

"Let us remember the past with gratitude, live the present with enthusiasm, and look forward to the future with confidence." Pope John Paul II



St Edmund's and St Joseph's Catholic Primary Schools

St Joseph's Roman Catholic Primary School- Newsletter 1 2019

Dear Parents,

I would like to welcome both old and new parents back to Joseph's School for the start of a new school year. It is always so exciting to get back into routine, re-establish expectations and get the children back to work. We have had a fantastic start, the school is calm and purposeful and we have introduced 'smart' silent walking around the school during learning times and 'smart' silent lining up at the end of play times. This has led to fast and efficient movement in and around the school, so maximising learning time.

We have elected the new house captains and the children appear to relish the new responsibilities and recognise that they are important role models to the younger children in school.

The new reception class have settled in so quickly and integrated into school, attending assemblies and playing alongside the other classes at playtimes.

There is an important parent's meeting on Tuesday 24th September in the school hall at 7.00pm. It will start with an address from our Executive Head; Mrs Kemble and then there will be presentations from your child's class teachers in their classrooms. The teachers will go over routines and expectations. There will be the opportunity to ask questions at the end. I look forward to another successful year and thank you all for your support and encouragement.

Mrs Price

Faith Life

Tuesday 24th September will be our first school Mass celebrating the start of the school year at 9.30am in the school hall.

Parents, carers and parishioners welcome.

Father Brett would like to invite all parents and children to attend Sunday Mass in the Parish.

The times for the Sunday Parish Mass services at Our Lady and St John on the Croft CO10 1HW are:

Saturday evening 5pm
Sunday morning 9.15am

Father Brett is very eager to have some more volunteers to altar serve. If you are interested, please inform Mrs Price.

Masses this term

- 15th October KS2 Mass in Church 9.30am
- 5th November 9.30am Mass in school
- 19th November 9.30am Mass in Church
- 3rd December 9.30am Mass to mark the start of Advent in school 9.30am
- 17th December 9.30 am Christmas Mass in school

Parents, carers and parishioners are all invited to come along and join us for Mass and to stay for refreshments afterwards provided by the school PTA.

Father Brett needs more parent volunteers to help with children's liturgy at 9.15am Sunday Mass. Please contact Mrs Price for more information.

Parents Curriculum Evening 24th September starting in the school hall at 7pm and then Class Teachers' presentations in classrooms.

Congratulations to the children who will be leading their Houses this year!

This year's House Captains are:

Blake

Turner

Constable

Gainsborough



Oliver and Daisy-

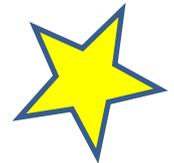
Helena and Molly

Katie and Kieron

Delfina and Luis

This year's school councillors voted for by the children in their class:

Noah	Grace and Benjamin
Moses	Priya and Caimon
Elijah	Elsie and Taylor
Abraham	Fabrienne and Billy
Solomon	Frank and Brea
Samson	Bella and Maxwell



School Councillors- We will be launching a project with the help of one of our parents. Charlie Barker's Mother has had the wonderful idea of encouraging the children to be more environmentally aware and to collect points for their environmental award scheme.



Mini Vinnies will launch again week beginning 23rd September

The Mini Vinnies group meet every Monday lunchtime and we listen to the week's scripture and discuss ways we can put the word of Jesus into action in our everyday lives. The children have visited the elderly, collected money for local and national charities, made gifts and prayed for people in need. All KS 2 children are invited to join.

Sporting News

Congratulation to the whole school and especially to Mr Leighton-Scott for leading us to the PLATINUM AWARD for sport. The children and Mr LS always represent our school with passion, commitment and sportsmanship and this has led us to many sporting county finals and two regional finals last academic year. To get the award Mr LS had to achieve gold award for four consecutive years ensure that there was participation in a range of events, we have links with outside clubs and the correct curriculum provision.



Friday October 4th all things Harvest!

The children are encouraged to come into school wearing something bright and pay £1 and 50p for siblings, this money will be sent to Cafod to support communities overseas that are in dire poverty and rely on our help and generosity. We will also be starting a HOUSE collection on that day for dry and tinned goods for the Sudbury foodbank. The House collection boxes will be in the hall from 4th October to the 11th October. Each year we have collected a substantial amount of foodstuffs for the foodbank the demand for the service keeps on growing. For more information, use the link below.

*We are collecting
Aldi stickers.*





Our year 5 children joined all the other year 5s from across the Diocese for a very special Mass at the Catholic Cathedral in Norwich on Friday. The children listen to the Bishop tell them about the importance of reading and listening to the word of God through the Bible. After Mass all, the children were given a snack bag to have a picnic in the Cathedral gardens. Pictured carrying our school banner is Jolie and Flora and Michaela is carrying our school lectionary, which we read from every Monday during assembly. Tilly -Rose collected our resource pack at the end of the Mass, which we brought back to school to use in our lessons.



The children in Moses Class have been learning the story of the 'Enormous Turnip' and have been using the book as a starting point to do other cross- curricular activities. Pictured- Arya, Priya and Izabella all trying some turnip.

Congratulations to Mr and Mrs Villalgordo on the birth of their beautiful baby boy named Oscar.

Drop- in Dates

Class	Dates	Theme
Noah	3rd October 9.00am	Phonics
	5 th November 9.00am	Maths
Moses	17 th October 9.00am	Maths
	12 th December 9.00am	English
Elijah	1 st October 9-9.30 am	Maths
	31 st October 2.30-3.00pm	Maths
Abraham	16 th October 9.15-9.45 am	Maths arithmetic strategies
	30 th October 10.45 am	English- spelling shed
Solomon	29 th October 9.00am	Accelerated reader
	15 th October 10.45am	Spelling shed
Samson	8 th October 9.00am	Calculations
	19 th October 9.00am	Spelling strategies

Diary dates

- 24th September-9.30am Mass in School and Parents welcome evening
- 4th October Harvest CAFOD DAY Wear something Bright £1 and 50p siblings
- 4th- October 11th October: Dry food and tin collections for Houses. Boxes in the hall.
- 4th October- CLASS HARVEST ASSEMBLY 2.30 pm Parents and Carers welcome
- **Half- Term 21st – 25th October 2019**
- 8th November Dr Rawlings - Healthy Living Workshop 1.15pm- 3.15pm KS2 children and parents in school hall
- 16th December EYFS & KS1 Dress rehearsal
- 17th December 2.00pm EYFS & KS1 Production
- 18th December 6.00pm EYFS and KS1 Production
- 20th December 2.15pm KS2 Christmas Concert
- **Christmas Holidays- Monday 23rd December -Tuesday 7th January 2020**