



St Joachim's Primary School Newsletter

8th May 2015



Dates for your Diary



- 11th May AM Nursery @ Legoland
- 11th May **KS2 SATs Week**
- 14th May Years 5 Mixed Tennis @ Langdon
- 19th May Y1 Assembly
- 20th May Y1 & Y2 Mixed Quad Kids @ St Helen's
- 21st May PM Nursery to Legoland
- 22nd May **Class Photograph and Whole School Photograph**
- 25th May to 29th May- Half Term - School Closed
- 1st Jun Pupils Return - 9:00-9:15 Topic Information
- 1st Jun Y5 Bike Ability Week
- 3rd Jun Y1 @ Cutty Sark -Thames Workshop
- 4th Jun **FOV @ Hackney Empire - Y4**
- 5th Jun Y5 @ Docklands Museum
- 9th Jun Y5 & Y6 Quad Kids @ HUB
- 9th Jun 3:30pm **FOSJA Meeting**
- 10th Jun Paris Trip
- 10th Jun Y5 & Y6 Mixed Handball @ Elmhurst
- 10th Jun 2:30 & 5:30pm-Geography Parent Workshops
- 11th Jun Y6 Thames Nature Reserve Trip
- 16th Jun 10:00am & 2:30pm Nursery Assembly



From the Headteacher



Dear Parents and Friends,

Whilst the nation went to the polls St. Joachim's went to the St. John Bosco Camp. It was a day where we did totally fulfil our mission statement. There was plenty of playing and praying, loving and learning. We were very blessed with the weather, not too hot, not too cold and no rain. It was a great day for the children to bond whilst at the same time work together. It was great also that we had a very good number of parents that came along to support us. Thank you to everyone for making it a very special day.

Last week we had our whole school maths project, the children had a great time applying their multiplication and division skills to real life problems, on Friday all the children took part in an activity day and many of the children have contributed wonderful competition entries.

Next week our Year 6 children will be taking their SATs test, they have spent many months preparing for them including attending early morning booster sessions from 8am Monday to Thursday. We wish the children all the best in the coming week.

Mr Allen



Miss Wilson and Mini Vinnies would like to say a big thank you to all the pupils, parents and staff for their sponsorship and support. They raised a fantastic £2,910!

Nursery Admissions - September 2015

If your child is 3 years old or will be 3 years before 31st December 2015 you need to complete an application form. Please collect a form from the school office.

Application forms must be submitted by 31st May 2015.

Termly Punctuality and Attendance

Attendance since 16th April to 1st May 2015

Class	Attendance %	Punctuality %	Number of lates
YR	95.1	0.56	4
Y1	95.1	0.28	2
Y2	98.6	0.56	4
Y3	95.8	0.28	2
Y4	98.9	0.14	1
Y5	97.9	0.0	0
Y6	99.7	0.14	1



**Excellent attendance by Y6!!!
Excellent punctuality by Y5!!!**

Don't forget, parents, that children must be in school at 8.45am, (or even earlier if they attend one of our morning clubs).

Maths Week

This week, every class has been learning about multiplication and division and have been applying their knowledge to solve problems. On Friday we had a fantastic practical maths day where all the children had the opportunity to work as a team to solve problems. The classes enjoyed working in teams to solve a variety of puzzles and problems. Miss Wilson would like to thank all the children that worked hard to produce excellent competition entries.



Citizenship Award

Cheron Kyeremeh has been chosen by the staff as the citizen of the year at St Joachim's because of her outstanding contribution to our school. Throughout the year she has worked diligently and conscientiously, and always with an excellent attitude. Cheron is a very caring and responsible pupil. Through her role as prefect she has repeatedly demonstrated excellent attributes as a wonderful citizen.



Whole School Science Day



Thursday the 8th of May was science day at St John's camp for reception to year 5. Each class participated in science-based field work around the meadow, woodland and river. The children carried out a range of activities; year 3 used magnifying glasses and a key to find different plants and observe how they pollenate. Year 1 and 2 were looking in different habitats to see which mini-beasts lived there, under the log seemed to be a popular place for them to live! We thought it might be because it was dark, warm and safe. The weather was fantastic and the children loved carrying out their investigations out in the open. A huge thank you to all of the children, parents and teachers who made the day such a success!



Y2 @ Stratford Pizza Workshop

As part of their Design and Technology unit year 2 took part in a pizza making workshop this week. The children visited a working restaurant kitchen and fridge. Afterwards, they had to mould their dough into a perfect circle or their own pizza base. We had lots of fun adding the toppings, handling the dough and taking the pizzas home to eat!



Brentwood Catholic Children's Society

The Brentwood Catholic Children's Society is hosting an evening of classical music in the beautiful surroundings of Ingatestone Hall on Saturday 23rd May at 7.30pm. Come and enjoy an exciting and varied programme with three professional musicians all with local ties. Tickets are £22 and include wine and nibbles. For tickets or further information, please call Amy Pether on 01268 784544 or email apether@bccs.org.uk

Sports News



Upcoming Events:

14th May - Years 5 Mixed Tennis @ Langdon
10th June Mixed Handball @ Elmhurst
26th June Sports Day



"On Wednesday 29th April, 10 of our boys from Years 3 and 4 took part in a Handball competition. The boys showed a great team spirit, attitude and worked very hard to progress to the semi-finals. Overall, the boys finished third out of twelve schools and won six of their eight matches.



St. John Bosco Children's Camp 2015

Once again this is a summer holiday camp for children which take place in Essex. Boys can go from 8-14 years old and for girls 9-12. The camp runs Saturday to Saturday. The camp provides the children with a massive range of activities such as archery, basketball, football, swimming, fishing etc. Both Mr. Allen and Mr. Bennett attend the camp and have done so for many years.

If you are interested in finding out more and want more information or an application form then contact Mr. Allen or Mr Bennett in school. Camp Dates:

Boys camp	One week only
Week 1	25 th July to 1st August
Week 2	1 st August to 8 th August
Girls Camp	8 th August to 15 th August

