

21st January 2022

Dear Families,

I'd like to thank all the families for your support in sending your child to school in the correct uniform.

I also wanted to reaffirm the uniform dress code:

Boys- Navy jumper, white shirt, school tie, grey/ black trousers/shorts, black school shoes (no trainers.)

Girls- Navy cardigan/jumper, white shirt, school tie, grey/black skirt/pinafore/trousers, black school shoes or boots (in the winter months)

PE Boys- Black/dark coloured tracksuit/joggers/shorts, white polo T-Shirt, trainers/plimsoles

PE Girls- Black/dark coloured tracksuit/leggings/shorts, white polo T Shirt, trainers/plimsoles



Uniform with the school logo can be purchased from:

Sue Burkett – sueburkett@hotmail.co.uk (order forms available from the school office)

<https://myclothing.com/st-josephs-catholic-primary-and-nursery-school/7968.school>

The staff at St Joseph's take pride in the esteem the school has in the local community and it is the hope that the children fly that flag too. Wearing the uniform shows a sense of belonging.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Mrs Wilkins-Campbell and the St Joseph staff team



Covid Updates

With the increasing numbers of Covid cases and the new Omicron variant we are continually monitoring the latest government guidance and making the necessary adjustments to play our part in keeping everyone safe.

As a reminder the following measures are currently in place and we ask for your support with these;

- Staff are asked to wear face coverings in communal places around the school.
- No Visitors are to come into school unless for Essential Visits i.e. Health Visitors and all visitors to our school will need to wear face coverings. Unfortunately, this means that we will not be able to invite Parents or Carers in for any performances, assemblies or sporting activities (to be reviewed at the end of January).
- Parents are asked to wear face coverings when dropping off in the mornings and picking up at the end of the Day.

Positive Cases in School:

Unfortunately, we have been made aware of further positive cases in school –

1 case in Year 1, 2 cases in Year 3, 1 case in Year 5, 2 cases amongst staff

All cases still appear to be isolated however, we are monitoring children for signs of symptoms and ask that you also do this yourselves, along with following the guidance below. If you have any questions or concerns about Covid in school, please contact the school office and we will be happy to support you;

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-coronavirus-restrictions-what-you-can-and-cannot-do>

You're **not required to self-isolate** if you live in the same household as someone with COVID-19, or are a close contact of someone with COVID-19, and any of the following apply:

- you're fully vaccinated
- you're below the age of 18 years and 6 months
- you've taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial
- you're not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

If you are aged 5 years and over and have been identified as a contact of someone with COVID-19, and you are not legally required to self-isolate, **you are now strongly advised to:**

- take a lateral flow test every day for 7 days
- take this daily lateral flow test before you leave your home for the first time that day

If any of these lateral flow tests are positive, you should immediately self-isolate in order to protect other people.

We have been advised that local residents are able to collect boxes of 20 LFT's on a Monday and Thursday from the car park at the back of the NatWest building, if you need these, alternatively you are able to order them online.



Indian Themed Menu

Thank you to our Catering Team from Aspens who have this week delighted us with their Indian culinary skills. We are hoping to organise many more themed events this year including a special Royal Garden Party to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.



Announcement:

We are pleased to share the wonderful news and pass on congratulations to Mrs Waring who welcomed a new baby boy into her family earlier this week. Mum and baby are both healthy and doing well and we are sure you join us in wishing the Waring family all the very best.



Welcome Mrs Henry to our Year 5 Classroom.

Hopefully, your children have come home this week raving about their new class Teacher, Mrs Henry. Mrs Henry joined us earlier this week and has happily agreed to the join the St Joseph's community for the period of Mrs Marriott's Maternity Leave. She has had lots of wonderful things to say already this week about our Year 5 class – Well done to All of Year 5 for making Mrs Henry's first week a great one! Please join us in welcoming Mrs Henry and make sure to say "hello" when you see her around school.



Athletics

This week a group of our Year 5 and 6 Children were given the opportunity to attend an athletics session at the Dukeries. All of the children enjoyed testing their athletic skills. Future events are being arranged with the Dukeries to give as many children as possible these opportunities.

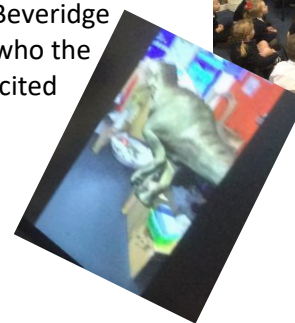
E Book Reminder

A reminder to parents of children in years F2, 1 and 2 to access your child's E book weekly to support the new phonics and reading programme in school.



Special Visitor in Foundation 2

This week our Foundation 2 children have had a very exciting visitor in the classroom. Earlier in the week, they found a nest containing eggs, and then after their PE lesson, they returned to their room to find some very scary looking footprints, after checking cameras, Mrs Beveridge and Mrs Humphreys were able to show the children who the visitor was. The children were equally scared yet excited to find it was a dinosaur!



Key Dates

Below are reminders of those key dates for the next few weeks with any new dates or any amended dates reflected.

28th January – Years 3 and 4 Mass in School

4th February – Years F2, 2 and 6 Mass in School

8th February – Internet Safety Day

11th February – Inset Day (**SCHOOL CLOSED**) – Wrap Around Holiday Club Available

14th – 18th February - Half Term (**SCHOOL CLOSED**)



Congratulations to all of our pupils who have made our celebration page this week. If there is anything you think your child deserves a special mention for, for the things they do outside of school please email office@st-joseph-pri.notts.sch.uk as we would love to include them on this page.



let's celebrate!

**Mrs Wilkins-Campbell's
Forest School Friends**

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| Ivy-Bow H (F2) | Leighton R (C3) |
| Zac S (F2) | Charlotte W (C3) |
| Amina S (C1) | Riven B (C4) |
| Tyler B (C1) | Bobby C (C4) |
| Evie W (C2) | Alfie-John P (C5) |
| Lucas W (C2) | Alanya W (C5) |
| Coby-Jo M (C3) | Ellie B (C6) |
| | Jack B (C6) |

Midday Supervisor Stars
Lacey L (C3) for her act of kindness. **Larry H (F1)** for his efforts at lunchtime.

Mrs Bracegirdle's Star
Oliver K (C1) for his continued effort in being a great role model

Mrs Broad's Special Mention
Noah F (F1)
For always being friendly.

Outside Achievements

Oliver K (C1) last weekend played his first match for Ollerton Rugby Club, he had a very good match and was full of confidence.

Well Done Oliver we look forward to hearing many more success stories!

Football Fixture – Tuesday 18th January

After weeks of organisation and planning by Mr Fox, our Football team finally managed to play their first fixture. Mr Fox, Miss Howard and the rest of the school are very proud of the team. We unfortunately lost 1-3 to Forest View but for our pupils in their first match as a squad against a very strong opposition, they did a fantastic job and we believe that they will be in a good position for the league. Our next match will be against St Mary's – Date TBC



Wrap Around Care

Special mention to all our F1's and F2's who attend after school club, they have settled into our routine well and play nicely with all the other children attending.

Reminder of up and coming events:

Tuesday 1st February is Chinese New Year, we will be sampling Chinese Food on this occasion.



31st January – 4th February – National Storytelling week.

We will be having lots of activities planned around storytelling and fairy tales this week.



7th – 10th February (days TBC) –

Valentines themed activities and foods

11th February –

Holiday Inset Club – Exciting plans are currently being finalised but there will be lots of fun activities both indoors and outdoors for the children to be involved in. Pre booking on ParentMail is essential.

Attendance

Congratulations to Year 4 who receive the achievement for the highest attendance last week. Well Done!!!



Year 4

F1	95.8%
F2	93.3%
C1	89.0%
C2	95.3%
C3	92.9%
C4	96.4%
C5	94.2%
C6	90.4%
Overall	93.3%

Commendations

Congratulations to our children who have been recommended for Commendation!

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| F1 | Norah-Eve D |
| F2 | Lily N |
| C1 | Tyler B |
| C2 | Hannah P |
| C3 | Blake P |
| C4 | Elliott W |
| C5 | Ethan L |
| C6 | Ellie B |

