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St Joseph's Catholic School Newsletter

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From Miss Jones



This term has flown by! We have had a very busy summer term at St Joseph's and we have lots to celebrate and be thankful for. 'Health Week' was a huge success. Miss McCarthy worked so hard to ensure that all of the classes had exciting activities to participate in, and the children have spoken very highly of it! On Monday, we had the Sports Project in school, co-ordinating team games with the children. In addition, all year groups had a football session with Mr Jordan which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Tuesday was Sports Day. The children worked within their classes and completed a range of challenges and races, adding up the scores throughout the day. A huge congratulations to **FALCONS** who were the winners for this year! Well done to all of the children who took part - we are so proud of you all. It warmed our hearts to see the children cheering and encouraging each other along throughout the day. The rest of the week was filled with a range of other opportunities such as the whole school picnic, Sports for Schools with Jack Rutter, Ballet and French with Mrs Lai, a KS1 visit from the 'tooth fairy', ending the week on Friday learning all about our mental health and how we can look after it. Thank you so much to all of the additional adult support we had for the sessions!

Transition afternoon was a real success! The children were given the opportunity to meet their new class teacher - some through the TEAMS platform! They continue to adapt during these times and we are all incredibly proud of them.

It has been a very busy week for our Year 6 children. They have worked so hard to produce a fantastic show for us all to enjoy - they all have huge smiles and have shown such enthusiasm in making this performance one to remember! Thank you to Sarah for yet another successful performance! The rest of the children will be able to watch the performance next week and the Year 6's will be able to bring their DVD home after. We also look forward to the Year 6 camp over on Thursday. The tents are up and are ready to go! We know that this will be very exciting and a memorable way to finish their time here at St Joseph's.

We say goodbye to Mrs Knight and Mrs Ferris who will be leaving us at the end of the term. Mrs Knight has always ensured the smooth running of lunchtimes for many years. Mrs Ferris has had a positive impact on the children's progress throughout the years. We wish them all the best in the future and their new roles. Also, we are delighted to announce that Mrs Hamlin has completed her training and wishes to continue her professional development at St Joseph's next year.

Finally, with the relaxation in rules announced by the Government with effect from 19th July 2021, primary schools have been advised to continue with current restrictions until the end of term as COVID infections continue to increase in the local area. Although no longer mandatory, to help keep our community as safe as possible before we break up, it would be appreciated if parents would continue to wear facemasks and observe social distancing at drop off and collection times next week.

All of our families will be in our thoughts throughout the summer holidays. However, should you need a little guidance and support during this time, please see the 'Well-being and Pastoral care' page under 'Parents' on our school website. I hope you have a wonderful and restful break and we look forward to seeing you all in September.

In Your Prayers

Dear God,

I pray that you will continue to protect those who are sick and poorly, especially Mrs Howells. Please heal them all and make them feel better. Thank you Lord.

Amen

By Rosalie



Class News!



St Mary	Julia - I like playing with the stickle bricks. I made a restaurant. Elliot - I like playing with the Lego and making a police boat.
St Joseph	Isabelle - I have been enjoying Maths because it has been really fun! Olive - I enjoyed literacy because we are learning about the story 'We're going on a Bear Hunt'!
St Peter	James - I have really liked maths this week because we have been telling the time. I do find this tricky but I love it! Isla H - This week has been great because I have loved having a new teacher and I've enjoyed the challenge of learning to tell the time.
St Patrick	Orla - I have enjoyed Maths because I like learning about different charts like Pictograms and Bar Charts. I have also enjoyed God Matters because we wrote a script about Jesus feeding the five thousand. Theo - Maths this has been fun because I like doing Bar Charts.
St George	Xavier - I enjoyed the maths this week and I like playing with my friends on the school field. Emily - I liked writing about sports day and I enjoy learning about the digestive system in science.
St Teresa	Amelia - I have really enjoyed my RHE lessons, which have given me important life lessons that will help me as I go on. In maths we have been learning how to convert different measurements which has been a lot of fun for me. Inca - I really enjoyed seeing Jack Rutter and doing exercises with him, as it is good for our mental health as well as our general health. I am enjoying doing our retell literacy as I need to use my memory to make sure I get that right.
St David	Claudia - I've enjoyed watching the play rehearsals as an audience member because it looks very good! My favourite song is One More Angel in Heaven! Amelia - I've recently loved sports day and writing about the Power of Yet during 'Health Week'! One thing I cannot YET do, but want to learn by next year is a back walk over!

eSchools —school correspondence is now being sent via the eSchools app. If you have not downloaded the app please check the school website regularly for updates and current information. If you need a reminder of the e-Schools login details or have any questions please email the Admin Team at admin@st-josephs.gloucs.sch.uk. Thank you.

SCHOOL DINNERS—we hope the children are enjoying having the choice of hot school dinners, the smell from the kitchen is very tempting! Can we remind parents/carers to keep their child/ren's Parentpay dinner accounts topped up—there are some big balances starting to accrue. You can set up alerts from Parentpay for an alert to be sent to you to remind you when the balance is getting low. Thank you.

