St Joseph's Catholic Primary School
Head Teacher's Newsletter 24th April 2017

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Statement of the Week

I understand what trust means.

Welcome back after the Easter break. I hope everyone has had a relaxing holiday and is ready for another successful summer term!

Mini Vinnies Sponsored Walk – Mary's Meals

The Mini Vinnies sponsored walk in aid of Mary's Meals has so far raised a staggering £401.60. This is more than double the original target that was set! The Mini Vinnies should be very proud of their efforts and would like to thank everyone for their support and donations! If there are any donations still to come in, please send these into the school office. The Mini Vinnies this year have raised over £800 and because of your generosity we have also helped to restock the food banks and deliver food to some of the poorest families in our communities. Please visit our school website to see more information about the work carried out by the Mini Vinnies so far this year!

Parent Governor

The terms for our parent governors are coming to an end, therefore we will have two vacancies for the start of the next academic year. A letter with more information should you be interested in putting yourself forward will be sent out with this newsletter.

Tennis Taster Day

Today in school our children have had the opportunity to participate in a short tennis session today run by Wetherby Tennis Club. The Tennis Club in Wetherby is having an open day on Sunday 7th May.

Attendance

Average Attendance Figure

17th April – 21st April 2017

FS2	96.6%
Y1	96.5%
Y2	97.2%
Y3	96.9%
Y4	96.5%
Y5	96.7%
Y6	97.3%
Total	**96.8%**

Our current overall school attendance is still under 97%. We are really hoping to reach over this target. Please ensure your child is in school every day.

Uniform

We are now in the summer term and children can wear their summer uniforms. Short sleeved shirts may be worn and the boys may wear grey shorts. Girls may alternatively choose to wear their blue summer dresses with a cardigan.

First Holy Communion – Year 3

Please continue to pray for the children in year 3 who are preparing to make their first Holy Communion on 7th May.

Languages Experience Day

Last Thursday we were visited by Mrs Wall who is a qualified secondary school languages teacher. She spent the day visiting classes teaching them a little bit of French to compliment the French already taught in our KS2 classes. We hope this has inspired and started to prepare our classes for some of the activities that are planned for languages week in school in a few weeks time! Thank you to Mrs Wall for volunteering to give up her time to come into school. The children and staff thoroughly enjoyed it!

This Week: The Good Shepherd Appeal

In May some of our children are attending a service at the Cathedral lead by Bishop Marcus. Here, they will present a cheque with the school's donation for the Good Shepherd Appeal. We have had very little in for this so far and I appreciate that towards the end of last half term we had appeals for Mary's Meals and the sisters, but if anyone would like to donate to the Good Shepherd Appeal, please send these donations into the school office. Many thanks for your generosity in advance.

Mister Shape Shifter

On Thursday 4th May year 5 and year 6 will watch a performance of Mister Shape Shifter which is delivered by the GW Theatre Company. This has been promoted by the Leeds Education and Early Years Safeguarding Team and the children and staff are looking forward to the production.

Important Dates

Sunday 7th May 11:30am First Holy Communion
W/C 8th May SATs week for year 6
W/C 15th May Languages Week in school

FOSJ Upcoming Events

FOSJ BIKE RIDE - Saturday 29th April

Family Night Friday 12th May – Please look out for more information about the FOSJ Family Night! We are hoping that as many of our families can attend a night which is sure to be filled with fun and fundraising!!