



15th October 2021




Worship and Liturgy - In the Gospel on Sunday we will hear about how Jesus helped a blind man called Bartimaeus to see again. Sometimes we see things

that are not fair or right, but it can be a lot harder to see how to change these things. Let's think about how we can help everyone to see what we can do to make the world a fairer place. This week we are asking our children to think about:

How can we show justice to others?

Celebrations this week

Attendance for the Whole school is 92%	Top class for attendance is Class 6 98%
Crew Member of the Week F- Shashmidha- Captain Cain for super effort with your writing this week. 1. Hazel Admiral Ann for being creative in all subjects. 2. Eoghan - Commander Kim for all his problem solving 3 Mrs Faith - Every crew member for all her hard work during her time at St Josephs 4 Oscar- Captain Cain for superb effort in his learning. 5 Lacey C-Sailor Sam for perseverance in all lessons, especially English. 6 Lola - Commander Kim for high level problem solving	
Witness of the Term - Displaying all the virtues and values in all they do  F- Jenson 1 - Jax 2. - Luca C 3 - Jaylen 4 - Ella 5 - Aishwiny 6 - Zak	

Parents Evening

It was great to see so many of you this week meeting your child's teacher. Those that I managed to speak to seemed extremely happy with the start your child had made to the new school year. I hope you managed to have a good look at your child's books and are pleased with the progress they are making. On the back of these meetings, I would really like to get your views via a questionnaire. A link will have been sent out to you via email, so please let us know your thoughts.

Half Term

School will be closed for half term, but I shared on our Facebook page some half-term holiday clubs for those families who may require this.

Don't forget that there is an INSET day on Monday 1st November, and children return to school on Tuesday 2nd November.

School Photos

Children looked incredibly smart on Monday for their photos. We were also able to have photos taken with siblings. As soon as they come into school, we will send the prints home for you to look at and decide if you would like to purchase these.

Morning timings

Our school day does not start until 08:50, but we operate what is called a 'soft start' where parents are able to drop their children and go without having to wait too long on the playground. The soft start time up until now has been 08:40, but **after half term we need to move this to 08:45**. The gates will still be opened just before 08:40 for those parents who wish to wait on the playground or outside the classroom, but the bell will now ring at 08:45 and doors will open. This is a safeguarding decision as we need to ensure that in all classes, there are sufficient adults on hand to welcome the children in.

Pantomime



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I have almost finalised the plans, and I will share these with you in a letter shortly after half term. However, we will be transporting children to the theatre and will be asking parents to collect their children from the Theatre Royal on Thursday 6th January at approximately 17:30. Please can I ask you to start planning for these arrangements.

Have a wonderful week! Every member of our staff team has worked incredibly hard and deserve their rest. I am thankful to them all for all that they do for St. Joseph's. We will see you on the 2nd November.
God bless,
Mr M Dyson

Dates for your diaries

1st November - **SCHOOL CLOSED STAFF TRAINING.**

2nd November - First day of Autumn 2 Term

9th December - International Christmas Market

10th December - Christmas Jumper Day and Christmas Dinner

6th January - PANTO! Late collection.

EMAILS TO PARENTS

We would like to take this opportunity to apologise. We have had some technical difficulties and as a result our class emails, school emails and newsletters have not been received. While we get this back up and running, please make sure to get your class and school information from our website www.st-josephs.plymouth.sch.uk/website