cafod Family fast day. Your donations will go towards helping the most needy in our community and the wider world.

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Class Experiences - Our children have had fantastic experiences during this half term, here are just a few 'wow' moments that they have had.



Foundation Class - Visit from the Fire Brigade



Class 1 - Visit to the Scott Memorial in Plymouth City Centre





Class 2 - Apple Picking

Class 3 - Building stone age homes



Class 4 - Making Roman Mosaics



Class 5 - Re- enacting and Egyptian Burial



Class 6 - PGL Residential



For more photos check out the website.

Parking- Please help safeguard the community by parking considerately and safely when coming to school.

FLO - We say goodbye to Mrs RIce at the end of October who moves on to take up a similar role in a different setting. We thank her for her time her and wish her the best of luck in her new venture.



New Leaders - We welcome our new student council and Sports Ambassadors to their roles this year. They will work with Mrs Spry and Mrs Penman, representing the voice of the class and leading active play at break and lunchtime.



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Attendance and Punctuality - Poor attendance can affect emotional well being, confidence and friendships as well as progress. Every day counts! Our attendance percentage so far this year is **96.6%**! Let's keep it like that! Congratulations Class 3 **98.4%**



Ready to learn - As the weather gets colder and wetter please ensure your child comes to school in a suitable coat that will keep them warm and dry on the way to and from school as well as at break and lunch. Please also ensure PE kit is in school every day.

Fire Brigade - Foundation, Class 2 and Class 5 had a visit from the fire brigade on Thursday 10th October. They had a great time and learnt a lot about fire safety. The fire brigade also let us know that they can visit homes to do safety checks. Please see our website for more details.



Vacancies - We currently have vacancies for mealtime assistants and a Parent Support Advisor. Please contact the office for more details.

How can we help at home?

Little and often is the key to success!

Here are three things you can do at home to help support your child's progress in school.

Keep an eye out for leaderboards on the website.

If you need a login for TTRock STars or Literacy Planet please speak to your child's teacher.

Reading together *will make a huge difference. Ask questions about the book:*
Who is your favourite character and why?
What do you think will happen next?
Can you think of another word for.....?
Attend the Reading Workshops for more support with reading.

House Points

St Bernadette's 1285

St Peter's 1168

St Paul's 1114

St Therese 938

Dates for your Diary

Non Pupil Days

Friday 18th and Monday 28th October 2019

Reading Workshop

Year 3 and 4

Wednesday 16th October 2019 3pm

Year 5 and 6

Wednesday 30th October 2019 3pm

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Friday 1st November 9.00am

Parents Evening

Wednesday 6th November 4 - 7pm
Thursday 7th November 4 pm- 7pm
Appointments made through the office