

11th March 2022



HELP AND SUPPORT FOR UKRAINE

This week we continue to offer our prayers and support for all of those affected by the ongoing conflict in Ukraine. Our school community contributed amazingly to the efforts last week to provide urgent supplies to be delivered to those in need and we would like to once again ask for your support, with joining in with the following activities and initiatives that we are currently taking part in to show our support and solidarity to those in need.

Prayer for Ukraine

We have this week shared some prayers from the Diocese with our children in class and including these in our daily worship activities. The following is a prayer from CAFOD which is currently being used by our children which we would also like to share with yourselves. Please keep all those affected in your own thoughts and prayers, whilst we hope for a swift resolution;

"Loving God,

We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world.

Amen."



Our Lady of Kyiv



ShoeBox Appeal

Parents should have received information this week about the ShoeBox Appeal, which are supporting in school We are looking to collect a range of shoeboxes for children who have had to flee leaving their personal belongings behind. The ShoeBox appeal are asking for the following boxes:

- Age 3 − 6
- Age 7 − 10
- Age 11-16

Please use the checklist and guidance provided to ensure that only necessary products are included and it would be recommended to avoid any liquids. Boxes needed to be wrapped separately to the lids and then secured with an elastic band. Parcels maybe subjected to inspection on route to their destination and this will make it easier whilst still remaining presentable when it is gifted to the children in Ukraine.

Candlelight Vigil – Friday 18th March 2022

At 7pm, on Friday 18th March a candlelight vigil, will be held in the church circle, surrounding St Paulinus Church and we would like to encourage as many of the St Joseph's Community to attend and unite with the whole of the Ollerton and Boughton Community to show support for Ukraine.

All children attending will receive a flag honouring the Ukraine. All people attending are encouraged to bring along torches, mobile phones or anything that can be used to shine a light.

School Assembly – Thursday 17th March 2022

Next Thursday we will hold a school assembly/liturgy session for children in F2 – Year 6. As we will be discussing the events of what is happening, if you

would rather your children not be included in these sessions please let the school office or class teacher know.







Covid Updates

From February 24th the Government have asked that we now treat Covid like other infectious diseases and new guidance on this can be found at; https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-response-living-with-covid-10

Until 1 April 2022, the government still advises people who test positive to stay at home, symptomatic testing remains free through PCR testing. Adults and children who test positive should stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least five full days and then continue to follow the guidance until they have received two negative test results on consecutive days. Thereafter they can return to work and normal everyday life.

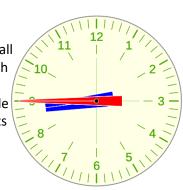
Positive Cases in School:

Cases in school are remaining low;

However, we are monitoring 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.

Safety and Wellbeing in the Playground before 8.45am

Can we please ask parents to remain with your children in the school playground until all children have been directed to their classrooms? The school gates open at 8.35am, with children directed to enter classrooms from 8.45am. We have a staff presence in the Keystage 2 yard, watching over activities children are involved in and monitoring people entering and leaving the premises, but whilst they are also communicating with parents and responding to issues, they are not able to continuously monitor the safety and wellbeing of the amount of people present. Breakfast clubs are available should you have any difficulties with this.





School Petition for a School Zebra Crossing

After many unsuccessful recruitment drives for a new crossing patrol officer outside of school, we are now petitioning the local council and highways team for the installation of a Zebra crossing outside of school. Thank you to those who have —

already signed the petition, we currently have over 200 signatures. However, can we please ask that you continue to share this with your friends and family so that we can gain as many signatures as possible https://chng.it/zX2XJp4m9d



World Book Day Wooden Spoon Competition Winners

Congratulations to our competition winners, Che S (C6), Mia C (C5), Frankie T (C5), Skyler D (C4), Emma D-H (C3), Kaiden O (C1) and Harriet H (C1). It was very difficult for our judges to select the winning decorated spoons as we received so many fantastic entries, depicting many different story book tales. All the entries were fabulous and everyone should be as proud of the entries as we are.

British Science Week

Children will be undertaking activities surrounding the theme "Growth" in their classrooms next week.





In addition to activities taking place in school, the Our Lady of Lourdes are running a competition for our Key Stage 2 children (years 3-6). They are encouraging children to observe what is growing near you and to capture a digital photograph of this linked to the theme of Growth. Entries need to be emailed to office2@st-joseph-pri.notts.sch.uk no later than the 22^{nd} April 2022.





St Patrick's Day

On Thursday 17th March, all pupils in the House, St Patrick's, are invited to come into school wearing a Green item in addition to their uniform. If you are unsure which house your child is in please speak to your child's class teacher.

MandM Productions present Oliver Twist

On Friday 18th March 2022, our children will have the opportunity to watch a touring theatre group, perform Oliver Twist in school. This is a very exciting opportunity for our children and we hope that they all really enjoy the experience.





Easter Disco's - Tuesday 29th March

DJ Gaz will be in school on the evening of the 29th March to deliver a fantastic, fun filled Easter Disco for all of our children.

This is a fundraising activity for the school. There is a charge of £2 per child which is to be paid by cash. Please ensure that the correct amount is placed in a sealed envelope stating Easter Disco and your childs name on the front. This needs to be handed in to the school office, no later than Friday 25th March. Drop off and collection for both discos will be in the KS2 playground.

F1, F2, Year 1 and Year 2 will have their disco at 5.30pm – 6.30pm **Years 3 – 6** will have their disco at 6.45pm – 7.45pm (any children in wrap around care, can bring a change of clothes and go straight to their party)

Inset Day Monday 14th March 2022

School will be closed on Monday 14th March 2022 for Staff Training.

Our Wrap Around Care staff will be running a holiday club on this day. For parents who would like to send your child for the day, you need to book and pay £12.50 through ParentMail. The kitchen is unfortunately closed on this day, so all children will need to bring a packed lunch with them. Snacks and drinks will be available.



Year 2 Pirate Day

Year 2 have today been besieged by Pirates. The children have had a wonderful day dressing up and taking part in Pirate themed activities.

Key Dates

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



17th **March** – St Patrick's Day - Children in House St David may wear green to school on this day.

18th March – Year 3 and 4 mass in School

28th March - Stations of the Cross - Whole School Church Visit

29th March - Easter Disco - More information to follow

1st April – Whole school mass in School

1st April – School Breaks up for the Easter Holiday

1st April – 18th April – SCHOOL CLOSED

19th April - School Returns







NEWSLETT

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 let's celebrate! please email office@st-joseph-pri.notts.sch.uk as

we would love to include them on this page.



Lillian P (F2)

(C2) Elias-Dean B

(F2) Noah B (C3) Lola-Rose B

(C1) Dominc F

(C4) Madison H

(C1) Ava W

(C4) Elliott W

(C2) Freddie P

(C6) Mia W

(C6) Gilbert N-B



Macorleigh P (C5 Lucy G (C6

Maxwell B(F2) for

Outside Achievements

Congratulations to Isabella K (F1) who has this week made her Rainbow Promise. Well Done Bella!!



Attendance

Overall

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

94.4%



Class

F1 89.6% F2 87.8% 94.0% **C1** 96.0% C2 95.2% **C3** C4 100% **C5** 95.2% 96.3% **C6**

lack B (C6) for being well

Ava-Mae (C4) and Madison H (C4) for

Wrap Around Care Announcements

Thank you to Mia W (C6), Laila H (C6) and Pippa W (C4) for all their help and support this week

INSET Monday 14th Wrap Around Care Available please book a place on ParentMail



Sunday 27th March – Mothers Day In the run up to Mothers Day we will have craft activites to create something for the special ladies in our lives.

April - Easter

We will be undertaking early Easter Celebrations in the run up to the Easter Break



Commendations

Congratulations to our children who have been recommended for Commendation!

F1	Leo W
F2	Joseph K
C1	Dakota G
C2	Lily S
C3	Evie B
C4	Oscar H
C5	Frankie T
C6	Fvie H





100% Attendance - Spring 1

Well Done to all of our children whose names were placed in the draw to win a Smyth's Toy Store Gift Voucher. All children who achieved 100% Attendance between 5th January and 9th February 2022 were placed in the draw.

(Covid-19 related absences are not taken into account when calculating children's attendance)

Congratulations go to Sam and George-Lee who were the prize drawer winners. Have fun spending your vouchers!

F1

Boxer A, Alanta E, Noah F, Rowan G, Larry H, Bella K, Leo W, Emily W, River A, Ezra H, Rosie H, Rosie S

F2

Maxwell B, Jaiden D, Wilbert F, Lillie-Rose H, Henry G, Anthony G, Ivy H, Abel O, Lillian P, George P, Zac S, Kevinas S, Matthew S, Albert T, Isla W, Ashton W

Year 1

Darren A, Tyler B, Mckenzie E, Holly-Marie F, Dakota G, Honey J, Oliver K, Finley L, Kaiden O, Cassie P, Xander R, Iyla W, Paddy B, Jayden-Lee B, Oliver H, Harriet H, William M, Georgia-Grace P

Year 2

Alfie B, Robyn C, Lleu H, Elijah K, Elee M, Violet P-C, Hannah P, Lydia P, Rowan P, Freddie P, Thomas S, Lucas W, Hayden H, Rory J



Year 3

Malachai A, Bryan A, Emma D-H, Dominic F, Oliver H, Marius L, Lacey L, Miley M, Coby-Jo M, Blake P, Reuben W, Charlotte W, Jack W, Ouinn B, Ronnie P, Sam R

Year 4

GeorgeLee B, Nevaeh B, Ranae C, Bobby C, Riley D, Skyler D, Saskia F, Madison H, Oscar H, Harry K, Noah P C, Oscar P, Elliott W, Pippa W, Mitchell A, Ava-Mae K, Caspar L, Mikolaj P

Year 5

Joshua B, Mia C, Ethan F, Riley F, Sophia F, Alfie-Junior H, Tyler J, Neve L, Mason P, Antoni P, Alfie-John P, Macorleigh P, Tyler-James R, Leo W, Maisy W, Sergiusz Z, Mason J, Ethan L, Monica R

Year 6

Ellie B, Maisie B, Jack B, Romie C, Pasa G, Evie H, Dominik K, Harry M, Che S, Mia W, William-Jaymes B, Laila H, McKenzie J, Casey L

54.5% of our pupils were entered into the Spring 1 Term prize draw. The next draw will take into consideration all children who achieve 100% attendance between 21st February and 30th March 2022.