



# St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Head Teacher's Newsletter 14<sup>th</sup> September 2018

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This week, in collective worship, we have been thinking about how we make use of our talents to help others.

### Family Mass

This Saturday is family mass at 6pm at St Joseph's Church. We look forward to gathering together to celebrate the mark the start of the new school year. Some of our children will be leading the readings, collection, offertory and singing. All children are welcome to sit together with the St Joseph's staff. We look forward to seeing you there.

### Mini Vinnies

This year we have a new group of Mini Vinnies who will be continuing the very important work of supporting the St Vincent de Paul Society. Today, our group of Mini Vinnies will attend their commissioning ceremony at St Anne's Cathedral in Leeds. We pray for our Mini Vinnies as they embark on their journey this year. We remember those in need and we continue to be committed to helping those in need in our community and beyond.

### Sports Club

Next week Mr Delafield's football club for year 3 and 4 begins. Mr Delafield is an FA certified coach and we are very grateful for his time in supporting our children in their sports development. Miss Mac and Miss Collier are also starting year 5 & 6 football coaching and Miss Waite is beginning Year 5 & 6 netball coaching. These clubs are held during lunchtime. PE Partner have recently shared with parents/carers, details of the afterschool sports clubs available to all children from FS2 to Y6. Throughout the year each class will have the opportunity to access additional PE clubs during the school day at lunch times. These are at no cost to parents as these are funded.

### Extra-Curricular Activities

New clubs coming soon. Watch this space! We will soon be announcing a range of alternative clubs that are available to our children.

### Attendance:

As always we will continue to share regular attendance updates. Regular attendance at school is essential to ensure that your child reaches their full potential. We do however, understand that there are times when your child may be unable to attend school. If you are concerned about your child's attendance or need support with attendance, please do not hesitate to contact, Mrs Goodby, Mrs Homes or Miss Milivojevic.

### Attendance W/E 07.09.2018

FS2	Y1	Y2	Y3	Y4	Y5	Y6	Total
97.6%	93.3%	98.0%	95.7%	96.8%	96.3%	97.2%	96.4%

Please note we are unable to authorise holidays during term time. Attendance below 90% is marked as persistent absence. The national attendance figure is 96% overall, however, our school target is 97%.

### Important Dates:

Next week we will be in a position to share the dates for the school Christmas productions, the foundation stage crib service and parents' evening dates. This year's harvest festival will be held in the school hall on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 9:15am. We look forward to seeing parents and carers joining us to gather together to give thanks for the harvest and all that we are blessed with. Our Mini Vinnies will then take all donations to the St Vincent de Paul Centre in Leeds to help families in need in our local community.

### Statement of the Week

'I CAN SAY ONE GOOD THING ABOUT MYSELF'

### Important Dates:

- 15.09.18 at 6pm  
Family mass at Church
- 19.09.18 Y4&6 mass in church 9:15am
- 21.09.18 mass in school 10am – all welcome
- 1.10.18 & 8.10.18 Road safety workshops throughout school
- 3.10.18 Shakespeare Workshop Y5&6
- 10.10.18 Y3&5 mass in church 9:15am
- 16.10.18 Harvest Festival 9:15am in the school hall.
- 24.10.18 Y2&6 mass in church 9:15am
- 26.10.18 Break up for half term

Please check the calendar on the school website for more information.

### FOSJ Important Dates for the Diary

- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September – Coffee Morning 9am in the Computer Suite
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October - Magic Night with Magic Mark (tickets on sale soon)
- Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> October –Ladies' night! Canapés and cocktails
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November - UV Disco with award winning Rascals entertainment!
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Market

