



Statement of the Week

"I can stand up for myself and others without hurting anyone."

Bishop David Konstant

Last week, it was with sadness that we were informed that Bishop David Konstant died peacefully in his sleep.

This week we have kept Bishop David and his family in our prayers.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Bishop David and for the comfort of his family.

God our loving Father, you chose Bishop David to be the teacher and shepherd of your family in the Diocese of Leeds. We give thanks for his life with us, a life shaped by faith, hope and love. As a teacher of the Faith, he encouraged children to be a sign of great hope for the Church. As shepherd, he showed us how to love by serving others.

Grant him, we pray, a place in your heavenly Kingdom in the company of all the saints. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.
AMEN.

Science Activity Afternoon

Tomorrow afternoon the children will have the opportunity to attend a science fair in the school hall. Year 3 & 4 have been planning the afternoon and will run all of the activities and stalls. We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £2 for children to attend all of the science activities and stalls in the school hall which will be used by the children within an entrepreneurial topic to plan for and spend on science equipment/science activities within school. It's a fantastic

opportunity for all of our children to experience science in a new context!

Head Lice

Please can all parents check their children's hair for head lice as we have had several reports of head lice. We have sent advice out from the school nurse to all parents. It highlights the need for thorough and consistent treatment where necessary. I would also recommend that you ensure your child's hair is tied up in school. Thank you in advance for your co-operation.

School Photos

There will be school photos after half term on Wednesday 9th November.

Foundation Stage Crib Service

The foundation stage crib service will be held down at church on Monday 28th November this year at 4pm. All welcome!

Christmas Fair

The school Christmas Fair will be held after school on Friday 25th November. The FOSJ are asking parents to save any jam jars for the tombola stall. We would be very grateful if you could send them into school W/C 21st November. I will put a reminder in the newsletter nearer the time! Thank you in advance!

Christmas Productions

Dates for our Christmas productions will be confirmed after half term.

Assistant SENCO

I would like to welcome a new member of staff to St Joseph's. Mrs Liz Holmes will be starting after half term working two days a week as assistant SENCO. Mrs Holmes is a very experienced teacher and SENCO. I am sure you will join me in making her feel very welcome to our school and community.

Mini Vinnies: Rosary

On Monday lunchtime our Mini Vinnies lead a rosary session in the prayer garden. There was a great turn out! Thank you to the Mini Vinnies!

The Big Sing

Today our year 6 pupils attended the 'Big Sing Liturgy Thing' at Mount St Mary's! They had a fantastic day which was packed with signing, dancing and saying prayers! The staff were very proud of each and every one of our pupils! Well done!

Dates for the Diary

Monday 7th & Tuesday 8th November
(Next half term) Parents' Evenings – booking open online
Wednesday 9th November
School photos
Friday 25th November
Christmas Fair (after school)
Monday 28th November
Foundation Stage Crib Service 4pm

Half Term Holiday

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for a successful half term and wish you all a happy and safe break! Monday 31st is a training day for staff. School re-opens to pupils on Tuesday 1st November.