



St. Joseph's Journal

Free! Friday, 12th May 2023

16th Edition

National Curriculum Tests

It has been a very busy week for all our children in Year 6. This week our 10 and 11 year old pupils joined Year 6 children up and down the country in sitting the National Curriculum Tests. SATs are standardised assessment tests administered by primary schools in England to children in Year 2 and Year 6. In Year 6, SATs are a more formal process of testing, and children sit KS2 SATs 2023 in: English Reading, English Grammar, Punctuation, Spelling and Maths. Year 2 SATs are less formal and administered in small groups over the next few weeks before half term. Attendance is vital at all times but particularly over the next two weeks for our year 2 cohort and during the year 1 Phonics Screening, w/c 12th June. We are immensely proud of all the children for all their hard work this year and the brilliant teaching staff who have helped prepare the children for this week. Thank you too, mums and dads for working with us to support them and taking the worry away. Year 6 have been a credit to you for their mature attitude and calm approach this week. Thank you to our Yr 6 team and Go!Catering who provided all our Year 6 pupils with breakfast this week. The bacon butties were rather popular this morning! It is important to recognise that this is just an assessment of how well children have performed in a 40-minute test. It does not recognise every aspect of the educational progress they have made since joining St Joseph's. We pride ourselves on our holistic provision for each and every child whilst maintaining our exceptionally high standards. We have a broad, balanced and enriching curriculum that includes excellent facilities like our Forest School, digital technology, sports and the arts to highlight just a few. We are delighted with the progress of each and every child in Year 6. No homework this week, just relax and enjoy some family time. Well done everyone! #teamyar6

May Procession

Despite the rather soggy conditions this afternoon, preventing us from doing our full May Procession, we were still able to celebrate and honour Mary, mother of God, as "the Queen of May".



Positive Behaviour Workshop

A reminder that the Positive Behaviour workshop for parents for us to share the new Positive Behaviour policy with you is on Wednesday, 24th May at 1.45pm.

Fortnightly Attendance

St A	93%	St B	94%	St C	98%	St D	95%	St E	96%
St F	97%	St Gen	97%	St Geo	96%	St H	97%	St J	97%
St M	95%	St P	95%	St T	99%	St X	98%		

CELEBRATING
15
Years

Alegria Spanish Dance Academy

Flamenco Show & Family Fun

(Sponsored by Haywards Heath Town Council and the Orchards Shopping Centre)

Come and join us in our 15th year celebration

2:30pm - 4:30pm
(doors open at 2pm)
20th May 2023

St Josephs School Haywards Heath

Tickets £5 - on sale now in classes or via the school office

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Medicines in School

If we hold medication in school for your child, please remember that it is your responsibility to check expiry dates with the school office. **Particularly Epipens and asthma inhalers. If your child requires antibiotics or any other medication, we can only administer if your child requires it 4 times or more in a school day. All medication MUST come to the school office in its box with the information leaflet enclosed.**



NUTS & SESAME



Please remember we have a NO nut or Sesame policy in school. This includes sandwich fillings such as Nutella / Peanut Butter and dips such as hummus. We have several children with severe nut and sesame allergies who are at risk of anaphylactic shock.

Polite Reminder

A polite reminder of the following:

- * No extreme haircuts or hair dye
- * Long hair must be tied back. Hair accessories should be black, white or royal blue.
- * Children can only wear a watch and small plain **earring studs (in pierced ears)**. No other jewellery is allowed, for safety reasons.
- * No make-up, no nail polish and no transfer tattoos.

Foodbank

We are very aware that many families are currently under considerable financial pressure and it isn't always easy to ask for help. We have a very good relationship with the local Foodbank team. If there are any families within the school community who would benefit from a Foodbank delivery, please speak to a member of the school office team in the strictest confidence and we can arrange this for you. **Please do get in touch.**



King's Coronation

Huge thanks to Friends of School (FOS), for coming in last Thursday and decorating the hall, they did a fantastic job — it really was fit for a King!! The children had a lovely day and there were some very regal crowns on display - thank you to parents as always for helping the children to make them and for contributing to this FOS fundraiser.



ALL Absences MUST Be Reported

Please can we remind parents that **all absence, whether for illness or medical appointments or any other reason, should be reported to the school via Studybugs.** Studybugs is a free app and all reported absence goes directly into the register and keeps class teachers informed of the reason for your child's absence. We have a legal duty to ascertain the whereabouts of all children. By reporting all absences, it prevents office staff from having to ring and email parents to find out the reason for them not being at school and avoids unnecessary home visits. Please remember to report absences daily, your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.



Summer Term Diary Dates

DATES TO REMEMBER

May

15th-19th May - KS1 Assessment Week

17th May - St Joan Class Assembly, 9am

18th May - Ascension Day Mass

22nd-26th May - Fairthorne Manor Residential - Year 6

23rd May - Final Day to order class photos

24th May - St David Class Assembly, 9am

24th May - Positive Behaviour Workshop, 1.45pm

26th May - FOS Cake Sale, St E, St Gen & St J to contribute please

29th May - 2nd Jun - Half Term

June

5th Jun - Back to school

7th Jun - St George Class Assembly, 9am

9th Jun - FOS Talent Show

w/c 12th Jun - Phonics Screening

14th Jun - St Genevieve Class Assembly, 9am

14th Jun - Parent Consultations, Y1-Y6, 3.30-6pm

16th Jun - FOS Non-Uniform - Tombola Donations

19th Jun - Open Learning Day, 9-10am / 1.45-2.45pm

21st Jun - St Patrick Class Assembly, 9am

21st Jun - Parent Consultations, Y1-Y6, 3.30-6pm

26th Jun - Inset Day

28th Jun - St Andrew & St Bernadette Class Assembly, 9am

28th Jun - New Parents Reception Evening - Sept starters, 5.45pm

29th Jun - St Peter & St Paul Mass

July

1st Jul - Summer Fair, 12-3pm

6th Jul - Sports Day, EYFS & KS1 am

7th Jul - Sports Day, KS2 am

10th Jul - Reports out (year R only)

10th Jul - Year 6 Production, evening performance

11th Jul - Year 6 Production, afternoon performance

Please note all dates and events are subject to change.

Dates are also available to view on the St Joseph's website calendar.