



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Head Teacher's Newsletter 12th March 2014

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Statement of the week:

"I know what humility means."

Friends of St Joseph's

Spring Clean Up

The FOSJ will be having a spring clean-up at the school this **Sunday 16th March from 1pm.**

This will be to finish painting the school playground and clear the field and woods ready for the summer for all our children to enjoy.

If you are able to give anytime at all please let the friends know by text or email so we are aware how many volunteers can help.

Text: 07957876273 Email: fosjwetherby@gmail.com

Go Fund Me | Climbing Wall

The FOSJ have set up an online funding page for any donations to be made online. The FOSJ are currently aiming to raise £1,500 to fund a climbing wall for the school playground.

If you are able to donate anything from £1 it will be very much appreciated.

<http://www.gofundme.com/7300q8>

The drama workshops for Year 6 started last week and will continue on Monday. The cost of the workshops is very expensive and we are very grateful to the FOSJ for their support and funding. All classes in the school will receive drama workshops before the end of the year.

Lent

Give true meaning to your child's Lenten promises. You may be as surprised as I was to hear on Sunday from Cannon Nunan, that children are regularly going hungry only 20 minutes down the road in East Leeds where The St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) help a large number of disadvantaged children in our own community. The only Christmas present many of these underprivileged children got was the Christmas parcels sent from schools like ours. This Easter they will not be celebrating with chocolate and eggs, they will be lucky to get breakfast. So we have arranged with SVP that we will collect all uneaten crisps / chocolate / biscuits that our children have given up for lent and will donate it to the Children of East Leeds this Easter. In order to help with the donations we will be holding a tuck shop every Friday at school pick up time so you can buy and donate goodies for the children of East Leeds (and obviously treat yourself to if your lent promises let you!) All monies

raised at the tuck shop will go to the climbing wall as part of the adventure playground and the food will be donated to SVP, who will give them to children so they can have an Easter to remember!

Feast of St Joseph

Mass will be celebrated in the school hall on Wednesday 19th of March at 10 a.m. for our patron saint St Joseph on his special feast day. We are also planning some special opportunities for prayer and celebration for our Sacramental class (Year 3) during the day.

Playground Panthers

We are having a break from bun sales now and the Year 5 girls have banked the money collected so far and are busy deciding what playground resources to purchase. I will let you know when the next bun sale is and which class will be providing the buns. The girls from Year 5 would like to thank all parents for their generosity and support so far!

Gardening Club

Mrs Kusinska has started her gardening club Wednesday lunchtime now and is looking for keen gardeners. KS2 will be able to attend 12-12.25 and Year 1 & Year 2 children are invited after their dinner.

School Council

This Thursday (13th March) we welcome the school councils of Holy Family, St Anthony's (Beeston) and Rothwell St Mary's to our school to share in a den building day with our school council. There is a wonderful partnership with Catholic Schools in Leeds and we have already enjoyed visits to St Anthony's for Christmas bauble making and Holy Family for a day shared with exotic animals. I am sure that the day will be a great success and I would like to thank Mrs Velvick, Mr Marrero-Allen and Mr Harman for their input.

Dates for the diary

- 13th March- Raffle tickets on sale for Easter egg raffle
- 13th March – School Councils Den building
- 13th March- Leeds Rhinos assembly 1.15
- 17th March- Alive & Kicking workshop for Y6
- 18th March- Students from Privas (twin town in France)
- 19th March- Mass for the Feast of St Joseph
- 21st March-Science Presentation for all children.
- 31st March/April 2nd- Parents Evenings
- 4th April-School finishes for Easter 3.15 p.m.



Healthy Schools