St. Joseph's Journal

Free! Friday, 30th June 2023

19th Edition

Bollywood Comes to St Joseph's!!

WOW! We had an absolutely fantastic day last Tuesday, when we were lucky enough to have K'z Dance Entertainment come to St Joseph's and work with the children. They spent the morning learning about the festival of Holi (The festival of spring and colour). In the afternoon, we came together as a school and showed off some fantastic dancing routines that they had learnt. It was wonderful to see the children, parents and staff really getting into the spirit of the day. This was all part of our International Week, where we explored geographical features from around the world as part of our humanities topic. We always aim to authentically reflect the diversity of our school and we welcomed several parents / grandparents into school, to share their skills and experiences with us - thank you for your support.



Mrs Ashworth Charity Fundraiser

Next weekend, I will be competing in the Ironbourne half ironman distance triathlon for the children's charity, Chestnut Tree House. This involves a 2km swim in the sea, 80km bike ride over Beachy Head and a half marathon. I have been training for many months to do this and am feeling more nervous as the time approaches! If you would like to sponsor me for the big race, I would be extremely grateful, please click on the link below. Joanna Ashworth is fundraising for Chestnut Tree House Children's Hospice (justgiving.com)

Thank you so much for your support Mrs Ashworth

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



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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.



Calling All Budding Cellists



Thank you to our budding cellists who entertained us last week in assembly. Cello lessons are available at St Joseph's with Mr Merrick,

he will be starting new beginner cello groups in September. If you would like your child to start the cello or would like your child to have a free

taster lesson please contact Mr Merrick direct for further information: <u>ethanmerrick@msn.com</u>. This is ideally suited for pupils in year 3 and above.





Violin Lessons —Yr 3 Onwards

Mrs Danagher played to the children at school this week. Please ask your child about what they heard and if they too would like to play the violin. For further details please email Deirdre Danagher, West Sussex Music Associate Tutor—<u>deirdredanaghermusic@gmail.com</u>

St Patrick Class Assembly

St Patrick's performed a fantastic class assembly about reflectiveness. They shared their journey throughout year 5 and how they've grown as young people and performed their stations of the cross dance. The whole of St Joseph's community were extremely moved. Thank you to Mrs Watson, Mrs Fingerneissl and Mrs H-A for helping the children pull it all together.



St Andrew & St Bernadette Class Assembly

St Andrew & St Bernadette set the bar extremely high at their class assembly this week, talking about ALL of our St Joseph's Learning Values. They all spoke beautifully, confidently and made all of the staff in EYFS extremely proud - well done, you are truly fabulous. Thank you to Mrs Dewdney, Miss Hooper, Miss Ismael, Miss Kuberska, Mrs Mullen, Mrs Nash and Mrs Ryan for supporting the children.



Fruit Co-Ordinator Needed

After many years of coordinating the fruit rota, Mairead will be stepping down from this role at the end of the school year, we are very grateful for all her hard work. Without her help and that of the other volunteers who help wash and distribute



the fruit, we would need to stop the provision of fruit for our EYFS and KS1 children. We are therefore looking for a volunteer or several volunteers, to take on this role. It involves coordinating our wonderful volunteers, to ensure distribution of fruit to classes, once it has been delivered. If you would be able to take on this voluntary role. Please get in touch with the school office—thank you.



Summer Term Diary Dates



July

1st Jul - Summer Fair, 12-3pm 4th Jul - Open Learning Day, 9-10am / 1.45-2.45pm 6th Jul - Sports Day, EYFS & KS1 am 10th Jul - Reports out (year R only) 10th Jul - Year 6 Production, evening performance - 5.45pm 11th Jul - Year 6 Production, afternoon performance - 1pm 12th Jul - St Christopher Class Assembly - **Date Change** 12th Jul - Year 6 Production, evening performance - 5.45pm 13th Jul - Year 6 Production, evening performance - 5.45pm 13th Jul - KS2 Sports Day 14th Jul - FOS, End of Year Disco 17th Jul - Whole School Transition Afternoon & New YR Storytime 18th Jul - Leavers' Mass, 2pm 18th Jul - Y6 Leavers' Party, 3.30pm 20th Jul - Last day of Term, **1pm finish** 21st Jul - INSET DAY - School Closed

Please note all dates and events are subject to change. Dates are also available to view on the St Joseph's website calendar.