

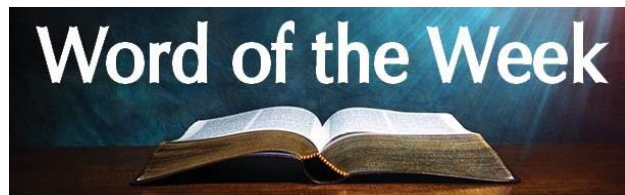


**St Joseph's Catholic Primary School and Nursery**  
*'Growing in love, in the spirit of Christ, for the benefit of all'*

# Happy New Year

6/1/2023

Word Of The Week



This week, the children have been learning about the importance of 'Epiphany', the visit from the Wise Men (the three kings). Today the children have celebrated a 'Day Of Prayer' in school organised and led by the Chaplaincy team. They have completed reflection tasks related to thinking about the greatest gift brought to us at Christmas, Jesus. We then finished the day with our whole school Epiphany Mass organised and lead by Year 6 children. Each child as they entered the hall placed a star they had decorated on the wall, on this they had written a wish for someone else in the school for the New Year. At the end of Mass each child, member of staff and visitor left with a star gift from another member of school to keep somewhere special.





## Mansfield Town vs Doncaster Rovers Match

Our Year 5 and 6 Football team have been selected to be Flag bearers and walk out with the Stags on 28th January at the home game. The children will wear the school team kit on this day. They will get to stay and watch the match as part of the experience but if parents/ family want to join, they will need to purchase their own tickets via the ticket line at Field Mill.

## Football organisation this term

This half-term it is the turn of Years 1 and 2 to take part in the after-school football session with Mansfield Town In The Community. Years 3 and 5 will work with the coach during lunchtime and Years 4 and 6 will take part in a PE session with the coach on a Thursday afternoon. Please ensure ALL children have their PE kit in school, ideally brought with them on a Monday and left in school until Friday to ensure they can partake in all sport related activities.

## Commendation

Congratulations go to the following children for their achievements this week in school:

Foundation 1: Primrose G

Foundation 2: Lily S

Year 1: Matty S

Year 2: Ava W

Year 3: Lola P

Year 4: Quinn B

Year 5: Clayton C

Year 6: Cameron A

Mr Fox's Sports Superstars: Ivy-Bow H and Edison H

Mrs Bracegirdle's special mention: Riley D

Mrs Broad's special mention: Evan B for kindness

## Welcome

We would like to officially welcome Sharon Marriott to the kitchen team as Head Chef, Sharon joins Val and Cirsti in the kitchen preparing our school lunches and am sure the children have made her feel very welcome this week.

Mrs Boyles has also officially joined the Year 5 team as a full-time teaching assistant replacing Mrs Hendley who left us at the end of last term.

## Arbor Reminders

All residential continue to remain on Arbor to allow for installments as and when suits to support with payments. With 4 months to go until Kingswood and 6 months until Walesby and Gullivers, a reminder small regular installments will make the overall cost a little easier to cover. Arbor will accept payments of as little as £5 for these residential as regular installments.

Look out on Arbor from next week for our next INSET holiday club, Friday 10th February (School is closed for INSET). £12.50 for a full day of activities- open to all in school.

## Forest School updates

Over the next 10 weeks we have Lee Cooke, a Forest School specialist coming in to work with some of the children to create structures, dens and plan out a new outdoor prayer/ reflective space. Lee will work with a small group of children on a Tuesday afternoon, a message will be sent to parents if clothing is required.

**Many thanks to Richard Pearson for a very generous donation of tyres and 2 loads of pallets. This will be a great help to our Forest School development.**

## Contact Us

If you have any questions about anything relating to this Newsletter or the day to day running of the school, please see Mrs Wilkins-Campbell or Mrs Broad on the playground, or use the following details:

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